

INTERNATIONAL UNION FOR CONSERVATION OF NATURE

83rd Meeting of the Bureau of the IUCN Council Teleconference, March 2020

DECISIONS

Postponement of the IUCN Congress

Decision B83/I

The Bureau of the IUCN Council, **Recommends** to Council to approve the following decision:

The IUCN Council,

On the recommendation of the Bureau to postpone the Congress in consideration of the rapidly evolving crisis caused by Covid-19, and its impact on the organisation of the IUCN World Conservation Congress 2020 scheduled for 11-19 June 2020,

Requests the Secretariat to:

- 1. discuss with the French Government to postpone the IUCN Congress until a later date that will allow all IUCN Members and partners to participate;
- report back to the President and the Chair of CPC in order to agree the text of a joint communication by IUCN and the French Government about the postponement;
- 3. report the results to the Congress Preparatory Committee which shall make a recommendation to Council of a new date and other aspects of holding the Congress at a later date.