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and
Annotated Provisional Agenda

**Intergovernmental Review Meeting on the Implementation of the
Global Programme of Action for the Protection of the
Marine Environment from Land-based Activities
Second session
Beijing, 16–20 October 2006**

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 - (b) Adoption of the agenda;
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 - (a) Opening panel discussion on the way forward with national programmes of action;
 - (b) Parallel breakout groups:^{*}
 - (i) Group A: Mainstreaming the Global Programme of Action into national development planning;
 - (ii) Group B: Financing the implementation of the Global Programme of Action;
 - (iii) Group C: Strengthening legislative and institutional frameworks to further the implementation of the Global Programme of Action.
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 - (a) Report from day one;
 - (b) Introduction to the partnerships day;
 - (c) Parallel partnership workshops.^{*}
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 - (a) Report from day two;
 - (b) Review of accomplishments, focussing on progress in implementing the Global Programme of Action for the Protection of the Marine Environment from Land-based Activities at the international, regional and national levels in the period 2002–2006;

^{*}The working language for the breakout groups and workshops will be English.

- (c) Discussion on the document entitled “Guidance to the implementation of the Global Programme of Action for the Protection of the Marine Environment from Land-based Activities for 2007–2011: Global Programme of Action contribution to the internationally agreed goals and targets for the sustainable development of oceans, coasts and islands”;
- (d) Discussion on the programme of work of the United Nations Environment Programme Global Programme of Action Coordination Office for 2007–2011;
- (e) Discussion on the draft elements of a Beijing declaration on furthering the implementation of the Global Programme of Action.

7. Ministerial/high-level segment:

- (a) Opening statements:
 - (i) Opening remarks by the representative of the People’s Republic of China;
 - (ii) Opening remarks by the representative of the United Nations Environment Programme;
- (b) Report from days one to three;
- (c) Ministerial/high-level discussion:
 - (i) Presentations and moderated debate on the importance of oceans, coasts and islands and their associated watersheds, and the way forward;
 - (ii) Parallel regional groups on building momentum and partnerships;*
- (d) Presentation of the Chair’s summary of discussions at the ministerial/high-level segment;
- (e) Adoption of the Beijing Declaration on Furthering the Implementation of the Global Programme of Action.

8. Other matters.

9. Adoption of the report of the session.

10. Closure of the session.

*The working language for the regional groups will be English.



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Item 2 (b) of the provisional agenda*

Adoption of the agenda

**Second session of the Intergovernmental Review Meeting on the
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Protection of the Marine Environment from Land-based
Activities**

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Addendum

Annotated provisional agenda and organization of work

Item 1: Opening of the session

1. The second session of the Intergovernmental Review Meeting on the Implementation of the Global Programme of Action for the Protection of the Marine Environment from Land-based Activities is being held pursuant to United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) Governing Council/Global Ministerial Environment Forum decision SS.VII/6 of 15 February 2002, which endorsed the outcomes of the first session of the Intergovernmental Review of Meeting on the Implementation of the Global Programme of Action, in particular, paragraph 15 of the Montreal Declaration on the Protection of the Marine Environment from Land-based Activities.

2. The Government of France kindly hosted an informal preparatory meeting for the second session of the Intergovernmental Review Meeting in Paris from 27 to 28 June 2006. The documents to be discussed during the second session were revised and improved during that preparatory meeting.

3. The second session of the Intergovernmental Review Meeting will be held at the Beijing International Convention Center, Beijing, and will begin at 10 a.m. on Monday, 16 October 2006. Opening statements will be made by the Minister of the State Environmental Protection Administration, People's Republic of China on behalf of the host Government, and by the Executive Director of the United Nations Environment Programme, or by representatives of those individuals. A representative from the host

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country of the first session of the Intergovernmental Review Meeting, Canada, will also make opening remarks.

Item 2: Organization of the session

(a) Election of officers

4. The rules of procedure of the UNEP Governing Council will be applied *mutatis mutandis*. The Intergovernmental Review Meeting will elect its chair, who, in line with custom, will be provided by the host Government. The Meeting will also be invited to elect from among the participants three co-chairs and a rapporteur, with due regard to the principle of equitable geographical representation. These officers will constitute the Bureau.

(b) Adoption of the agenda

5. The provisional agenda (UNEP/GPA/IGR.2/1), as proposed by the Executive Director, will be submitted for consideration and adoption by the Intergovernmental Review Meeting. The documents available to the Meeting are listed below and in document UNEP/GPA/IGR.2/INF/1.

