

Agenda Item 12

Thanks to the Host Country

The Council is invited to:

1. Express its appreciation to the Government of the People's Republic of China, as the Host Country, for its contribution to the successful convening of this meeting;
2. Adopt *Thanks to the Host Country, the People's Republic of China*.

Note

1. The 1st Meeting of the Council of the IMC was held in Shenzhen, China. As the Host Country, the Government of the People's Republic of China provided comprehensive support for the preparation and convening of the meeting, ensuring its successful conduct.
2. The Government of the People's Republic of China has provided important support during the preparatory and early operational stages of the IMC, and has played a key role in advancing the IMC towards formal operation. In recognition of China's contribution to the development of the IMC and to the successful convening of this meeting, the Council is invited to adopt *Thanks to the Host Country, the People's Republic of China*.

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1. The Council highly commends the Government of the People's Republic of China for its strong support during the preparation, establishment and early operation of the International Mangrove Center (IMC), and for its significant contributions to advancing the IMC from the preparatory stage to formal operation;
2. The Council commends the Government of the People's Republic of China for the comprehensive support provided in the preparation and hosting of the 1st Meeting of the Council of the IMC;
3. The Council recognizes that the successful convening of the Meeting of the Council required substantial efforts across multiple areas;
4. The Council notes that, thanks to China's meticulous preparations and strong support, the meeting successfully completed all agenda items, adopted a series of important institutional documents and made a number of decisions, laying a solid foundation for the formal operation and future development of the IMC;
5. The Council congratulates China on the successful hosting of the 1st Meeting of the Council of the IMC and extends its sincere appreciation. The Council also expresses its gratitude to the Municipality of Shenzhen and the local community for their important contributions to the preparation and organization of the meeting;
6. The Council further notes that, under the leadership of the Chair and Vice-Chair, the agenda progressed in an orderly manner and discussions were pragmatic and efficient;
7. The Council commends the various exchange activities conducted during the meeting, which created favourable conditions for strengthening technical exchanges among Member States, building consensus on cooperation, and enhancing mutual understanding;
8. The Council once again expresses its appreciation to the Government of the People's Republic of China for its invaluable contributions to the development of the IMC and to the successful convening of this meeting.