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and the Coastal Region of the Mediterranean and its Protocols

Paris, France, 3-4 July 2012

PROVISIONAL ANNOTATED AGENDA

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Introduction

1. The informal Bureau Meeting that took place on the margins of COP 17 accepted the kind invitation of the Government of France to host the first Bureau Meeting of the Biennium to take place in Paris, France in early July 2012. In consultation with the President and members of the Bureau, the meeting will be held on 3 and 4 July 2012.

2. The following annotations to the Provisional Agenda were prepared by the Secretariat to assist the meeting in its deliberations.

DAY 1: TUESDAY, 3 JULY 2012

Agenda item 1: Opening of the meeting (09:30-09:45)

3. The meeting will be opened at 09.30 hrs on Tuesday, 3 July 2012, by the President of the Bureau. It is expected that a representative of the host country will also welcome Bureau members.

Agenda item 2: Adoption of the Provisional Agenda and organization of work (09:45-10:00)

4. The Provisional Agenda prepared by the Secretariat, was distributed as document UNEP/BUR/75/1.

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

6. It is expected that the Bureau will address all items of the Provisional Agenda during its two-day meeting. It is envisaged to close the meeting of the Bureau at 17.30 on 4 July 2012 after adopting its conclusions and recommendations. As agreed during the informal meeting of the Bureau after the 17th Meeting of the Contracting Parties to the Barcelona Convention and its Protocols, the report of the meeting will be very succinct and will be prepared by the Secretariat and distributed to the members of the Bureau for adoption.

Agenda item 3: Progress Report by the Secretariat on activities carried out during the period February 2012-July 2012 (10:00 – 11:00)

7. The Coordinator of MAP will present document UNEP/BUR/75/3 “Progress Report by the Secretariat on activities carried out during the period February 2012-July 2012”.

8. Bureau members are expected to comment on and take note of the progress achieved on the implementation of the activities carried out and advise the Secretariat, as they may deem useful.

Coffee Break: 11:00-11:30

Agenda item 4: Discussions on Specific issues (11:30 – 13:00)

9. The Coordinator of MAP will present document UNEP/BUR/75/4 on Specific Issues.

10. The Bureau will be invited to exchange views on the following issues:

4.a. Cooperation with other Organizations (11:30-11:45)

11. The Coordinator of MAP will inform the Bureau members about the progress made in the establishment of cooperation agreements with the Secretariat of the General fisheries Commission for the Mediterranean (GFCM), International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN), Union for the Mediterranean (UfM) and also on UNEP Services Agreement.

12. Bureau members are expected to provide their views and recommendations as appropriate.

4.b. EcAp Process (11:45 – 13:00)

13. At the request of EcAp Coordination Group, Terms of Reference, structure and procedures of work for the implementation of EcAp will be presented to the Bureau members for comments, recommendations and endorsement.

Lunch Break: 13.00 – 14.30

Agenda item 4: Discussions on Specific issues (continues) (14:30 – 18:00)

4.c Extended Functional Review (14:30 -17:00)

14. The Coordinator of MAP will present Bureau members the status of implementation and the timeline of the extended functional review, as well as memberships and the terms of reference of proposed Mediterranean Coordination Group. (UNEP/BUR/75/R.1 “Update by the Secretariat on the Extended Functional Review”)

15. Bureau members are expected to provide their views and recommendations as appropriate.

(Coffee Break: 16:00 – 16.30)

4.d RIO+20 – Outcomes and relevance with the Mediterranean (17:00 – 18:00)

16. Bureau members are expected to provide their views on the implications of RIO+20 Summit in view of the work of UNEP/MAP. Also the Coordinator of MAP will provide an overview on the reflections of RIO+20 on the Mediterranean.

17. Bureau members are expected to provide their views and recommendations as appropriate.

Evening Event – Kind invitation by French Government to a Cocktail dinnatoire

DAY 2: WEDNESDAY, 4 JULY 2012

Agenda item 5: Financial update and Administrative matters (09:30 – 13:00)

5.a. Financial Update (9:30 – 10:30)

18. A financial update, information on budget execution, and the status of implementation of audit recommendations, will be presented to the Bureau members for their comments and recommendations. The Secretariat will circulate a working document with scenarios for meeting contractual obligations until the end of the year. (UNEP/BUR/75/R.2 "Proposals to Reassign Available Funding")

5.b. International Maritime Organizations (IMO) relations (10:30 – 11:30)

19. The financial difficulties experienced by the REMPEC Center will be discussed with the participation of a representative of IMO.

Coffee break: 11:30 – 12:00

5.c. Financial Rules and other issues (12:00 – 13:00)

20. Bureau members are also expected to discuss draft Financial Rules in line with the Article 24.2 of the Convention, and a preliminary analysis on staffing costs throughout the MAP system. Also, the Secretariat will inform the members of the Bureau on the financial implication of the Functional Review of the Coordinating Unit and MEDPOL. (UNEP/BUR/75/R.3)

Lunch break: 13:00-15:30 hrs

Agenda item 6: Any other business

Agenda item 7: Conclusions and decisions

21. The Secretariat will submit for adoption a set of conclusions and recommendations. 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

22. The meeting is expected to be closed by the President of the Bureau at 17.30 hrs on Wednesday 4 July 2012.

TIMETABLE

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09:30 – 10:00	1. Opening of the meeting 2. Adoption of the Provisional Agenda and organization of work	**Working Document/s** UNEP/BUR/75/1 & UNEP/BUR/75/2/Cor.1
10:00 – 11:00	3. Progress Report by the Secretariat on activities carried out during the period February 2012-July 2012	**Working Document/s** UNEP/BUR/75/3
11:00 – 11:30	Coffee Break	
11:30 – 13:00	4. Report by the Secretariat on Specific Issues (4.a, 4.b)	**Working Document/s** UNEP/BUR/75/4
13:00 – 14:30	Lunch Break	
14:30 – 18:00	4. Report by the Secretariat on Specific Issues (4.c, 4.d) (*Coffee break 16:00 – 16:30)*	**Working Document/s** UNEP/BUR/75/4 UNEP/BUR/75/R.1
	Cocktail dinnatoire	
DAY 2: WEDNESDAY, 4 JULY 2012		
09:30 – 13:00	5. Financial update and Administrative Matters (*Coffee break 11:00 – 11:30)*	**Working Document/s** UNEP/BUR/75/4 UNEP/BUR/75/R.2 UNEP/BUR/75/R.3
13:00 – 15:30	Lunch Break	
	6. Any other business	
	7. Conclusions and decisions	Draft conclusions and recommendations (in session)
17:30	8. Closure of the Meeting	