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Meeting of the Expanded Bureau of the Contracting Parties to the Convention for the protection of the Mediterranean Sea against pollution and its related protocols

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of the Contracting Parties
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Introduction

1. The fifth Ordinary Meeting of the Contracting Parties to the Convention for the Protection of the Mediterranean Sea against pollution and its related protocols (Athens, 7-11 September 1987) decided to convene an expanded meeting of the Bureau open to all Contracting Parties wishing to attend. The objectives of the meeting were to decide on the apportionment of the 1989 budget for the Mediterranean Action Plan, to determine guidelines for the refocusing of the Mediterranean Action Plan and also to consider how to facilitate the renewal of the Bureau.

2. The meeting was convened in the premises of the Co-ordinating Unit in Athens, on 1-2 November 1988.

Participants

3. The following Contracting Parties to the Barcelona Convention for the protection of the Mediterranean Sea against pollution and its related protocols were represented at the meeting:

Cyprus, European Economic Community, Egypt, France, Greece, Israel, Italy, Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Malta, Monaco, Morocco, Spain, Syrian Arab Republic, Tunisia, Turkey and Yugoslavia.

4. Albania attended the meeting as an observer.

5. The following United Nations bodies and specialized agencies and other organizations were present as observers:

Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO), World Health Organization (WHO), International Maritime Organization (IMO), World Bank, Regional Activity Centres for the Blue Plan (RAC/BP), and the Priority Actions Programme (RAC/PAP).

6. The list of participants is attached as Annex I to this report.

Agenda Item 1 - Opening of the Meeting

7. The meeting was opened by the President of the Bureau, H.E. Mr. Evangelos Kouloubis, Minister of the Environment, Physical Planning and Public Works of Greece, who welcomed the participants.

8. He stated that recently several international meetings on various environmental matters had been organized in Greece, in particular the European Environment Bureau meeting held in Athens on 21 and 22 October 1988 which had dealt with the financing of environmental activities, the 31st General Assembly of the International Council for the Scientific Exploration of the Mediterranean (I.C.S.E.M.) held in Athens on 17-21 October, and especially the informal meeting of the EEC Ministers for the Environment held in Delphi on 1 and 2 October 1988, organized by Greece as President of the EEC. It was a felicitous coincidence that Greece was holding both the Presidency of the EEC Council and of MAP at the same time. Thus, the general topic discussed at the informal Ministers' Council "Community Policy on the Environment and Financial Resources" had been chosen as most appropriate at the time.

9. Even though decisions were not taken during informal councils - according to EEC practice - the impressive site of Delphi had contributed, he believed, to mutual understanding and the converging of opinions. He stressed that it had been the first time that the Ministers for the Environment of the EEC had discussed the environment as a global political issue.

10. Greece had supported the following propositions in the framework of that meeting:

- (a) The need for social cohesion to go hand-in-hand with the internal market; the cohesion would also be reflected in environmental policy by ensuring, inter alia, quality standards;
- (b) The need to adapt the global environmental policy to the special characteristics of each country;
- (c) The need to establish a new balance of priorities with special emphasis on the Mediterranean, which would be approached as a whole, and not simply as a grouping of the Mediterranean countries which are also EEC members;
- (d) The need to ensure all necessary resources for the implementation of environmental policy through existing or new mechanisms - depending on the case - since environmental investments are also productive investments;
- (e) The desirability of submitting to the Summit Meeting - to take place in Rhodes on 2 and 3 December - a resolution concerning the new approach to environmental policy.

11. The Greek views had been favourably received by the informal Ministers' meeting. Obviously, the decisions on the various specific points would be taken in Brussels on 24 November in the framework of the formal Ministers' Council. In this connection, all proposals, emanating from this meeting of the Expanded Bureau which would support Mediterranean priorities, would be most useful.

Agenda Item 2 - Rules of Procedure

12. The Secretariat stated that the rules of procedure adopted for the meetings and conferences of the Contracting Parties to the Convention for the protection of the Mediterranean Sea against pollution and its related protocols (UNEP/IG.43/6, Annex XI) would apply mutatis mutandis to the meeting of the Expanded Bureau of the Contracting Parties, as a subsidiary body of the Conference of the Contracting Parties.