(c) Organization of work

6. The Executive Director recommends that the session be divided into two segments. The first would feature government representatives and other stakeholders and take place from Monday, 16 October to Wednesday, 18 October 2006. It would consider items 1 to 6 of the provisional agenda. The second would comprise a ministerial/high-level segment on Thursday, 19 October and Friday, 20 October 2006, to consider items 7 to 10 of the provisional agenda.

7. It is proposed that the discussions between government representatives and other stakeholders, held on days one to three, take the form of both plenary meetings and parallel breakout group sessions. Co-chairs for each day will be elected from the members of the Bureau. The Meeting may also wish to establish working groups as and when necessary.

8. Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Russian and Spanish will be the working languages of the second session. Simultaneous interpretation in these languages will be provided for the plenary meetings. The three parallel breakout group discussions on the afternoon of Monday, 16 October will be conducted in English and translated into Chinese. The partnership workshops on Tuesday, 17 October will be primarily conducted in English. The working documents of the second session will be available in all official languages, while the information documents will be available in English only.

Documentation	
UNEP/GPA/IGR.2/1	Provisional agenda
UNEP/GPA/IGR.2/1/Add.1	Annotated provisional agenda and organization of work
UNEP/GPA/IGR.2/2	Progress in implementing the Global Programme of Action for the Protection of the Marine Environment from Land-based Activities at the international, regional and national levels in the period 2002–2006
UNEP/GPA/IGR.2/3	Guidance to the implementation of the Global Programme of Action for the Protection of the Marine Environment from Land-based Activities for 2007–2011: Global Programme of Action contribution to the internationally agreed goals and targets for the sustainable development of oceans, coasts and islands
UNEP/GPA/IGR.2/4	Programme of work of the United Nations Environment Programme Global Programme of Action Coordination Office for 2007–2011
UNEP/GPA/IGR.2/5	Draft elements of a Beijing declaration on furthering the implementation of the Global Programme of Action
UNEP/GPA/IGR.2/6	Ministerial/high-level segment background paper
UNEP/GPA/IGR.2/INF/1	List of documents
UNEP/GPA/IGR.2/INF/2	Summary report of voluntary national reporting on the implementation of the Global Programme of Action
UNEP/GPA/IGR.2/INF/3	Information note for the breakout sessions on day one: National implementation in action
UNEP/GPA/IGR.2/INF/4	Information note for day two: Partnerships – mainstreaming the Global

	Programme of Action
UNEP/GPA/IGR.2/INF/5	List of UNEP Global Programme of Action publications prepared as inputs to the second session of the Intergovernmental Review Meeting

Item 3: Opening of the poster exhibit

9. Representatives from the State Environmental Protection Administration, People's Republic of China and the United Nations Environment Programme will officially open the second session's poster exhibit, which will run from 16 to 20 October 2006 at the Beijing International Convention Centre.

Item 4: Day one: National implementation in action

(a) Opening panel discussion on the way forward with national programmes of action

10. Implementing the Global Programme of Action ultimately depends on the political determination of Governments to undertake tangible action to address the underlying causes of marine degradation resulting from land-based activities. Actions need to be country driven, assisted by an enabling environment and sustained through regional frameworks and international cooperation. More than 60 countries are currently preparing or implementing national programmes of action addressing land-based sources of pollution and the physical alteration and destruction of coastal habitats. Many countries implement the Global Programme of Action in the framework of other sustainable development policies, strategies and programmes, and therefore do not necessarily embark on a separate national programme of action. To assist in the implementation of such programmes, the UNEP Global Programme of Action Coordination Office revised the 2002 UNEP Handbook on the Development and Implementation of a National Programme of Action for the Protection of the Marine Environment from Land-based Activities, and published a new document entitled "Protecting coastal and marine environments from land-based activities: A guide for national action" in 2006. This document will be presented and a discussion panel will subsequently address lessons learned in the national implementation of the Global Programme of Action from a regional and subregional perspective.

(b) Parallel breakout groups

11. It is recommended that three breakout groups be convened to provide an opportunity for participants to share experience and best practice approaches in the implementation of national programmes of action. The groups will focus on identifying, scaling up and expanding the implementation of best practices. The innovative approaches and underlying principles that underpin the success of those practices will be presented to the ministerial/high-level segment of the second session.

12. The breakout groups will address the following themes:

- (i) Group A: Mainstreaming the Global Programme of Action into national development planning.
- (ii) Group B: Financing the implementation of the Global Programme of Action.
- (iii) Group C: Strengthening legislative and institutional frameworks to further the implementation of the Global Programme of Action.

