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### World Migratory Bird Day 2016

The International Council for Game and Wildlife Conservation wishes to thank the Convention on the Conservation of Migratory Species of Wild Animals (CMS) and the Agreement on the Conservation of African-Eurasian Migratory Waterbirds (AEWA) for organizing the World Migratory Bird Day. The International Council for Game and Wildlife Conservation, as the global platform of the hunting community, supports this campaign to raise awareness about the threats endangering migratory birds from poaching and wildlife trafficking, to pollution and other obstacles. This initiative is the most effective way not only to inform the public about the conservation of migratory birds and their habitat, but to highlight the need to protect them, and to enlighten the world on environmental issues and other threats these precious birds are facing nowadays. To this

day, migratory birds play an important role in the CIC's work, and a session dedicated to Migratory Birds was held at the 63rd General Assembly of the CIC this year.

It is well known that well-regulated, sustainable hunting is an important component of conservation, since it includes demonstrable actions against illegal killing, taking, and trade of migratory birds. Therefore, combatting wildlife crime is one of the four strategic initiatives of the CIC.

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