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RECOMMENDATIONS FOR 2004 - 2005

The present document contains a corrigendum and an addendum to document UNEP(DEC)/MED IG.15/5 of 03 October 2003 "Recommendations for the biennium 2004-2005.

Corrigendum

With reference to the implementation of the 1995 amended Dumping Protocol, the Secretariat intended to recommend to the Contracting Parties to adopt new Guidelines related to the dumping of inert geological material on the assumption that they would be in line with those approved at the global level. In view of the fact that the Contracting Parties to the London Convention are still discussing the issue, the Secretariat is proposing the following changes:

Please substitute section II.A.1.5. with the following text:

II.A.1.5. Activities related to the implementation of the Dumping Protocol

(a) Recommendations to the Contracting Parties:

1. To adopt the guidelines on the dumping of platforms and other man-made structures proposed by the Secretariat, which were prepared in close consultation with national authorities.

DELETE:

2. To adopt the guidelines on the dumping of inert uncontaminated geological materials proposed by the Secretariat, which were prepared in close cooperation with national authorities.

INSERT:

2. [To provide information to the Secretariat on the procedures used at the national level for the dumping of inert geological material (permits issued, definition of inert material, site selection, etc.) which will be used as the basis for the finalization of the existing draft Guidelines.]

(b) Recommendations to the Secretariat (MED POL)

1. To start the preparation of Guidelines for the placing of matter for a purpose other than dumping such as artificial reefs.

ADD:

2. [To follow the international developments, in particular at the level of the London Convention, related to the preparation of Guidelines on the Dumping of Inert Geological Material, to collate information on national practices, to harmonize and finalize accordingly the existing draft Guidelines prepared by the Secretariat and subsequently submit them to Contracting Parties for adoption.]

Addendum

Please add to the section I.A.7 "Financial Matters", page 7 to document UNEP(DEC)/MED IG.15/5, a new set of recommendations addressed to the Secretariat, as proposed by Spain, after the recommendation number six to the Contracting Parties:

Recommendations to the Secretariat:

- 1. [To prepare in cooperation with the Bureau and the Contracting Parties a draft budget for the biennium 2006-2007 based on the principle of budgetary stability related to the budget for 2004-2005].
- 2. [In preparing the draft budget for 2006-2007 the activities shall be linked to clear objectives that could be assessed against the objectives of the Convention, its Protocols and the commitments related to Sustainable Development].
- 3. [To prepare an evaluation of the effectiveness of the activities accomplished during the period 2004-2005, and a timetable for the intermediate goals and the final completion of the activities].