Agenda Item 3 - Adoption of the agenda and organization of work

13. The Expanded Bureau considered the provisional agenda (UNEP/BUR/33/1).

14. The representative of Turkey proposed that item 6 of the provisional agenda (Composition of the Bureau of the Contracting Parties) should be dropped. The representatives of the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Tunisia and Morocco supported the Turkish representative's proposal, on the grounds, among others, that the relevant document had been received so late that governments had not been able to consider the issues involved and that furthermore the matter was one for consideration by the meeting of Contracting Parties.

15. After further discussion and on the suggestion of the President, it was agreed to adopt the provisional agenda with the proviso that at the time when the Bureau came to consider item 6 it would determine whether and to what extent it would deal with the subject matter covered by that item.

16. The meeting adopted the timetable suggested in the annex to the annotated agenda (document UNEP/BUR/33/2). It also agreed to conduct its proceedings only in plenary meetings, with the proviso that ad hoc working groups or drafting committees might be formed by the Expanded Bureau in consultation with the Secretariat, as needed.

Agenda Item 4 - Apportionment of 1989 budget for the Mediterranean Action Plan

17. Mr. A. Manos, Co-ordinator of the Mediterranean Action Plan, introduced document UNEP/BUR/33/3. He informed the meeting that the 1989 workplan and budgets for MED POL, the Regional Oil Combating Centre (ROCC) and the Specially Protected Areas (SPA) had been considered and approved by the First Meeting of the Scientific and Technical Committee (Athens, 23-27 May 1988) and the 1989 workplan and budgets for the Blue Plan (BP) and the Priority Actions Programme (PAP) had been considered and approved by the First Meeting of the Socio-Economic Committee (Athens, 27-29 September 1988). He informed the meeting that the Blue Plan outputs (Report on the scenarios and the Executive Summary) had been given to members of the Expanded Bureau for transmission to their governments.

18. The Bureau decided that contributions received in excess of the approved programme should constitute a reserve fund.

19. The Bureau requested that the appointment of a person to the new G-4 post included in the budget should be delayed until the March 1989 meeting of the Bureau, subject to the satisfactory payment of arrears of contributions.

20. The representative of Italy suggested that the Co-ordinating Unit should prepare a report showing the administrative procedures whereby the Contracting Parties authorized the payment of their contributions; such information would be useful to all Contracting Parties. He added that the arrears of Italy's contribution were expected to be paid shortly and in a single instalment.

21. It was stressed that it was necessary to achieve a better distribution of consultants for each of the components of MAP.

22. During the ensuing debate the representative of Malta proposed the creation of the post of documentalist/chemist (P-3) due to the expanded role of the Regional Oil Combating Centre (ROCC), against a corresponding reduction in the allocation for consultants. This proposal was approved.

23. The Expanded Bureau approved the proposed budget on the understanding that detailed information on PAP and Blue Plan, contained in the report of the Socio-Economic Committee would be included in the budget (see Annex II).

24. After suggestions by several delegations concerning a more appropriate presentation of the budget, the secretariat was authorized to prepare a proposal of the budget by objectives and to submit it to the Bureau's next meeting.

Agenda Item 5 - Report of the Executive Director Concerning the Refocusing of the Mediterranean Action Plan

25. The MAP Co-ordinator introduced the report of the Executive Director contained in document UNEP/BUR/33/4 entitled "Preliminary ideas of the Executive Director on the Refocusing of the Mediterranean Action Plan on Environmentally Sound Integrated Planning and Management of the Mediterranean Basin". He stressed the great importance of this document and requested the guidance of the meeting on specific points.

26. The Deputy Executive Director of UNEP stated that a principal objective of the preliminary ideas for the refocusing of MAP was to achieve an appropriate balance and integration of environmental and resource management considerations into the development process. He stressed that action was urgently needed with a view to improving the quality of economic growth at the world and regional level. In this context he referred to the need for broad participation of countries and international organizations in the efforts made to protect the Mediterranean.

