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Environment of the Caspian Sea**

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Conference of the Parties

**PLACE AND DATE OF THE THIRD MEETING OF THE CONFERENCE OF THE
PARTIES TO THE FRAMEWORK CONVENTION FOR THE PROTECTION OF
THE MARINE ENVIRONMENT OF THE CASPIAN SEA**

(Note by the interim Secretariat)

1. Reference is made to the to the Framework Convention for the Protection of the Marine Environment of the Caspian Sea, Section IV “Institutional Arrangements”, article 22 “The Conference of the Parties” and the Rules of Procedure for the Conference of the Parties, section “Place of the Meetings”, Rule 3, and section “Dates of Meetings”, Rule 4.
2. In accordance with the above, the second Meeting of the Conference of the Parties shall consider and decide on the place and date of its third meeting.
3. Article 22.5 of the Tehran Convention and Rule 3 of the Rules of Procedure stipulate that the ordinary meetings of the Conference of the Parties “shall be held in the territories of the countries of the Contracting Parties on the basis of rotation in alphabetical order of English language or at the location of the Secretariat”. Rule 4 states that ordinary meetings shall be held on an annual basis but that the Conference of Parties “may at any time review the periodicity of its ordinary meetings”.
4. During the Preparatory Meeting for the second Meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Tehran Convention (8-10 September 08, Almaty, Republic of Kazakhstan), the Republic of Kazakhstan expressed its interest to host the third Meeting of the Conference of the Parties in 2010.

5. Following this invitation and in line with the above provisions the second Meeting of the Conference of the Parties is invited to decide that the third Meeting of the Conference of the Parties will take place in 2010 in the Republic of Kazakhstan.