

Agreement on the Conservation of Albatrosses and Petrels

REPORT OF THE SECOND SESSION OF THE MEETING OF THE PARTIES

Christchurch, New Zealand
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Excerpt:

Annex 5

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Resolution 2.5

Proposal to amend Annex 1 of the Agreement

Noting the recommendations of the Advisory Committee which endorsed the conclusions of its Taxonomy Working Group;

Noting also available data do not warrant the recognition of the Antipodean Albatross (*Diomedea antipodensis*) and Gibson's Albatross (*Diomedea gibsoni*) at the specific level;

Noting also available data do not warrant the recognition of the Buller's Albatross (*Thalassarche bulleri*) and Pacific Albatross (*Thalassarche nov. sp. (platei)*) at the specific level; and

Noting also available data warrant the recognition of Shy Albatross (*Thalassarche cauta*) and White-capped Albatross (*Thalassarche steadi*) as divergent and diagnosable species;

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Agrees:

1. in accordance with Article XII(5), to amend Annex 1 of the Agreement as set out in Appendix A.

Appendix A

Annex 1. Albatross and Petrel Species to which the Agreement will apply.

Albatrosses (19 species)

Diomedea exulans
Diomedea dabbenena
Diomedea antipodensis
Diomedea amsterdamensis
Diomedea epomophora
Diomedea sanfordi
Phoebastria irrorata
Thalassarche cauta
Thalassarche steadi
Thalassarche salvini
Thalassarche eremita
Thalassarche bulleri
Thalassarche chrysostoma
Thalassarche melanophrys
Thalassarche impavida
Thalassarche carteri
Thalassarche chlororhynchos
Phoebetria fusca
Phoebetria palpebrata

Petrels (7 species)

Macronectes giganteus
Macronectes halli
Procellaria aequinoctialis
Procellaria conspicillata
Procellaria parkinsoni
Procellaria westlandica
Procellaria cinerea