27. It was pointed out that the participants had not been able to offer detailed comments on a document which had reached them very late. They agreed that within two months they would communicate written comments supplementing those which they had made during the debate and which had been noted by the secretariat. Some reservations were expressed with respect to certain specific paragraphs of the document in question.

28. The representative of Malta objected to the terms in which paragraph 66 was drafted insofar as they contained an implied criticism of his Government's support for ROCC. He undertook to see to it that if there were any shortcomings in that respect they would be remedied. He demanded that the paragraph should be deleted or at least radically revised.

29. The representative of Tunisia stated that the implied criticism regarding her country's support for the RAC/SPA was unacceptable. Accordingly, she proposed that the last sentence of paragraph 67 of the document should be deleted.

30. The representative of Egypt emphasized that the essential objective of MAP was to maintain and improve the quality of life in the Mediterranean region, which meant the quality of human life. While it was praiseworthy to encourage efforts for preserving certain endangered animal species and their habitat from a strictly scientific point of view, it should not be forgotten that certain human groups in the region and also their natural habitat were gravely endangered.

31. The French delegation announced that a written proposal would be submitted to the next Bureau meeting concerning the post-Blue Plan period, subject to a decision by the Contracting Parties.

32. The Italian delegation considered that in the case of this proposal there should be a connection with integrated planning, the national scenarios and the coastal area projects.

33. Many delegations raised in particular the question that the two committees are not very functional in their actual form. The Expanded Bureau agreed that the "Specially Protected Areas" programme should be dealt with provisionally by the Socio-Economic Committee, until final proposals on the general scheme could be approved by the Contracting Parties.

34. The Co-ordinator stated that in the light of the oral and written comments a new version of the document in question would be prepared and submitted to the Bureau at its March 1989 meeting and reflected in budget proposals for the next biennium to be submitted to the Technical and Scientific Committee and the Socio-Economic Committee, later in 1989.

35. The representative of Greece introduced a draft statement on the protection of the Mediterranean and requested the Expanded Bureau to authorize him to communicate it to the EEC Council of Environment Ministers on 24 November 1988. The meeting agreed to this request. For the text of the statement see Annex III.

Agenda Item 6 - Composition of the Bureau of the Contracting Parties

36. The President drew attention to the document prepared by the secretariat, at the Bureau's request, concerning this agenda item (UNEP/BUR/33/5). He stated that the suggestions made in that document with regard to the mode of electing the members of the Bureau had not been found generally acceptable at the Bureau meeting held on 31 October 1988.

37. The representative of France, Vice President of the Bureau, referred to rule 20 of the rules of procedure and gave a brief account of the events, in particular the unprecedented secret ballot held at the fifth ordinary meeting of the Contracting Parties in September 1987, which had occasioned the preparation of the document in question and the suggestions by the Executive Director of UNEP contained therein. He expressed the hope that it would be possible to settle the question of the election procedure in conformity with the principles set out in paragraph 12 of the document and preferably by the traditional and harmonious process of consultations and consensus.

38. The representative of the Syrian Arab Republic referred to the rules of procedure for meetings and conferences of the Contracting Parties, rule 20 of which made provision for voting, which was a democratic procedure for electing members of the Bureau. This procedure would guarantee the principle of universality and equity.

39. The President pointed out that the issue was not one on which the Bureau was competent to take a decision; it would be for the October 1989 meeting of the Contracting Parties to take the decision. Accordingly, he declared the discussion on item 6 closed.

Agenda Item 7 - Other Business

40. The President of the Bureau referred to the serious matter of the transboundary movement and disposal of hazardous and toxic wastes, especially insofar as it affected the Mediterranean region. Special reference was made to the provisions of the relevant Community Directive and the Barcelona Convention, which had to be respected. It was stressed that further and stringent regulations were needed to ensure the safe transfrontier movement and disposal of the substances in question, and for that purpose the countries would need to enforce national and international regulations, where they existed, and also to make provision for the training of the necessary personnel, to issue guidelines and to disseminate information about the risks involved. Many delegations expressed their concern to the same effect.

