MEDITERRANEAN ACTION PLAN

Meeting of the Bureau of the Contracting Parties to the Convention for the Protection of the Marine Environment and the Coastal Region of the Mediterranean and its Protocols

Cairo, 30-31 October 2006

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Introduction

At the invitation of the Government of Egypt and in consultation with the President and members of the Bureau, it was decided that the meeting of the Bureau will be held in Cairo, at the Hotel Grand Hyatt, Corniche El Nile, P.O. Box 2288, Garden City, Cairo, Tel. +20 2 3651 234, Fax +20 2 3621 927, www: https://cairo.grand.hyatt.com.

The following annotations to the provisional agenda were prepared by the Secretariat to assist the meeting in its deliberations.

Agenda item 1: Opening of the meeting

1. The meeting will be opened at 09:30 hrs on Monday 30 October 2006, on behalf of the President of the Bureau, H.E Mr. Janez Podobnik, Minister of Environment and Spatial Planning of Slovenia, by Mr Mitja Bricelj, Secretary of the Minister of Environment and Spatial Planning of Slovenia.

Agenda item 2: Adoption of the Provisional Agenda and organization of work

2. The Provisional Agenda prepared by the Secretariat, was distributed as document UNEP/BUR/65/1.

3. The meeting will review and adopt the Provisional Agenda. Simultaneous interpretation in Arabic, English and French will be available for all sessions.

4. It is expected that the Bureau will tackle all items of the Provisional Agenda during its one and a half day meeting including the adoption of a list of decisions. It is envisaged to close the meeting of the Bureau at mid-day on 31 October 2006. The report of the meeting will be prepared at MEDU by the Secretariat and distributed to the members of the Bureau for comments and approval.

Agenda item 3: Progress Report by the Secretariat on activities carried out since the last Meeting of the Bureau of the Contracting Parties to the Barcelona Convention

5. The Coordinator of MAP will present document UNEP/BUR/65/3 “Progress Report by the Secretariat on activities carried out since the last Meeting of the Bureau of the Contracting Parties to the Barcelona Convention”.

6. The meeting is expected to comment on and take note of the progress report on the implementation of the activities carried out since the last meeting of the Bureau.

Agenda item 4: Discussion on Specific Issues

7. The Secretariat will introduce document UNEP/BUR/65/4 with a number of topics for the consideration of the Bureau.

8. The meeting is expected to have an exchange of views on those issues and advise the Secretariat, provide guidance as appropriate and take decisions.
Agenda item 5: Date and the place of the next meeting of the Bureau

9. The meeting will decide on the date and place of the next Bureau meeting.

Agenda item 6: Any other business

10. The meeting will consider other issues, which may be raised during the meeting.

Agenda item 7: Conclusions and decisions

11. The Secretariat will submit for adoption a set of decisions. The report of the meeting will be circulated to the members of the Bureau at a later stage for adoption.

Agenda item 8: Closure of the meeting

12. The meeting is expected to be closed by the representative of the President at 13:00 hrs on Tuesday, 31 October 2006.
TIMETABLE

MONDAY, 30 OCTOBER 2006

09.30 1) Opening of the meeting Representative of the President of the Bureau

2) Adoption of the Provisional Agenda and organization of work

10.00 3) Progress Report by the Secretariat on activities carried out since the last Meeting of the Bureau of the Contracting Parties MAP Coordinator and Bureau Members

11.00 Coffee break

11.30 3) Progress Report by the Secretariat (continued) MAP Coordinator and Bureau Members

4) Specific issues

a) Extraordinary Meeting of MAP Focal points MAP Coordinator and Bureau Members

b) MAP’s involvement in the EC Environmental Strategy for the Mediterranean including Horizon 2020 Initiative

13.00 Lunch Break

15.00 4) Specific Issues (continued) MAP Coordinator and Bureau Members

b) (Continued)

c) Development of the draft Protocol on Integrated Coastal Zone Management

d) New graphic identity for MAP

16.30 Coffee break

17.00 4) Specific Issues (continued) MAP Coordinator and Bureau Members

d) (Continued)

e) Status of Montenegro with respect to the Barcelona Convention

TUESDAY, 31 October 2006

09.30 5) Date and place of the next meeting of the Bureau

6) Any other business

11.30 7) Conclusions and decisions

Coffee break

13.00 8) Closure of the Meeting By the representative of the President of the Bureau