Third Meeting of the Contracting Parties to the Convention for the Protection of the Mediterranean Sea against pollution and its related protocols.

Dubrovnik, 28 February - 4 March 1983

PROVISIONAL ANNOTATED AGENDA

Agenda item 1. Opening of the meeting

The meeting will be opened at 10.00 hours on Monday, 28 February 1983 in Dubrovnik (the address will be communicated later), by the President of the Contracting Parties. The Executive Director will deliver an opening statement.

The opening session will be preceded by unofficial consultations of Heads of delegations on Monday 28 February 1983 at 9.00 hours to reach agreement on procedural and organizational matters.

Agenda item 2. Rules of procedure

The Rules of procedure appearing in document UNEP/IG.23/11, annex VII will apply.

Agenda item 3. Election of officers

In accordance with Rule 20 (I) of the Rules of procedure, the meeting is to elect a Chairman, two Vice-Chairmen and a Rapporteur. These officers shall constitute the Bureau of the meeting (Rule 23).

Agenda item 4. Adoption of the agenda

The provisional Agenda prepared by the Executive Director in agreement with the Bureau (Rule 10) has been distributed in document UNEP/IG.43/1.

Agenda item 5. Organization of work

It is proposed to establish under Rule 24 a Committee of the Whole open to all delegations to consider the agenda items indicated in the suggested time-table, appearing as an annex to this document. In line with past practice the meeting will designate one of its Vice-Chairmen to chair the Committee of the Whole. The Committee should elect its Vice-Chairman and Rapporteur. The remaining agenda items should be considered in plenary.
In order to devote maximum time for consideration of individual agenda items, it is proposed that initial discussion in plenary be concluded before the end of the first session.

Agenda item 6. Credentials

In accordance with Rule 19, the Bureau of the meeting shall examine the credentials of representatives and submit its report to the meeting.


The meeting will have before it document UNEP/IG.43/3. The report will be presented by the secretariat. The meeting will be expected to review and take note of the activities carried out in 1982. Programme recommendations with related budget proposals will be reviewed under the corresponding agenda items with a view to their adoption.

Agenda item 8. Integrated planning of the development and management of the resources of the Mediterranean basin.

a) Blue Plan:

The meeting will have before it the following documents:
- Report of the Blue Plan, PHASE I (UNEP/IG.43/INF.3)
- Report of the Third Meeting of Blue Plan National Focal Points (Sophia Antipolis, 31 January - 2 February, 1982 (UNEP/IG.43/INF.4)).

Preliminary proposals for the second phase of the Blue Plan are contained in the Executive Director’s report.

b) Priority Actions Programme:

The meeting will have before it the Report of the Meeting of National Focal Points for Priority Actions Programme, Split, 6-8 December 1982 (UNEP/IG.43/INF.5).

Proposals for PAP activities are contained in the Executive Director’s report.

c) Specially Protected Areas:

Proposals for activities to be undertaken in 1983-1985 are contained in the Executive Director’s report.

d) Training and exchange of information:

Proposals for activities in 1983-1985 are contained in the Executive Director’s report.
e) **Co-operation in programmes of interest to the Mediterranean:**

An open discussion on co-operation is expected, based on proposals from delegations.

The meeting will have before it a document on Municipal action for the protection of the Mediterranean against pollution - Note by the secretariat (UNEP/IG.43/INF.6).

Proposals for activities in 1983-1985 are contained in the Executive Director's report.

**Agenda item 9. Co-ordinated pollution monitoring and research programme in the Mediterranean.**

A report on activities carried out in 1982 and proposals for activities in 1983-1985 are contained in the Executive Director's report.

**Agenda item 10. Framework Convention and related protocols with their technical annexes for the protection of the Mediterranean environment.**

The meeting will have before it a status of signature and ratification as of 31 December 1982 (Document UNEP/IG.43/INF.8).

a) **Implementation of the Convention for the protection of the Mediterranean Sea against pollution (Article 14 of the Convention):**

The proposals of the Executive Director for the implementation of:

- article 6: pollution from ships;
- article 7: pollution resulting from exploration and exploitation of the Continental Shelf and the sea-bed and its sub-soil;
- article 12: liability and compensation; and
- article 20: reporting.

are contained in the Executive Director's report.

b) **Implementation of the Protocol for the prevention of the pollution of the Mediterranean Sea by dumping from ships and aircraft (Article 14 of the Protocol):**

The meeting will have before it the following document: Report submitted for the purpose of Article 14 of the Protocol for the prevention of pollution of the Mediterranean Sea by dumping from ships and aircraft (UNEP/IG.43/INF.9).
c) **Implementation of the Protocol on co-operation in combating pollution of the Mediterranean Sea by oil and other harmful substances in cases of emergency (article 12 of the Protocol):**

The meeting will have before it the following document: Report submitted for the purposes of article 12 of the Protocol concerning co-operation in combating pollution of the Mediterranean Sea by oil and other harmful substances in cases of emergency (UNEPIG.43/INF.10).

A presentation will be made on the activities of the Regional Oil Combating Centre in Malta.

d) **Protocol on the protection of the Mediterranean Sea against pollution from land-based sources:**

An oral presentation will be made by the secretariat on the status of ratifications. Representatives may inform the meeting on progress made towards ratification of the Protocol. Recommendations for technical preparations for the implementation of the Protocol are contained in the Executive Director's Report.

e) **Protocol concerning Mediterranean Specially Protected Areas:**

An oral presentation will be made by the secretariat. Representatives may inform the meeting of progress made towards ratification of the Protocol.

f) **Other legal matters:**

An oral presentation will be made by the secretariat on the implementation of Resolution No.4 by the Conference of Plenipotentiaries of the Coastal States of the Mediterranean Region (Barcelona, 13 February 1976) entitled "Establishment of a committee of experts on an Inter-State Guarantee Fund for the Mediterranean Sea area."

An oral presentation will be made by the secretariat on the possibility and need for a Protocol to regulate environmental aspects of fishing to be developed in co-operation with FAO.

**Agenda item 11. Institutional and financial implications of the Action Plan.**

a) **Revision of the Rules of procedure:**

The meeting will have before it the following document: Report of the Committee of Governmental Experts on the Rules of procedure, Athens, 29-30 November 1982 (UNEPIG.43/5).

The Rules of procedure may be amended by a decision of the meeting taken by a two-thirds majority of the Contracting Parties present and voting.
b) Management of the Mediterranean Trust Fund beyond 31 December 1983:

The proposals of the Executive Director for the 1984-1985 biennium's work programme and budget, and for the corresponding level of contributions are contained in document UNEP/IG.43/3.

A decision by the meeting is required concerning the extension of the Trust Fund to 31 December 1985.

**Agenda item 12. Other business.**

The meeting will decide on the opening date and the duration of the next Ordinary Meeting in accordance with Rule 4.3 of the Rules of procedure.

**Agenda item 13. Adoption of the report.**

A draft report of the meeting will be submitted to participants for adoption.

**Agenda item 14. Closure of the meeting.**

The meeting is expected to close by 18.00 hours on Friday, 4 March 1983.
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