41. Many delegations participated in the ensuing discussion, stressing the need for more concrete information, which might be disseminated through the Co-ordinating Unit. It was suggested that in the context of MAP the Co-ordinating Unit could perform a dynamic function and receive whatever useful information the Contracting Parties might wish to transmit to it. Reference was made also to a series of preparatory steps taken by UNEP including meetings of legal experts, consultations with industrialized countries and industries, in preparation for the Conference to be convened in Bâle in March 1989 to adopt a worldwide convention on the subject. In that connection it was suggested that the Co-ordinating Unit should report the conclusions of the Bâle meeting and indicate what were the practical implications for the Mediterranean countries signatories of the Convention now being prepared.

42. The representative of Greece drew attention to a draft text prepared in the course of informal consultations which he suggested should be approved by the Bureau. The Bureau approved the text which is reproduced in Annex IV to this report.

43. The President referred furthermore to the phenomenon of plankton bloom, which had become increasingly common and serious in the Mediterranean in recent years. He considered that a study was needed on the factors influencing this disturbing phenomenon and suggested that the Secretariat should be asked to prepare a programme of research, in co-operation with the international organizations concerned, into the subject for submission to the Scientific and Technical Committee.

44. Several delegations referred to the experience suffered by their countries as a result of plankton bloom. They stressed the need for further specific evidence of the causes of plankton bloom and described steps taken at the national level to intensify relevant research, which should not, however, be carried out in isolation.

45. Mr. L. Jeftic, Senior Marine Scientist in the Co-ordinating Unit, reported on the research activity H in the MED POL - Phase II which dealt with the subject of eutrophication and plankton bloom, as well as on the Scientific Workshop on Eutrophication in the Mediterranean Sea held in Bologna in March 1987 (Technical Report Series No. 21). On the basis of the expressed interest of a number of Contracting Parties and at the request to the secretariat it had been agreed that the secretariat, in co-operation with other relevant agencies and intergovernmental organizations, would organize a small ad hoc group to prepare a programme of action which should include collection of information on laboratories and projects dealing with the problem. The programme would be presented to the next meeting of the Scientific-Technical Committee. The Bureau agreed that U.S. \$ 30,000 would be used for the group and follow up action, from the approved but uncommitted 1988 budget.

46. The Co-ordinator recalled that the Contracting Parties had decided, subject to a reservation by the EEC, to delete organosilicon compounds from Annex II to the Protocol for the protection of the Mediterranean Sea against pollution from land-based sources (UNEP/IG.74/5, Recommendation D-8). He informed the meeting that since September 1987, no Contracting Party had submitted any notification, in terms of Art. 17, 2(iv) of the Protocol. The secretariat, therefore, considered the decision as final and would contact the Depositary State so that the amendment would be recorded and formally notified to all Contracting Parties.

47. Mr. L. Jeftic informed the Bureau on the meeting of the Task Team on Implications of Climatic Changes in the Mediterranean and the Co-ordinators of Task Teams for the Caribbean, South-East Pacific, South Pacific, East Asian Seas and South Asian Seas Regions (Split, 3-8 October 1988). Six site-specific case studies had been prepared on the deltaic regions of the Nile, Po, Rhône and Ebro, Thermaikos Gulf (Northern Greece) and lakes Ishkuel/Bizerte (Tunisia). It was the intention of the secretariat to contact the six governments concerned and to present these studies to governmental representatives and experts.

48. The representative of Turkey described the progress made towards the implementation of the vast pilot project for cleaning up the Izmir Bay, which had been going on for some years and had already absorbed large investment resources provided partly by the national government and partly by other sources. He paid a tribute to the assistance received from the Priority Actions Programme (PAP) in the form of advice and technical expertise. He acknowledged also the valuable assistance received from various international organizations.

49. The representative of the Syrian Arab Republic stated that his country was preparing the draft of an integrated planning study concerning the Syrian coastal area and hoped it would receive the support of MAP, as in the case of the Izmir Bay project.