Documentation	
UNEP/GPA/IGR.2/INF/2	Summary report of voluntary national reporting on the implementation of the Global Programme of Action.
UNEP/GPA/IGR.2/INF/3	Information note for the breakout sessions on day one: National implementation in action.
UNEP/GPA/IGR.2/INF/5	List of UNEP Global Programme of Action publications prepared as input to the second session of the Intergovernmental Review Meeting.

Item 5: Day two: Partnerships – mainstreaming the Global Programme of Action

(a) Report from day one

13. The Co-chair that will preside on Tuesday will request Monday's Co-chair to present a report on the discussions that took place the previous day and the conclusions reached. Brief discussion will follow. It is expected that a report of day one will be finalized and forwarded to the ministerial/high-level segment.

(b) Introduction to the partnerships day

14. The presiding Co-chair will introduce the purpose and expected outcomes of the partnerships day. While implementing the Global Programme of Action is primarily the task of national Governments, many other non-state actors, including non-governmental organizations, intergovernmental organizations and the private sector play a crucial role in implementing the Global Programme of Action either through their own activities or in partnership with Governments and other stakeholders. Existing and newly formed partnerships will meet and chart a course of action for the coming five years.

(c) Parallel partnership workshops

15. Over 20 partnership workshops will be held throughout day two. Each will run for one and a half hours and will address the theme of "mainstreaming the Global Programme of Action".

Documentation	
UNEP/GPA/IGR.2/INF/4	Information note for day two: Partnerships – mainstreaming the Global Programme of Action

Item 6: Day three: Building a common agenda

(a) Report from day two

16. The Co-chair that will preside on Wednesday will request Tuesday's Co-chair to present a report on the work of the partnership workshops. Brief discussion will follow. It is expected that a report of the discussions on day two will be finalized and forwarded to the ministerial/high-level segment. The Co-chair of day three will then provide an overview of the expected outcomes of the day.

(b) Review of accomplishments, focussing on progress in implementing the Global Programme of Action for the Protection of the Marine Environment from Land-based Activities at the international, regional and national levels in the period 2002-2006

17. In accordance with paragraph 77 of the Global Programme of Action, the secretariat will introduce a progress report on the implementation of the Global Programme of Action and the accomplishments of the UNEP Global Programme of Action Coordination Office since 2002, as an aid to charting a path for the future.

(c) Discussion on the document entitled "Guidance on the Implementation of the Global Programme of Action for the Protection of the Marine Environment from Land-based Activities for 2007-2011: Global Programme of Action contribution to the internationally agreed goals and targets for the sustainable development of oceans, coasts and islands"

18. The Global Programme of Action is the only global action programme that addresses the inter-linkages between freshwater and the coastal environment. It is a flexible non-binding instrument that contributes to the sustainable development of coasts, oceans and islands in an adaptive manner and under changing realities. Because of its cross-sectoral character, the Global Programme of Action remains relevant and well suited to respond to new challenges associated with the impact of land-based activities on the coastal and marine environment.

19. The secretariat will introduce the document entitled "Guidance to the Implementation of the Global Programme of Action for the Protection of the Marine Environment from Land-based Activities for 2007-2011: Global Programme of Action contribution to the internationally agreed goals and targets for the sustainable development of oceans, coasts and islands". The purpose of the document is to promote the Global Programme of Action as a valuable tool that can contribute to achieving the goals and targets for the sustainable development of oceans, coasts and islands that the international community has agreed to in the last five years. The document was prepared by the UNEP Global Programme of Action Coordination Office, with input from the Regional Seas Programmes, UNEP regional offices, major international and regional groups, and participants in the informal preparatory meeting for the second session of the Intergovernmental Review Meeting.

20. The Meeting will be invited to discuss the guidance document with a view to recommending that it be welcomed at the ministerial/high-level segment.

(d) Discussion on the programme of work of the UNEP Global Programme of Action Coordination Office for 2007–2011

21. The secretariat will introduce the programme of work, highlighting its contribution to international cross-cutting objectives, main activities at the international, regional and national level, and the human and financial resources required to mainstream and implement the strategic direction of the programme of work for 2007–2011.

22. The Meeting will be invited to consider and revise, as appropriate, the programme of work for the UNEP Global Programme of Action Coordination Office for 2007–2011, which will be forwarded to the ministerial/high-level segment of the session for endorsement and to the Governing Council of UNEP for further consideration.

