Provisional Annotated Agenda

Agenda item 1. Opening of the conference

1. The Conference will be opened at 10.00 hours on 2 April at the Palais des Nations, Geneva, by the Executive Director or by his representative. The Conference will hear a statement by the President of the Contracting Parties and the Executive Director, or his representative.

Agenda item 2. Election of officers

2. In accordance with Rule 20 of the Rules of Procedure, the Conference will elect its own President, two Vice-Presidents and a Rapporteur. They will constitute the Bureau of the Conference (Rule 23).

Agenda item 3. Rules of procedure


Agenda item 4. Adoption of the agenda

4. A provisional agenda prepared by the Executive Director in agreement with the Bureau (Rule 10) has been circulated with the letter of invitation.
Agenda item 5. Organization of work

5. A proposed timetable is annexed to the present document. The morning of Saturday, 3 April 1982 is required by the secretariat in order to prepare the text of the Protocol, for signature in the four official languages.

Agenda item 6. Preparation of the Final draft of the Protocol on Mediterranean Specially Protected Areas

6. The meeting will have before it the following documents:

   - Report of the Inter-governmental Meeting on Mediterranean Specially Protected Areas, Athens, 13-17 October 1980 (document UNEP/IG.20/5);

   - Draft Protocol on Specially Protected Areas of the Mediterranean; (document UNEP/IG.35/3);


Agenda item 7. Report of the Credentials Committee

7. Each Contracting Party shall be represented at the Conference by an accredited representative, who may be accompanied by such alternates and advisers as may be required (Rule 18). The credentials of representatives and the names of alternate representatives and advisers shall be submitted by the Contracting Parties to the Executive Director before the opening session. The Bureau of the Conference shall examine the credentials and submit its report to the Conference (Rule 19).

Agenda item 8. Adoption of the Final Act of the Conference

8. A draft Final Act shall be submitted to the conference for adoption. The draft will contain a report on the debate, the decisions taken, as well as the final text of the Protocol. The Conference will proceed to a separate vote on each of the articles of the protocol, before adopting the protocol in its entirety.

Agenda item 9. Signature of the Final Act

9. The Final Act shall be signed by the Representatives of the Contracting Parties attending the Conference. The detailed arrangements for the signature of the Final Act will be defined in agreement with the Bureau.
Agenda item 10. Signature of the Protocol

10. The Protocol on Specially Protected Areas will be open for signature by the representatives of the Contracting Parties. The detailed arrangements for the signature of the Protocol will be defined in agreement with the Bureau. It will remain open for signature from April 4th, 1982 to May 3rd, 1983 at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Government of Spain, in Madrid.

PROPOSED TIMETABLE

Friday, 2 April 1982

Morning               items 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6
Afternoon             items 6 (concluded), 7

Saturday, 3 April 1982

Morning               --
Afternoon             items 8, 9, 10