50. The representative of the World Bank expressed interest in and support for country-specific projects such as the Izmir Bay project. He noted the useful collaboration between the Turkish Government, MAP and the Bank in conducting the project in question. He also noted that these types of specific projects could constitute concrete examples for further collaboration between the Bank, UNEP/MAP, and the countries concerned. He thanked the Turkish Government for making the mission to Izmir possible and for largely contributing to its success. He added that the Bank's Environmental Programme for the Mediterranean (EPM) would no doubt generate other projects in the region. He informed the Expanded Bureau that the Bank had scheduled a workshop in Paris on 4-6 April 1989 to discuss EPM findings to which the Contracting Parties and MAP would be invited; the result of the workshop would be submitted to the October 1989 meeting of the Contracting Parties.

Agenda item 8 - Adoption of the Report

51. The Expanded Bureau adopted its report on 2 November 1988.

Agenda Item 9 - Closure of the Meeting

52. After the customary exchange of courtesies the President declared the meeting closed.

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<u>SECTION I</u>		
CHAPTER 1 - Co-ordination	795,300	795,300
CHAPTER 2 - Meetings	52,000	208,210
CHAPTER 3 - MED POL: Monitoring	1,457,000	1,457,000
CHAPTER 4 - MED POL: Research	330,000	330,000
CHAPTER 5 - Regional Oil Combating Centre	424,000	424,000
CHAPTER 6 - Training and Exchange of Information	95,000	95,000
 <u>SECTION II</u>		
CHAPTER 1 - Blue Plan	420,000	350,000
CHAPTER 2 - Priority Actions Programme	710,000	710,000
CHAPTER 3 - Specially Protected Areas	245,000	245,000
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GRAND TOTAL	4,528,300	4,614,510
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SECTION I

CHAPTER 1 - CO-ORDINATION

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1. PERSONNEL		
(a) Experts/Staff <u>1/</u> / <u>2/</u>		
- Co-ordinator - A. Manos (Italy) D.2 Permanent	12	84,000
- Senior Programme Officer/Marine Scientist L. Jeftic (Yugoslavia) P.5 Fixed-term	12	69,500
- Programme Officer/Economist - I. Dharat (Libya) P.4 Fixed-term	12	60,000
- Programme Officer/Marine Scientist F.S. Civili (Italy) P.3 Fixed-term	12	46,000
- Data Processer - A. Aksel (Turkey) P.3 Fixed-term	12	39,500
Subtotal 1 (a)		299,000
(b) Consultants		
- Librarian	5	10,000
- Legal Aspects	2	8,000
- Unspecified (Contingency)		12,000
Subtotal 1 (b)		30,000

1/ International recruitment

2/ In addition, post of Administrative Officer is paid from Programme Support Costs

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(c) Administrative Support ^{1/}		
- Senior Secretary, - D. Mandika (Greece) G.4 Fixed-term local recruitment	12	10,500
- Information Assistant - H. Pissala-Petrou (Greece) G.5 Fixed-term local recruitment	12	9,900
- Research Assistant - G.4	12	10,000
- Bilingual Secretary - E. Stamatopoulou- Kalimani (Greece) G.4 Fixed-term local recruitment	12	10,500
- Bilingual Typist - G.3 under recruitment	12	9,900
- Bilingual Typist - (Greece) G.3/G.4 M. Foerter-Platis Fixed-term local recruitment	12	7,700
- Bilingual Typist - G.3 under recruitment	12	9,000
- Telephone Operator/Receptionist - E. Zaimis (Greece) G.2 Fixed-term local recruitment	12	9,000
- Clerk/driver - D. Magiras (Greece) G.2 Fixed-term local recruitment	12	9,000
- Clerk - S. Fakis (Greece) G.2 Fixed-term local recruitment	12	7,200
- Temporary Assistance	8	19,000
- Overtime		7,600
Subtotal 1 (c)		119,300
Component total		448,300
2. TRAVEL ON OFFICIAL BUSINESS		45,000
3. SUB-CONTRACTS - Unspecified		15,000
4. MEETINGS/TRAINING/FELLOWSHIPS		-

^{1/} Posts of Administrative Assistant, Bilingual Secretary and Computer Assistant are paid from programme support costs.

