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Second Meeting of Mediterranean Experts on
the preparation of a Protocol on the prevention
of pollution of the Mediterranean Sea resulting
from the transboundary movements of hazardous
wastes and their disposal

● Athens, Italy, 21-24 September 1994

ANNOTATED PROVISIONAL AGENDA

Introduction

The Eighth Ordinary Meeting of the Contracting Parties (Antalya, October 1993) and the Meeting of the Bureau of the Contracting Parties (Rabat, June 1994) requested the Secretariat to convene the second meeting of Mediterranean experts, during September 1994, to review the latest version of the draft Protocol on the prevention of pollution of the Mediterranean Sea by transboundary movements of hazardous wastes and their disposal.

The text of the draft Protocol was thoroughly reviewed by the first meeting of Mediterranean experts, held in Cervia (Italy), 23-25 April 1993. Most of the Articles of the draft Protocol were approved by the first meeting. Only Articles 1 (t), 2 (b) and 9 were still pending, as well as the four annexes attached to the draft Protocol.

Therefore, it is expected that the present meeting will mainly concentrate on these pending Articles and annexes, as well as on any recent new development relevant to the issue of hazardous wastes.

Agenda Item 1: Opening of the meeting

The meeting will be opened at 09:30 hours on Wednesday 21 September 1994. All MAP focal points have been invited to send representatives taking into account this specific subject of the meeting. Representatives of relevant international organizations, non-governmental organizations and MAP Regional Activity Centres have been invited to attend the meeting as observers.

Agenda Item 2: Rules of procedure

The rules of procedure adopted for meetings and conferences of the Contracting Parties to the Convention for the Protection of the Mediterranean Sea against Pollution and its Related Protocols will apply to the meeting (UNEP/IG.43/6, Annex XI).

Agenda Item 3: Election of Officers

In accordance with Rule 20 of the rules of procedure, the meeting shall elect from among the representatives of the Contracting Parties, a chairman, two vice-chairmen and a rapporteur.

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

The Provisional Agenda prepared by the Secretariat and appearing as document UNEP(OCA)/MED/WG.79/1 and annotated in this present document, will be proposed for adoption by the meeting.

Simultaneous English/French interpretation will be available for all sessions.

A draft programme for the four day meeting is attached to this document.

Agenda Item 5: Review of the draft Protocol on Hazardous Wastes

The meeting will have before it document UNEP(OCA)/MED/WG.79/3, containing the last version of the draft Protocol on hazardous wastes, as agreed upon by the first meeting of experts (Cervia, April 1993).

It is expected that the present meeting will concentrate its work on the pending Articles (Article 1(t), Article 2(b) and Article 9), as well as on new issues and developments which might be raised during the meeting.

As the first meeting was unable to complete the first reading of the four annexes to the draft Protocol, due to lack of time, it is proposed that the present meeting conduct a second reading of these annexes.

Agenda Item 6: Any other matter

Other subjects relevant to the draft Protocol on hazardous wastes, which might be brought to the attention of the meeting by the participants or by the Secretariat will be discussed under this agenda item.

Agenda Item 7: Adoption of the report of the meeting

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

Agenda Item 8: Closure of the meeting

The meeting is expected to be closed by the chairman at 18:00 hours on Saturday, 24 September 1994.

Draft Programme

Date	A.M. Session 9:30 - 12:30	P.M. Session 14:30 - 18:30
Wednesday, 21 September	Agenda Items: 1, 2, 3, 4	Agenda Item: 5
Thursday, 22 September	Agenda Item: 5	Agenda Item: 5
Friday, 23 September	Agenda Items: 5, 6	FREE (preparation of the report)
Saturday, 24 September	Agenda Items: 7, 8	

Coffee breaks: 11:00 a.m.
16:00 p.m.