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- 4 Joint Meeting of the Scientific and Technical
Committee and the Socio-Economic Committee
- 2 Athens, 6 - 10 May 1991

Annotated Provisional Agenda

Introduction

The Sixth Ordinary Meeting of the Contracting Parties to the Convention for the protection of the Mediterranean Sea against pollution (Athens, 3-6 October 1989), decided to convene every year, on the same dates, the Scientific and Technical Committee and the Socio-Economic Committee to review both separately and together the progress of the Action Plan and to prepare the decisions of the Contracting Parties. In view of the fact that this year's meeting will have to discuss the programme and budget for the next biennium 1992-1993, the two Committees will meet jointly in a plenary session to consider matters of common interest, and separately to review their respective programme components. The agenda will permit a clear distinction between the subjects falling within the responsibility of each Committee so that individual experts may attend sessions as appropriate.

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 09.30 hours on Monday, 6 May 1991, in the Conference Room of the Co-ordinating Unit, by the Co-ordinator of the Mediterranean Action Plan (MAP). All MAP focal points have been invited to send representatives taking into account the specific subjects of the meeting. Representatives of relevant international organizations, non-governmental organizations and the Regional Activity Centres have also 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.

The two vice-chairmen will chair the meetings of the two Committees. Each Committee will elect a vice-chairman 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.25/1 and annotated in the present document, will be proposed for adoption by the meeting. It is proposed that the two Committees will meet jointly on the first day (6 May) and in the morning of the second day (7 May), then separately on the afternoon of 7 May, on full of 8, 9 and in the morning of 10 May to consider their respective items and to adopt their respective final reports, and jointly again on 10 May afternoon to adopt the final report of the Joint Meeting.

The provisional agenda was prepared by the Secretariat in consultation with the Directors of the Regional Activity Centres and the relevant U.N. Organizations. Ad hoc discussion groups or drafting sub-committees may be formed by the Joint 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 on the implementation of the Mediterranean Action Plan during 1990/1991 and recommendations and programme budget for 1992/1993

The Co-ordinator will introduce document UNEP(OCA)/MED WG.25/Inf.3, "Progress report on the implementation of the Mediterranean Action Plan during 1990/1991". It contains progress report on all MAP activities since the last Joint meeting (Athens, 28 May - 1 June 1990). The meeting is expected to comment and take note of the activities carried out during this period.

The Co-ordinator will also introduce document UNEP(OCA)/MED WG.25/4, "Recommendations and programme budget for 1992/1993- Proposal by the Secretariat". The meeting is expected to concentrate its work on this document, to review it and take decisions on the various proposed recommendations.

Agenda Item 5.1 - Programme management and co-ordination of the Mediterranean Action Plan

- (a) Programme approval through decision-making meetings
- (b) Programme co-ordination
- (c) Legal component

The Co-ordinator will introduce Section 5.1(a), (b) and (c) of the progress report contained in document UNEP(OCA)/MED WG.25/Inf.3. The meeting will have also before it the report of the Working Group of Experts on the Offshore Protocol (UNEP(OCA)/MED WG.18/4), the report of the Meeting of the Working Group on the Mediterranean Report for 1992 U.N. Conference on Environment and Development (UNEP(OCA)/MED WG.19/4),

the reports of the Bureau (UNEP/BUR/37/6, UNEP/BUR/38/4, UNEP/BUR/39/5), and the report of the Third Meeting of MED Unit and Regional Activity Centres on MAP Programme (UNEP(OCA)/MED WG.20/2). The meeting is expected to consider this Section and take note of it.

The Co-ordinator will introduce relevant sections contained in document UNEP(OCA)/MED WG.25/4, on proposed programme budget for 1992-1993 biennium and the relevant recommendations, with a view to their approval.

Agenda Item 5.2 - Implementation of the Land-Based Sources Protocol (LBS) and the Dumping Protocol

(a) Progress report on the implementation of the LBS Protocol and the Dumping Protocol

The Senior Marine Scientist will introduce Section 5.2(a) contained in document UNEP(OCA)/MED WG.25/Inf.3 and document UNEP(OCA)/MED WG.25/Inf.8, concerning the activities undertaken in relation to the LBS protocol and the Dumping Protocol. The meeting will be invited to consider and take note of these documents.

He will also introduce relevant sections contained in document UNEP(OCA)/MED WG.25/4, on proposed programme budget for 1992-1993 biennium and the relevant recommendations, with a view to their approval.