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5. EQUIPMENT	
(a) Expendable equipment (Incl. books, magazines)	21,000
(b) Non-expendable equipment	22,000
Component total	43,000
6. RENTAL AND MAINTENANCE OF PREMISES	
- Rental	80,000
- Cleaning	14,000
Component total	94,000
7. OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF EQUIPMENT (Typewriters, Xerox, Computer, Official Car)	38,000
8. REPORTING COST	32,000
9. SUNDRY	
(a) Telex, Telephone, Postage and Freight	70,000
(b) Hospitality	4,000
(c) Miscellaneous	6,000
Component total	80,000
TOTAL CHAPTER 1	795,300

SECTION I
CHAPTER 2 - MEETINGS

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- Meetings of Bureau (2 per year)	12,000
- Scientific and Technical Committee	<u>1/</u>
- Socio-Economic Committee	40,000
- Working Group on Off-shore Protocol	30,000
- Meeting of Plenipotentiaries on Off-shore Protocol	40,000 <u>2/</u>
- 6th Ordinary Meeting of Contracting Parties	86,210
TOTAL CHAPTER 2	208,210

1/ Financed under MED POL Chapter III
2/ Subject to recommendation of the Working Group .

SECTION I
CHAPTER 3 - MED POL - MONITORING

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1. PERSONNEL <u>A/</u>		
(a) <u>Experts/Staff</u>		
- FAO Fishery Expert, P-5	12	68,000
- WHO Senior Scientist, P-5	12	70,000
- IAEA Maintenance Engineer, P-3	12	63,000
Sub-total 1(a)		201,000
(b) <u>Consultants</u>		
		35,000
Sub-total 1(b)		35,000
(c) <u>Administrative support</u>		
- FAO Secretary, Athens, Local, G-3	12	11,000
- WHO Secretary, Athens, Local, G-4	12	12,000
- WHO Secretary, Copenh. Local, G-4	6	10,000
- IAEA Lab. Assist., Monaco, Local, G-4	12	28,000
Sub-total 1(c)		61,000
Component total		297,000
2. TRAVEL <u>B/</u>		
- FAO		12,000
- UNESCO/IOC		6,000
- WHO		12,000
- WMO		8,000
- IAEA		24,000
Component total		62,000

A/ The cost of UNEP staff involved in MED POL is covered through Chapter I (Co-ordination) of MAP budget

B/ The cost of travel of UNEP staff in connection with MED POL is covered through Chapter I (Co-ordination) of MAP budget

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3. SUBCONTRACTS

Land-based Sources Protocol implementation:

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| - Pilot project on monitoring of carcinogenic, teratogenic or mutagenic substances, including selection of method and preparation of assessment and proposed measures | 35,000 |
| - Identification and categorisation of alternative products, installations and other processes capable of reducing pollution of the Mediterranean marine environment | 10,000 |
| - Survey of the situation currently existing with regard to products, installations and other processes within the region actually or potentially causing significant pollution of the marine environment | 10,000 |
| - Assistance to countries for the implementation of LBS Protocol (experts, training, etc.) | 55,000 |
| <u>Data quality assurance:</u> | |
| - Intercalibration and training course on determination of microbiological pollution | 15,000 |
| - Intercalibration and training course on determination of organic mercury | 15,000 |
| - Training course on analysis of physical oceanographic data and time-series | 15,000 |
| - Purchase of standards and reference materials to be distributed to laboratories | 23,000 |
| - Joint exercises on monitoring and intercomparison of results including sampling and analysis of split samples, expert assistance to laboratories for sampling, analysis, presentation and evaluation of results and improved arrangement for dissemination of relevant scientific material | 100,000 |
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<u>Monitoring:</u>	
- Assistance through agreements for monitoring programmes	580,000
Component total	858,000
4. MEETINGS/TRAINING/WORKSHOPS/FELLOWSHIPS	
<u>MEETINGS:</u>	
- Scientific and Technical Committee	55,000
<u>Data quality assurance:</u>	
- <u>Ad hoc</u> consultation meeting on data processing	7,500
- <u>Ad hoc</u> consultation meeting on monitoring	7,500
<u>TRAINING:</u>	
- On-the-job training (through the secretariat)	80,000
<u>FELLOWSHIPS:</u>	
- Attendance at meetings	35,000
Component total	185,000
5. EQUIPMENT	
(a) <u>Expendable:</u>	
Spare parts for common maintenance services (through IAEA)	35,000
(b) <u>Non-expendable:</u>	
Laboratory equipment (to ILMR), purchase and maintenance	20,000
Component total	55,000
TOTAL CHAPTER 3	1,457,000