(e) Discussion on the draft elements of a Beijing declaration on furthering the implementation of the Global Programme of Action

23. The draft elements of a Beijing declaration on furthering the implementation of the Global Programme of Action, discussed during the informal preparatory meeting held prior to the second session, will be presented to the Meeting for discussion. The declaration is expected to include elements on improving the implementation of the Global Programme of Action through mainstreaming and integrating it into national development planning, improving coastal and ocean governance, building partnerships and ensuring adequate financing.

24. The Meeting will be invited to consider and revise, as appropriate, a draft Beijing declaration on furthering the implementation of the Global Programme of Action, which will be forwarded to the ministerial/high-level segment of the session for adoption.

Documentation	
UNEP/GPA/IGR.2/2	Progress in implementing the Global Programme of Action for the Protection of the Marine Environment from Land-based Activities at the international, regional and national levels in the period 2002–2006
UNEP/GPA/IGR.2/3	Guidance to the implementation of the Global Programme of Action for the Protection of the Marine Environment from Land-based Activities 2007-2011: Global Programme of Action contribution to the internationally agreed goals and targets for the sustainable development of oceans, coasts and islands
UNEP/GPA/IGR.2/4	Programme of work of the UNEP Global Programme of Action Coordination Office for 2007–2011
UNEP/GPA/IGR.2/5	Draft elements of a Beijing declaration on furthering the implementation of the Global Programme of Action

Item 7: Ministerial/high-level segment

(a) Opening statements:

25. Two opening statements will be made at the commencement of the ministerial/high-level segment.

26. The chair of the session, the Minister of the State Environmental Protection Administration, People’s Republic of China, will address the ministerial/high-level segment.

27. The Executive Director of UNEP will address the ministers and high-level representatives present, highlighting the importance and contribution of the Global Programme of Action to the protection of the marine environment.

(b) Report from days one to three

28. The Chair will invite the Rapporteur and the Co-chairs to report on the main issues, conclusions and recommendations from the preceding days.

(c) Ministerial/high-level discussions

(i) Presentations and moderated debate on the importance of oceans, coasts and islands, and their associated watersheds, and the way forward

29. Presentations will be made outlining the current state of the marine environment and the practical implementation of the circular economy approach.

30. The Meeting will be invited to discuss how to mainstream the Global Programme of Action and to consider the role of the United Nations and other organizations and stakeholders, including civil society, in its implementation. Based on the outcomes of the first three days of the session, the ministers and high-level representatives may wish to deliberate and make recommendations regarding the Global Programme of Action as a catalytic, integrative and flexible instrument for the sustainable development of oceans, coasts and islands, and their associated watersheds, with a particular focus on:

(a) The strategic direction to be taken at the national level in the period 2007–2011, to integrate and mainstream the Global Programme of Action into development planning, including domestic and international financing, and with appropriate regional and global frameworks;

(b) Means to strengthen implementation of the Global Programme of Action at the regional level, through the regional seas conventions and action plans, and other related mechanisms and partnerships;

(c) Specific national, regional and international action that representatives may wish to undertake to promote the Global Programme of Action as an effective and flexible instrument for furthering the sustainable development of oceans, coasts and islands, and their associated watersheds.

Documentation	
UNEP/GPA/IGR.2/6	Ministerial/high-level segment background paper
	In-session reports from days one, two and three

(ii) Parallel regional groups on building momentum and partnerships

31. To develop and integrate the outcomes of the discussions during the first three days of the second session, regions are invited to convene multi-stakeholder regional or subregional group discussions to be held concurrently with the ministerial/high level segment. These regional groups will provide an informal forum for participants to discuss and agree on ways to take the emerging outcomes of the second session of the Intergovernmental Review Meeting forward at the regional and subregional levels and to build synergies and partnerships to further regional and subregional initiatives as they relate to the sustainable development of oceans, coasts and islands, and their associated watersheds.

(d) Presentation of the Chair’s summary of discussions at the ministerial/high-level segment

32. The Chair will invite the Rapporteur and the Co-chairs of the second session to report on the main issues, conclusions and recommendations from the ministerial/high-level segment discussions.

(e) Adoption of the Beijing Declaration on Furthering the Implementation of the Global Programme of Action

33. Further to the discussions on the draft elements of a Beijing declaration on furthering the implementation of the Global Programme of Action, the ministers and high-level representatives will be invited to adopt the Beijing Declaration, with amendments as appropriate.

