



Agreement on the Conservation of Albatrosses and Petrels

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Title: Proposal to Amend Annex 1 of the Agreement on the Conservation of Albatrosses and Petrels (ACAP)

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Dear Warren

Re: Proposal to Amend Annex 1 of the Agreement on the Conservation of Albatrosses and Petrels (ACAP)

Further to the recommendations made at the 4th meeting of the ACAP Advisory Committee, the United Kingdom wishes to formally propose the addition of three species of Albatross to Annex 1 of the Agreement and also to amend the current spelling of *Thalassarche melanophrys* with *Thalassarche melanophris* therein.

In accordance with Article XII of the Agreement the United Kingdom makes the attached proposals for consideration at the 3rd Meeting of the Parties (MoP3) in Bergen next April.

To assist Parties to consider the proposed listing the United Kingdom would be grateful if the Secretariat would circulate the following additional documents for information (as INF docs) to MoP3.

- Document 18 considered by AC4 which gave the full rationale for the additional 3 species listings on the Annex to the Agreement; and

- Case 3449 on the International Commission on Zoological Nomenclature, and any resultant documents. This document covers the discussion on the correct spelling of *T.melanophris*.

We understand that Australia may wish to co-sponsor or support this proposal, and for that reason this letter has been copied to them

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Trevor Salmon". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Trevor Salmon

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DRAFT RESOLUTION

AGREEMENT ON THE CONSERVATION OF ALBATROSSES AND PETRELS

Resolution 3.x

Proposal to amend Annex 1 of the Agreement on the Conservation of Albatrosses and Petrels

United Kingdom

Recalling the recognition of the Parties that Northern Hemisphere albatrosses and petrels may benefit from incorporation into this Agreement with a view to promoting co-ordinated conservation actions between Range States;

Conscious of domestic and international efforts to address the conservation concerns of Northern Hemisphere albatrosses and petrels;

Noting the recommendation of the Advisory Committee that three North Pacific species of albatross, the Short-tailed Albatross (*Phoebastria albatrus*), the Laysan Albatross (*Phoebastria immutabilis*) and the Black-footed Albatross (*Phoebastria nigripes*) should be added to Annex 1 of the Agreement;

Noting also the proposal of the International Commission on Zoological Nomenclature that *Thalassarche melanophrys* is the appropriate spelling for the Black-browed Albatross;

The Meeting of the Parties to the Agreement on the Conservation of Albatrosses and Petrels

Agrees:

In accordance with Article XII(5) of the Agreement, to adopt the following amendments to Annex 1 of the Agreement on the Conservation of Albatrosses and Petrels:

1. The following shall be added to the list of species of albatrosses:

Phoebastria albatrus

Phoebastria immutabilis

Phoebastria nigripes

2. In the list of albatrosses, *Thalassarche melanophrys* shall be replaced by *Thalassarche melanophrys*.