SECTION I
CHAPTER 4 - MED POL - RESEARCH

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A. SUBCONTRACTS	
Activities A-L	285,000
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Component total	285,000
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B. MEETINGS	
Consultation Meeting on the determination of microbiological pollution in coastal marine waters in the Mediterranean (Activity A/D/K)	15,000
Consultation Meeting on programmes and measures in connexion with Art. 7 of the LBS Protocol (Activity E)	15,000
Workshop on monitoring and assessment of the airborne pollution (Activity L)	15,000
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Component total	45,000
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TOTAL CHAPTER 4	330,000
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SECTION I
CHAPTER 5 - REGIONAL OIL COMBATING CENTRE

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1. PERSONNEL		
(a) <u>Experts/Staff</u>		
Director, P-5	12	68,000
Technical Expert, P-4	12	60,000
Chemist/documentalist, P-3	12	46,000
(b) <u>Consultants</u>		
		7,000
(c) <u>Administrative support</u>		
- Administrative Assistant, G-4	12	20,000
- Information Officer, G-4	12	20,000
- Bilingual Secretary/Word Processor Operator, G-3	12	17,000
- Typist/Telephone/Telex Operator, G-2	12	14,500
- Caretaker/Documents reproducer, G-2	12	14,500
2. TRAVEL		16,000
3. SUB-CONTRACTS		-
Component total		283,000
4. MEETINGS/TRAINING/WORKSHOPS/FELLOWSHIPS		
- Group training, workshops		80,000
- Fellowships		5,000
Component total		85,000

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5. EQUIPMENT	
(a) Expendable Equipment	5,000
(b) Non-Expendable Equipment	4,000
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Component total	9,000
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6. RENTAL AND MAINTENANCE OF PREMISES	
- Rental	host country
- Maintenance	2,000
7. OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF EQUIPMENT-	
8. REPORTING COSTS	7,000
9. SUNDRY	38,000
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Component total	47,000
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TOTAL CHAPTER 5	424,000
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SECTION I	
<u>CHAPTER 6 - TRAINING AND EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION</u>	
- Support to training courses	60,000
- Trainees at Med Unit	5,000
- MEDWAVES (English/French) four issues a year	30,000
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TOTAL CHAPTER 6	95,000
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SECTION II
CHAPTER 1 - BLUE PLAN

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1. PERSONNEL	
(a) Experts/staff	
- Technical expert	70,000
(b) Consultants	
- Scientific adviser (part time)	50,000
- Consultants (for workshop and visits to countries)	35,000
(c) Administrative support	
- Statistician (part time)	20,000
- Secretary/documentalist	30,000
Component total	205,000
2. TRAVEL ON OFFICIAL BUSINESS	
Missions to countries and to meetings	30,000
3. Sub-Contracts	Nil
4. TRAINING AND MEETINGS	
Workshop on exchanges and methodology for producing national and coastal scenarios	60,000
5. EQUIPMENT	Nil
6. RENTAL AND MAINTENANCE OF PREMISES	Nil
7. OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF EQUIPMENT	10,000
Gathering and updating of information	
8. REPORTING COSTS	
Translations, publications, information dissemination	30,000
9. SUNDRY	15,000
TOTAL CHAPTER 1	350,000

