

7. Decide on the status of the organosilicon compounds in the Dumping protocol as follows:

Status of organosilicon compounds in the Protocol for the prevention of pollution of the Mediterranean Sea by dumping from ships and aircraft

The Contracting Parties:

- Considering recent scientific evidence regarding the toxicity and persistence of organosilicon compounds, and their status as actual or potential marine pollutants;
- Further considering that any future control measures becoming necessary can be adequately covered by the provisions of annex I, item 5 and annex II, item 1(iv) to the above-mentioned Protocol;
- Agree to amend annex I to the Protocol for the prevention of pollution of the Mediterranean Sea by dumping from ships and aircraft, by deleting item 2 thereof - "Organosilicon compounds and compounds which may form such substances in the marine environment, excluding those which are non-toxic or which are rapidly converted in the sea into substances which are biologically harmless, provided that they do not make edible marine organisms unpalatable".

8. Decide on the status of the organosilicon compounds in the LBS protocol as follows:

Status of organosilicon compounds in the Protocol for the protection of the Mediterranean Sea against pollution from Land-based Sources

The Contracting Parties: 1/

- Considering recent scientific evidence regarding the toxicity, persistence and bioaccumulation of organosilicon compounds, and their status as actual or potential marine pollutants;
- Further considering that any future control measures becoming necessary can be adequately covered by annex I, item 7; annex II, item 10 and annex II, item 13 to the above-mentioned Protocol;
- Agree to amend annex II to the Protocol for the protection of the Mediterranean Sea against pollution from Land-based Sources by deleting item 3 thereof - "Organosilicon compounds and substances which may form such compounds in the marine environment, excluding those which are biologically harmless or are rapidly converted into biologically harmless substances".

1/ With reservation by the EEC