

DECISION ON THE 10th ANNIVERSARY OF THE  
MEDITERRANEAN ACTION PLAN

The Meeting:

Taking into consideration that 1985 will mark the 10th anniversary of the adoption of the Mediterranean Action Plan in Barcelona which should offer the opportunity for a reaffirmation of the political will to protect and enhance the Mediterranean Sea area through co-operation,

Having heard the proposals of the Executive Director,

1. Recommends to the Contracting Parties to consider being represented at the Fourth Meeting of Contracting Parties to be held in Genoa, Italy in September 1985 at the ministerial level;
2. Invites the secretariat to prepare:
  - a general factual assessment of the state of the Mediterranean Sea based on the information available through the MED POL pilot phase and other sources;
  - an evaluation of the progress achieved towards the goals set in the Action Plan, and
  - an outline of the objectives to be achieved in the next 6 to 8 years.

Such objectives should be realistic but precise, indicating landmarks to be attained by specific dates and be combined, with an analysis of the budget requirement, of staff structure and capability and of alternative levels of funding. These three documents should be circulated to the Contracting Parties in draft form for review and comments prior to their distribution to the Fourth Ordinary Meeting in 1985. The information should also be presented in a form suitable for the general public.

3. Approves a budgetary allocation in the 1984-1985 budget for the preparation of the 10th anniversary session and the required documentation.