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ACTIVITY REPORT

Activity Place, date, type	CIC MBC Input	Main achievements	Further information
Belgrade, May 2007 <i>CIC General Assembly.</i>	Meeting.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Gathering 50+ participants. Update and report on MBC activities. Special focus on non-toxic shot. Preparation of and approval of recommendation on non-toxic shot. 	Written report and minutes. CIC newsletter. CIC web.
Amman 11-14 May 2007 <i>Workshop on sustainable hunting and management in MTC.</i>	Attendance, presentation and demonstration.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Highlighting CIC profile to 50 participants. Information on sustainable use practices. Detailed information on non-toxic shot and importance of phase out of lead shot. Networking and partnership established. 	CIC newsletter and web. Conclusions.
Siberia Expedition May – September 2007+ <i>Research projects in Chukotka and other parts of Siberia.</i>	Financial and technical support to research.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Inventory and monitoring of globally threatened species. Subsistence hunting surveys of indigenous peoples of Chukotka and studies of traditional knowledge of indigenous hunters and linking it to the development of principles for sustainable use. 	Later 2007 and GA 2008.
May 2007-April 2008 <i>AEWA Technical Committee membership</i>	Input.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> AEWA strategic plan developed. Consultation on criteria for setting up Single Species Action Plans. CIC input concerning waterbirds and global warming. AEWA non-toxic shot program supported. Preparation of 2008 meetings (TC #8 and MOP #4). 	Docs available.
Aviemore, Scotland 24 – 26 June 2007. <i>2nd Workshop on Avian Influenza, Task Force meeting.</i>	Attendance.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Evaluation of practical lessons learnt about avian influenza. Update on practical instructions to hunters and others. 	CIC newsletter and web.
31 July 2007. <i>9th Telephone conference Avian Influenza Task Force.</i>	Attendance.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Update on avian influenza situation before Autumn migration. Preparation of 2nd brochure. Coordination with US activities. 	Minutes, CIC web.
Oslo, 29 August 2007 <i>Nordic Hunters' Co-operation Board Meeting.</i>	Attendance, reporting.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Support to program, mainly non-toxic shot project. 	Minutes.
August 2007 – April 2008.	Non-toxic shot priority – development of project.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Screening of literature. First project idea flyer ready. First draft of project document in consultation. Scientific network established. Networking in North America. Funding initiated. 	CIC newsletters. Flyer available.
August 2007 – April 2008.	Future consolidation of the Commission	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Preparation of elections 2008. Migratory Birds integration in future CIC structure. 	Correspondence available.

Wageningen, 17 October 2007 <i>Wetlands International 4th WIGWAG meeting.</i>	Advise.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Optimizing WI waterbirds population estimate work and databases. • Support WI waterbird conservation program. • Status of avian influenza. • Briefing on non-toxic shot project. 	Minutes <i>in prep.</i>
Oregon, US, Toronto, Canada, 23 November – 3 December 2007 <i>Non-toxic shot fact finding.</i>	Attendance, meetings, research assistance.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Partnership/cooperation with CONSEP (US Shooting Education Program) and Prof. Vernon Thomas (Guelph University). • Setup of research program and action plan concerning non-toxic shot. • General networking and promotion of CIC. 	CIC newsletter.
7 December 2007. <i>10th Telephone conference Avian Influenza Task Force.</i>	Attendance.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Update on avian influenza situation. • Institutional setup of TF. • 2nd draft brochure decided. • Research and monitoring programs – hunters' role. 	Minutes available.
Budapest, 2 February 2008 <i>CIC EC#1 2008</i>	Attendance and report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Road map for lead shot process discussed. • Consolidation of the Migratory Birds work in the future CIC structure. • Preparation of CIC GA #55. 	
Bonn, 2 – 5 March 2008 <i>AEWA TC#8</i>	Attendance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Update on all AEWA Technical matters. Of special CIC interest: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Listing in Action Plan table 1. • Lead shot • Hunting and trade • Single species actions plans • Avian Influenza. • Preparation of MOP #4 is September 2008. 	Report notes available. All background papers can be found online on: www.unep-aewa.org (under meetings: Technical Committee).

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