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Meeting of MAP National Focal Points

Athens, 7-9 July 1997

ANNOTATED PROVISIONAL AGENDA

Introduction

The Extraordinary Meeting of the Contracting Parties (Montpellier, 1-4 July 1996) decided to convene the meeting of the National Focal Points (NFP) in Athens, on 7-9 July 1997. The objectives of the meeting are to consider the progress of the Action Plan and prepare the 1998-1999 programme budget.

The following annotations to the proposed agenda for the present meeting were prepared by the Secretariat to assist the meeting in its deliberations.

Agenda item 1: Opening of the Meeting

The Meeting will be opened at 10.00 hours on Monday, 7 July 1997 at the Divani Caravel Hotel, 2 Vas. Alexandrou Avenue, Athens, by the Coordinator of the Mediterranean Action Plan (MAP). All MAP Focal Points have been invited to send representatives. Representatives of relevant International Organizations and Non-Governmental Organizations 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 protocols will apply *mutatis mutandis* to the Meeting (UNEP/IG.43/6, Annex XI).

Agenda item 3: Election of officers

In accordance with the amended Rule 20 of the Rules of Procedure, the Meeting shall elect from among the representatives of the Contracting Parties, a Chairman, four 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 in document UNEP(OCA)/MED WG.129/1 and annotated in the present document, will be proposed for adoption by the meeting.

The Provisional Agenda was prepared by the Secretariat in consultation with the Bureau of the Contracting Parties, and the Directors of the Regional Activity Centres. *Ad-hoc* discussion groups or drafting sub-committees may be formed by the meeting, in consultation with the Secretariat. The meeting will review and adopt the proposed timetable appearing in the Annex to the present document.

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

Agenda item 5: Progress report by the Coordinator on the implementation of the Mediterranean Action Plan during 1996-1997

The Coordinator will give a general introduction of document UNEP(OCA)/MED WG.129/3, "Progress Report by the Coordinator on the implementation of activities carried out since the last meeting of the Contracting Parties - August 1996 - May 1997". The meeting is expected to comment and take note of the activities carried out during this period.

Agenda item 6: Review of the activities of the Blue Plan for 1996-1997

The last meeting of the Bureau of the Contracting Parties (Palma de Majorca, Spain, 9 May 1997), decided that the meeting of the MAP Focal Points shall act as the focal point for the BP and PAP Centres and should devote one session at the beginning of its meeting to review the activities of these two RAC Centres. Accordingly, the present meeting of the National Focal Points shall have before it a progress report which will be introduced by the President of the Blue Plan, on the activities of the Blue Plan Centre covering the period August 1996 to May 1997, contained in document UNEP(OCA)/MED WG.129/3, section B(b). The meeting is expected to comment on the progress report relevant to the BP Centre.

Agenda item 7: Review of the activities of the Priority Actions Programme (PAP/RAC) for 1996-1997

The last meeting of the Bureau of the Contracting Parties (Palma de Majorca, Spain, 9 May 1997), decided that the meeting of the MAP National Focal Points shall act as the focal point for the BP and PAP Centres and should devote one session at the beginning of its meeting to review the activities of these two RAC Centres. Accordingly, the present meeting of the National Focal Points shall have before it a progress report which will be introduced by the Director of the PAP Centre covering the period August 1996 to May 1997 contained in document UNEP(OCA)/MED WG.129/3, section B (c). The Meeting is expected to comment on the progress report relevant to the PAP Centre.

Agenda item 8: Recommendations and programme budget for 1998-1999 biennium and contributions by the Contracting Parties to the Mediterranean Trust Fund (MTF) for 1988 and 1999

The Coordinator will give a general introduction of document UNEP(OCA)/MED WG.129/4 "Recommendations and Programme Budget for 1998-1999 - Proposal by the Secretariat". The Meeting will also have before it document UNEP(OCA)/MED WG.129/5 "Draft Resolution Concerning the Regional Strategy as Regards the Prevention of the Pollution of the Marine Environment by Ships".

The Meeting is expected to concentrate its work on the recommendations and the budget document and take the necessary decisions on the various sub-agenda items and their relevant recommendations and budgets.

Agenda item 9: Other business

Other issues relevant to the Mediterranean Action Plan 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 10: Adoption of the report of the meeting

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

Agenda item 11: Closure of the meeting

The meeting is expected to be closed by the Chairman at 13.00 hours on Wednesday, 9 July 1997.

ANNEX

DRAFT PROGRAMME

DATE	PLENARY
Monday 7 July 1996	10.00 am - 11.00 am
	Agenda item 1 - Opening
	Agenda item 2 - Rules of procedure
	Agenda item 3 - Election of officers
	Agenda item 4 - Adoption of the agenda
	Agenda item 5 - Progress report by the Coordinator
	11.00 am - 11.30 am
	Coffee Break
	11.30 am - 12.30 am
	Agenda item 5 - Progress report by the Coordinator
	14.30 pm - 16.00 pm
	Agenda item 6 - Review of BP activities
	16.00 pm - 16.30 pm
	Coffee Break
	16.30 pm - 18.00 pm
	Agenda item 7 - Review of PAP activities

DATE	PLENARY
Tuesday, 8 July 1997	0.930 am - 11.00 am
	<p>Agenda item 8 - Recommendations and programme budget for 1988/1999</p> <p>8.1 Coordination 8.2 Pollution prevention and control</p>
	11.00 am - 11.30 am
	Coffee Break
	11.30 am - 13.00 pm
	<p>Agenda item 8 - Recommendations and programme budget for 1998-1999</p> <p>8.3 Protection of biological diversity 8.4 Sustainable management of coastal zones</p>
	14.30 pm - 16.00 pm
	<p>Agenda item 8 - Recommendations and programme budget for 1998-1999</p> <p>8.5 Sustainable management of natural resources 8.6 Integrated environment and development</p>
	16.00 pm - 16.30 pm
	Coffee Break
	16.30 pm - 18.00 pm
	<p>Agenda item 8 - Recommendations and programme budget for 1988-1999 (concluded)</p> <p>8.6 Integrating environment and development</p>
	Agenda item 9 - Any other business

DATE	PLENARY
Wednesday, 9 July 1997	09.30 am - 13.00 pm Agenda item 10 - Adoption of the Report of the meeting Agenda item 11 - Closure of the meeting

Note: The meeting will be held at the DIVANI CARAVEL Hotel, 2 Vassileos Alexandrou Avenue, Tel: (301) 7253725, Fax: (301) 7236688

Coffee breaks: 11.00 am
16.00 pm