Note: Other costs covered by the French counterpart contribution

SECTION II
 CHAPTER 2 - PRIORITY ACTIONS PROGRAMME

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1. PERSONNEL		
(a) Experts		
- Director	6	35,000
- Project Co-ordinator	6	20,000
(b) Consultants		175,000
(c) Administrative support		50,000
Component total		280,000
2. TRAVEL		
		32,000
3. SUBCONTRACTS		
(1) Integrated planning - Country pilot projects: planning team members for projects on Syrian coast, Izmir Bay, Kastela Bay and Rhodes		47,000
(2) Supporting organisation, support to individual priority actions		15,000
Component total		62,000
4. TRAINING AND MEETINGS		
- 5 joint team meetings on methodology, collection of data and preparatory activities for 3 country pilot projects - integrated planning priority action		50,000
- Workshop on code of practice for reuse of waste water		20,000
- Workshop on historic settlements		20,000
- Workshop on tourism		24,000
- Two workshops on soil erosion 50% funding		25,000
- Evaluation meeting on Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA)		25,000
- Training course in French, on liquid waste treatment		50,000
- Training course in French, on renewable energy sources		35,000
Component total		249,000

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5. EQUIPMENT		
(a) Expendable		4,000
(b) Non-expendable		9,000
Component total		13,000
6. RENTAL AND MAINTENANCE OF PREMISES		-Nil
7. OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF EQUIPMENT		4,000
8. REPORTING COSTS		28,000
9. SUNDRY		42,000
TOTAL CHAPTER 2		710,000

SECTION II
CHAPTER 3 - SPECIALLY PROTECTED AREAS

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1. PERSONNEL		
(a) <u>Experts/Consultants</u>		
- Expert	12	50,000
- Data researcher	12	40,000
- Consultants		60,000
(b) <u>Administrative support</u>		
- Secretary	12	8,000
- Driver/Messenger	12	5,000
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Component Total		163,000
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2. TRAVEL		15,000
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3. SUB-CONTRACTS		10,000
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4. MEETINGS		15,000
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5. EQUIPMENT		
- Expendable		2,000
- Non-expendable		3,000
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6. RENTAL AND MAINTENANCE OF PREMISES		host country
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7. OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF EQUIPMENT		5,000
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8. REPORTING COSTS		15,000
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9. SUNDRY		
- Communication, postage, freight		12,000
- Hospitality		2,000
- Miscellaneous		3,000
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TOTAL CHAPTER 3		245,000
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ANNEX III

Statement on the Protection of the
Mediterranean

The Expanded Bureau of the Mediterranean Action Plan, which met in Athens on the 1st and 2nd of November 1988, expressed its great interest in the realisation of a global and coherent environmental strategy in the Mediterranean.

All the Mediterranean countries take fully into account the importance of the Mediterranean region for both the citizens of the whole Europe who visit the area during the summer, and the preservation of the cultural and ecological continuity and balance of Europe.

Keeping always in mind that environmental investments are also productive and contribute towards sustainable development, the Mediterranean countries welcome appropriate and more effective European Community action for the protection of the Mediterranean environment.

ANNEX IV

Transboundary Movements of Hazardous Wastes

The Expanded Bureau of the Contracting Parties to the Barcelona Convention and its related protocols, met on 1 and 2 November 1988, took note of the concern expressed by a number of delegations with regard to the transboundary movement and eventual unauthorized disposal of hazardous waste and recognized that the Mediterranean states should be vigilant so that existing relevant legislation at national or international level be respected.

Furthermore, it was noticed that in a number of international fora, co-operation on this topic had made progress at a world or regional scale: UNEP, WHO, IMO, OECD, European Community (Directive of 1984/1986), meetings of African countries etc. More particularly the Bureau was pleased to note the progress of work for the preparation of the international Convention on the control of transboundary movements of hazardous wastes under the auspices of UNEP. It expressed the hope that the participants would make an active contribution in order to ensure the full success of the Conference scheduled in Bâle in March 1989.

Pending the adoption of that Convention and the implementation of its provisions, the Bureau appealed to the Contracting Parties to the Barcelona Convention and its related Protocols for further co-operation. In addition, it was requested that the Contracting Parties contribute actively in the dissemination and exchange of relevant information, with a view to preventing, reducing and combating the pollution related to transboundary movements and disposal of hazardous wastes in the Mediterranean.