MEDITERRANEAN ACTION PLAN

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PROGRESS REPORT ON THE IMPLEMENTATION

OF THE DUMPING PROTOCOL
1. **INTRODUCTION**

   Detailed overview on all information transmitted by Contracting Parties since 1978 was presented (document UNEP(OCA)/MED WG.25/Inf.8) to the Joint Meeting of the Scientific and Technical Committee and the Socio-Economic Committee (Athens, 6-10 May 1991). This document contained information on a) National Reports on permits issued; b) National Reports on actual dumping; and c) competent National Authorities for issuing of dumping permits.

   Since the last Joint Committees meeting information concerning Dumping Protocol was received from France (for 1990), Monaco, Israel, Spain and Turkey. The summary of their information for 1991 is presented below.

2. **NATIONAL REPORTS ON PERMITS ISSUED FOR 1991**

   Following information concerning the year 1991 on permits issued were received from Contracting Parties to the Protocol:

   - **Israel**: Reported that permit issued in May 1990 was extended until December 1992.
   - **Monaco**: Reported that no permit was issued in 1991.
   - **Spain**: Reported that no permit was issued in 1991.
   - **Turkey**: Reported that dumping into sea of all kind of wastes, including the industrial wastes are completely banned by the Turkish environmental law.

3. **NATIONAL REPORTS ON ACTUAL DUMPING IN 1991**

   - **Israel**: Reported on dumping activities in 1991 of sludge from production of phosphoric acid (dumping area A), on industrial waste dumping (dumping area B), coal wastes (consisting of 90% fly ash and 10% bottom ash) and dumping of dredged material from Kishon Port (dumping area C).
4. COMPETENT NATIONAL AUTHORITIES FOR ISSUING OF DUMPING PERMITS

Since 1978, following information was received on competent national authorities for issuing of dumping permits:

**France**

Secrétariat d'Etat auprès du Premier Ministre
Chargé de l'environnement
14 boulevard du Général Leclerc
92524 Neuilly-sur-Seine
France

**Israel**

Ocean Dumping Permits Issue Committee
Ministry of the Environment
Marine and Coastal Environment Division
P.O. Box 6234
Jerusalem 91061
Israel

**Italy**

Ministry of Environment
Department of Pollution Prevention and Environmental Reclamation
11 Piazza Venezia
Rome
Italy

**Monaco**

Service des Relations Extérieures
Délégation Permanente auprès des Organismes internationaux
"Villa Girasole"
16 boulevard de Suisse
MC-98000 Monaco Ville
Principauté de Monaco

**Spain**

Ministerio de Obras Publicas y Transportes
Dirección General de la Marina Mercante
Subdirección Gral. de Seguridad Maritima y Contaminacion c/Ruiz de Alarcón 1
28071 Madrid
Spain

**Tunisia**

Direction générale de la Marine Marchande
Ministère du Transport
24 Avenue de la République
Tunis
Tunisie
5. CONCLUSIONS

Most of the Contracting Parties to the Dumping Protocol do not comply with the obligation to report to the secretariat about:

- issuance of dumping permits
- non-issuance of permits
- reports on actual dumping (including "nil" reports)
- competent national authorities for issuing of dumping permits.