34. Further to the discussions held at the ministerial/high-level segment, the ministers and high-level representatives will also be invited to consider and endorse, as appropriate, the recommendations arising from the discussions conducted during the first two days of the second session; and the programme of work for the UNEP Global Programme of Action Coordination Office for 2007–2011. They may also wish to welcome the document entitled “Guidance to the Implementation of the Global Programme of Action for the Protection of the Marine Environment from Land-Based Activities for 2007–2011: Global Programme of Action contribution to the internationally agreed goals and targets for the sustainable development of oceans, coasts and islands”.

Item 8: Other matters

35. The Meeting may decide to consider any other business relevant to the protection of the marine environment from land-based activities and the Global Programme of Action.

Item 9: Adoption of the report of the session

36. The Rapporteur will present the draft report to the Meeting, for its adoption, subject to amendment, as appropriate.

Item 10: Closure of the session

37. The ministerial/high-level segment will be closed by the Chair and the Executive Director of UNEP. The Meeting is expected to conclude its work by 5 p.m. on Friday, 20 October 2006.

Documentation	
UNEP/GPA/IGR.2/3	Guidance to the implementation of the Global Programme of Action for the Protection of the Marine Environment from Land-based Activities for 2007-2011: Global Programme of Action contribution to the internationally agreed goals and targets for the sustainable development of oceans, coasts and islands
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	In-session reports from days one, two and three

Annex

Provisional timetable of meetings and events

Monday, 16 October 2006

National implementation in action

Plenary 10 a.m. – 1 p.m.
Formal opening of the session
Item 1: Opening of the meeting
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Opening remarks by Mr. Zhou Shengxian, Minister of the State Environmental Protection Administration, People's Republic of China• Welcoming remarks by Mr. Achim Steiner, Executive Director of UNEP• A representative from the host country of the first Intergovernmental Review Meeting, Canada, will also make opening remarks
Item 2: Organization of the meeting
<ul style="list-style-type: none">(a) Election of officers(b) Adoption of the agenda(c) Organization of work
Item 3: Opening of the poster exhibit
----- Short break -----
Item 4: National implementation in action
<ul style="list-style-type: none">(a) Presentation: "Protecting coastal and marine environments from land-based activities: A guide for national action"(b) Panel discussion on the way forward with national programmes of action. Remarks from various regions. Panellists to be confirmed.

Parallel group discussions 3 p.m. – 6 p.m.		
Item 4 (continued): National implementation in action		
Group A Mainstreaming the Global Programme of Action into national development planning	Group B Financing the implementation of the Global Programme of Action	Group C Strengthening legislative and institutional frameworks to further the implementation of the Global Programme of Action

Social event 6.30 p.m. (venue to be identified)
Reception hosted by the State Environmental Protection Administration

Tuesday, 17 October 2006

Partnerships – mainstreaming the Global Programme of Action

Plenary						
10 a.m. – 10.30 a.m.						
Item 5: Partnerships – mainstreaming the Global Programme of Action						
(a) Report from day one						
(b) Introduction to the partnerships day						
Parallel partnership workshops						
10.30 a.m. – 6 p.m.						
Time	Room 1	Room 2	Room 3	Room 4	Room 5	Room 6
10.30 a.m. – 11.30 a.m.	1*	4	8	12	15	19
11.45 a.m. – 1 p.m.	1 (cont.)	5	9	12 (cont.)	16	20
3 p.m. – 4.20 p.m.	2	6	10	13	17	21
4.40 p.m. – 6 p.m.	3	7	11	14	18	21 (cont.)

Provisional list of partnership workshops:

1. Strategic partnerships for international waters in the Global Environmental Facility (GEF): Mainstreaming the Global Programme of Action in transboundary basins and large marine ecosystems.
2. UNEP/GEF strategic partnership for the Mediterranean large marine ecosystem: Strengthening protection from land-based sources of pollution and conservation of biodiversity.
3. Local government implementation of the Global Programme of Action: Partnerships in integrated management of coastal and marine areas.
4. World oceans network.
5. Oceans library.
6. Municipal wastewater and sanitation (UNEP, World Health Organization (WHO), United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat), Water Supply and Sanitation Collaborative Council (WSSCC), United Nations Children’s Fund (UNICEF), United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization Institute for Water Education (UNESCO-IHE)).
7. Oceans training (International Ocean Institute (IOI), GEF International Waters Learning Exchange and Resource Network (IW: LEARN), UNESCO-IHE, United Nations Division of Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea, UNDP-GEF, European Commission, UNEP Global Programme of Action Coordination Office Train-Sea-Coast Unit).
8. Regional seas conventions and land-based sources and activities protocols partnership.
9. Advancing Johannesburg Plan of Implementation targets on ecosystem management and in integrated coastal and ocean management through the Global Programme of Action.
10. Global partnership for marine litter.
11. Establishing a London Convention/Global Programme of Action/regional seas partnership.
12. Information portal on waste management for small island developing States (Global Programme of Action, Alliance of Small Island States (AOISIS), UNEP Division of Technology, Industry and Economics).
13. Tourism’s ecological footprint in small island developing States.
14. Pacific islands solid waste regional collaboration, coral reef and financing initiatives.

