

Agenda item 2 : Rules of procedure

21. The Deputy Coordinator informed the Meeting that at the informal meeting of Heads of Delegations it had been decided to submit an amendment to rule 23 of the Rules of Procedure, in conformity with rule 50. The Bureau of the Meeting or of the Conference should consist of the President, four Vice-Presidents, instead of two, and the Rapporteur, and the first sentence of rule 23 should be amended accordingly.

22. The Meeting unanimously adopted the amendment to rule 23 of the Rules of Procedure, which would read as follows:

"The Bureau of the meetings or of the conferences shall consist of the President, the four Vice-Presidents and the Rapporteur. The President, or in his absence one of the Vice-Presidents designated by him, shall serve as Chairman of the Bureau".

23. The Meeting noted that the Rules of Procedure contained in document UNEP/IG.43/6, Annex XI, as amended by the present Meeting, would apply to its deliberations.

Agenda item 3 : Election of officers

24. In accordance with rule 20 of the amended Rules of Procedure and in conformity with the recommendations of the informal meeting of the Heads of Delegations, the Meeting unanimously elected the following Bureau:

President:	H.E. Mr. Riza Akçali	(Turkey)
Vice-President:	H.E. Mr. Chaouki Serghini	(Morocco)
Vice-President:	Mr. Joaquin Ros Vincent	(Spain)
Vice President:	Mr. Serge Antoine	(France)
Vice-President:	Mr. Abderrahmen Gannoun	(Tunisia)
Rapporteur:	Mr. Hratch Kouyoumjian	(Lebanon)

25. The President made a statement thanking the delegations for his election.

Agenda item 4 : Adoption of the agenda and organization of work

26. At the informal consultation held on 12 October 1993, the Heads of Delegations decided to recommend to the Eighth Ordinary Meeting of the Contracting Parties that Slovenia and Bosnia and Herzegovina, on the basis of their requests, be invited to send representatives to attend the Meeting as observers, in accordance with Rule 6 of the Rules of procedure for meetings and conferences of the Contracting Parties.