(b) Airborne pollution of the Mediterranean Sea from Land-based Sources. Annex IV to the LBS Protocol

The Senior Marine Scientist will introduce document UNEP(OCA)/MED WG.25/3. The meeting will be invited to consider the document with the view of the approval of the text of Annex IV and the workplan for its implementation.

(c) Assessment of the state of pollution in the Mediterranean Sea by Organophosphorus compounds and proposed measures

The Senior Marine Scientist will introduce document UNEP(OCA)/MED WG.25/Inf.4. The meeting will be invited to consider this document and take note of it.

He will also introduce relevant recommendations contained in document UNEP(OCA)/MED WG.25/4, with a view to their approval.

(d) Assessment of the state of pollution in the Mediterranean Sea by persistent synthetic materials which may float, sink or remain in suspension and proposed measures

The Senior Marine Scientist will introduce document UNEP(OCA)/MED WG.25/Inf.5. The meeting will be invited to consider this document and take note of it.

He will also introduce relevant recommendations contained in document UNEP(OCA)/MED WG.25/4, with a view to their approval.

(e) Assessment of the state of pollution in the Mediterranean Sea by radioactive substances and proposed measures

The Senior Marine Scientist will introduce document UNEP(OCA)/MED WG.25/Inf.6. The meeting will be invited to consider this document and take note of it.

He will also introduce relevant recommendations contained in document UNEP(OCA)/MED WG.25/4, with a view to their approval.

(f) Assessment of the state of pollution in the Mediterranean Sea by pathogenic micro-organisms and proposed measures

The Senior Marine Scientist will introduce document UNEP(OCA)/MED WG.25/Inf.7. The meeting will be invited to consider the document and take note of it.

He will also introduce relevant recommendations contained in document UNEP(OCA)/MED WG.25/4, with a view to their approval.

(g) Research projects directly relevant to the IBS Protocol

The Senior Marine Scientist will introduce Section 5.2(g) of the progress report contained in document UNEP(OCA)/MED WG.25/Inf.3. The meeting is expected to consider this section and take note of it.

He will also introduce relevant sections contained in document UNEP(OCA)/MED WG.25/4, on proposed programme budget for 1992-1993 biennium and the relevant recommendations, with a view to their approval.

Agenda Item 5.3 - Monitoring of marine pollution in the Mediterranean

(a) Monitoring programmes and supporting activities

The Senior Marine Scientist will introduce Section 5.3(a) contained in document UNEP(OCA)/MED WG.25/Inf.3. The meeting will be invited to consider this section and take note of it.

He will also introduce relevant sections contained in document UNEP(OCA)/MED WG.25/4, on proposed programme budget for 1992-1993 biennium and the relevant recommendations, with a view to their approval.

(b) Data Quality Assurance

The Senior Marine Scientist will introduce Section 5.3(b) contained in document UNEP(OCA)/MED WG.25/Inf.3. The meeting will be invited to consider this section and take note of it.

He will also introduce relevant sections contained in document UNEP(OCA)/MED WG.25/4, on proposed programme budget for 1992-1993 biennium and the relevant recommendations, with a view to their approval.

(c) Research projects

The Senior Marine Scientist will introduce Section 5.3(c) contained in document UNEP(OCA)/MED WG.25/Inf.3. The meeting will be invited to consider this section and take note of it.

He will also introduce relevant sections contained in document UNEP(OCA)/MED WG.25/4, on proposed programme budget for 1992-1993 biennium and the relevant recommendations, with a view to their approval.

(d) Climatic changes

The Senior Marine Scientist will introduce document UNEP(OCA)/MED WG.25/Inf.9. The meeting will be invited to consider the document and take note of it.

He will also introduce relevant sections contained in document UNEP(OCA)/MED WG.25/4, on proposed programme budget for 1992-1993 biennium and the relevant recommendations, with a view to their approval.

Agenda Item 5.4 - Prevention and combating pollution from ships:

(a) The Protocol concerning Co-operation in Combating Pollution of the Mediterranean Sea by Oil and Other Harmful Substances in Cases of Emergency

(b) The Regional Marine Pollution Emergency Response Centre for the Mediterranean Sea (REMPEC)

The Director of the Malta Centre will introduce Sections 5.4(a) and (b) of document UNEP(OCA)/MED WG.25/Inf.3, on the Status of implementation of the Emergency Protocol and on the activities of the Malta Centre during the period under consideration. The meeting will be invited to consider these sections and take note of them.

