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Meeting of the Bureau of the Contracting Parties to the
Convention for the Protection of the Mediterranean
Sea against Pollution and its Protocols

Damascus, Syria, 18-19 March 2002

PROVISIONAL AGENDA

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1. Opening of the meeting
2. Adoption of the Provisional Agenda and organization of work
3. Progress Report by the Secretariat on activities carried out since the 112th Meeting of the Contracting Parties to the Barcelona Convention (Monaco, 14-17 November 2001)

(a) Legal matters:

- Adoption and follow-up of the new "Protocol concerning Cooperation in Preventing Pollution from Ships and, in cases of Emergency, Combating Pollution of the Mediterranean Sea"
- Status of ratification of the Convention and Protocols;
- Implementation of the reporting system;
- Liability and compensation;
- MAP support to countries on legal matters;
- Monitoring system for the enforcement of MAP.

(b) Institutional matters:

- Evaluation of RAC/SPA and REMPEC;
- Follow-up of the evaluation of BP/RAC, PAP/RAC and 100 Historic Sites;
- Strategic assessment of the general framework of MAP.

(c) Cooperation:

- Preparation for the Johannesburg Summit;
- Preparation for the Euro-Mediterranean Conference

(d) Partners:

- Review of the list of partners.

(e) Financial matters

(f) Information strategy

(g) Mediterranean Commission on Sustainable Development (MCSD)

(h) Meetings:

- Review of MAP calendar of meetings.

(i) Pollution prevention and control

(i-a) Assessment and control of land-based sources of pollution

- Monitoring activities
- Implementation of the SAP as part of the LBS Protocol
- Implementation of the Dumping Protocol
- Other activities
- Implementation of the Mediterranean GEF project

(i-b) Assessment and control of sea-based pollution

(i-c) Cleaner production

(j) Special Protected Areas and Biodiversity

(k) Environment and Development

(l) Sustainable Management of Coastal Zones

4. Date and place of the next meeting of the Bureau
5. Any other business
6. Closure of the meeting

(The report of the meeting will be prepared at MEDU and will be sent for comments to the rapporteur and the other members).