* The numbers in the table refer to the 21 partnership workshops set out in the provisional list below.

15. Integrating stakeholders in sustainable freshwater and coastal management at the local and national level in the wider Caribbean (National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration and UNEP Global Programme of Action Coordination Office).
16. WW2BW: White Water to Blue Water.
17. China–Africa and China–Arabic partnership for environmental cooperation.
18. Demonstration of an integrated freshwater and coastal management approach for the Xiamen-Zhangzhou-LongYan region of Fujian Province.
19. IUCN – The World Conservation Union and UNEP partnership
20. Community of Portuguese-speaking countries (Comunidade dos Paises de Lingua Portuguesa)
21. Business and industry round-table

Official signing of various memorandums of understanding

18.30 p.m. (venue to be identified)

To be confirmed

Wednesday, 18 October 2006

Building a common agenda

Plenary 10 a.m. – 1 p.m.
Item 6: Building a common agenda <ul style="list-style-type: none">(a) Report back from day two(b) Review of accomplishments. Presentation of the report entitled “Progress in implementing the Global Programme of Action for the Protection of the Marine Environment from Land-based Activities at the international, regional and national levels in the period 2002–2006”(c) Discussion on the document “Guidance to the Implementation of the Global Programme of Action for the Protection of the Marine Environment from Land-based Activities for 2007–2011: Global Programme of Action contribution to goals and targets for the sustainable development of oceans, coasts and islands”

Plenary 3 p.m. – 6 p.m.	Parallel session 1 p.m. – 5 p.m.
Item 6 (continued): Building a common agenda <ul style="list-style-type: none">(d) Discussion on the programme of work of the UNEP Global Programme of Action Coordination Office for 2007–2011(e) Discussion on the draft elements of a Beijing declaration on furthering the implementation of the Global Programme of Action	China Forum (organized by the State Environmental Protection Administration)

Social event 6.30 p.m. (venue to be identified)
Reception hosted by the Executive Director of UNEP

Thursday, 19 October 2006

Ministerial/high-level segment

Plenary 10 a.m. – 1 p.m.
Item 7: Ministerial/high-level segment
(a) Opening statements
(i) Remarks by the Chair of the session, Mr. Zhou Shengxian, Minister, State Environmental Protection Administration, People's Republic of China
(ii) Remarks by Mr. Achim Steiner, Executive Director of UNEP
(b) Report from days one to three
----- Short break -----
(c) Ministerial/high-level discussions
• Presentation by Ms. Sylvia A. Earle, Executive Director, Global Marine Program, Conservation International and Explorer-in-Residence at the National Geographic Society
• Presentation by Mr. Zhaoqian Li, Mayor, Rizhao City, People's Republic of China

Plenary 3 p.m. – 6 p.m.	Regional sessions 3 p.m. – 6 p.m.
Item 7 (c) (cont.): Ministerial/high-level segment	Regional implementation of the Global Programme of Action: Building momentum and partnerships.
• Discussion on the importance of oceans, coasts and islands, and their associated watersheds and the way forward	

Social event 18:30 (venue to be identified)
Reception hosted by the Minister, State Environmental Protection Administration, People's Republic of China

Friday, 20 October 2006

Ministerial/high-level segment

Plenary 10 a.m. – 1 p.m.	Regional sessions 10 a.m. – 1 p.m.
Item 7 (c) (cont.): Ministerial/high-level segment <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Discussion on the importance of oceans, coasts and islands and their associated watershed and the way forward.	Regional implementation of the Global Programme of Action: Building momentum and partnerships.

Plenary 3 p.m. – 5 p.m.
Item 7 (cont.): Ministerial/high-level segment <ul style="list-style-type: none">(d) Presentation of the Chair's summary of the ministerial/high-level segment discussions(e) Adoption of the Beijing Declaration on Furthering the Implementation of the Global Programme of Action Item 8: Other matters Item 9: Adoption of the report of the session Item 10: Closure of the session