He will also introduce relevant sections contained in document UNEP(OCA)/MED WG.25/4, on proposed programme budget for 1992-1993 biennium and the relevant recommendations, with a view to their approval.

(c) Port reception facilities for ballast water and other oily residues in the Mediterranean

The Director of the Malta Centre will introduce Section 5.4(c) of document UNEP(OCA)/MED WG.25/Inf.3. The meeting will be invited to consider this section and take note of it.

He will also introduce relevant sections contained in document UNEP(OCA)/MED WG.25/4, on proposed programme budget for 1992-1993 biennium and the relevant recommendations, with a view to their approval.

Agenda Item 5.5 - Protection of the common Mediterranean Heritage:

- (a) The Protocol concerning Mediterranean Specially Protected Areas
- (b) The Specially Protected Areas/Regional Activity Centre (SPA/RAC)

The Director of the SPA/RAC will introduce Sections 5.5(a) and (b) of document UNEP(OCA)/MED WG.25/Inf.3, on the status of the protocol concerning Specially Protected Areas and on the activities of the SPA Centre in Tunis during the period under consideration. The Meeting will be invited to consider these sections and take note of them.

He will also introduce relevant sections contained in document UNEP(OCA)/MED WG.25/4, on proposed programme budget for 1992-1993 biennium and the relevant recommendations, with a view to their approval.

- (c) Preservation of the 100 Historic Sites

The Director of the Atelier de Patrimoine, City of Marseille will introduce Section 5.5(c) of document UNEP(OCA)/MED WG.25/Inf.3, on the activities undertaken relative to the preservation of historic sites. The meeting will be invited to consider this section and take note of it.

He will also introduce relevant sections contained in document UNEP(OCA)/MED WG.25/4, on proposed programme budget for 1992-1993 biennium and the relevant recommendations, with a view to their approval.

Agenda Item 5.6 - Environmentally sound management of the Mediterranean coastal zone:

- (a) Prospective analysis of the relationship between Environment and Development

The Blue Plan/Regional Activity Centre (BP/RAC)

The President of the Blue Plan/Regional Activity Centre (BP/RAC) will introduce Section 5.6(a) of document UNEP(OCA)/MED WG.25/Inf.3. The meeting will be invited to consider this section and take note of it.

He will also introduce relevant sections contained in document UNEP(OCA)/MED WG.25/4, on proposed programme budget for 1992-1993 biennium and the relevant recommendations, with a view to their approval.

- (b) Coastal planning and management

The Priority Actions Programme/Regional Activity Centre (PAP/RAC)

The Director of the Priority Actions Programme/Regional Activity Centre (PAP/RAC) will introduce Section 5.6(b) of document UNEP(OCA)/MED WG.25/Inf.3. The meeting will be invited to consider this section and take note of it.

He will also introduce relevant sections contained in document UNEP(OCA)/MED WG.25/4, on proposed programme budget for 1992-1993 biennium and the relevant recommendations, with a view to their approval.

(c) Coastal Areas Management Programme (CAMP's)

The Co-ordinator of MAP will introduce Section 5.6(c) of document UNEP(OCA)/MED WG.25/Inf.3, relative to the four on-going coastal zone pilot projects and the other projects under preparation. The meeting will be invited to consider this section and take note of it.

He will also introduce relevant sections contained in document UNEP(OCA)/MED WG.25/4, on proposed programme budget for 1992-1993 biennium and the relevant recommendations, with a view to their approval.

Agenda Item 5.7- Information

The Co-ordinator will introduce Section 5.7 of document UNEP(OCA)/MED WG.25/Inf.3. The meeting will be invited to consider this section and take note of it.

He will also introduce relevant sections contained in document UNEP(OCA)/MED WG.25/4, on proposed programme budget for 1992-1993 biennium and the relevant recommendations, with a view to their approval.

Agenda Item 6 - Other business

Other subjects 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 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 Friday, 10 May 1991.

Annex

Suggested Time Schedule

Date	Plenary ¹		Scientific ¹		Socio-Economic ²	
	Session	Ag.Items	Session	Ag.Items	Session	Ag.Items
Monday, 6 May	AM	1,2,3,4 5.1(a)-(decision making)	-	-	-	-
	PM	5.1(b)-(coordination) 5.1(c)-(legal)	-	-	-	-
Tuesday, 7 May	AM	5.6(c) -(CAMPS) 5.7 (Inf)	-	-	-	-
			PM	5.2(LBS) a,b,c	PM	5.4(REMPEC) a,b,c
Wednesday, 8 May	-	-	AM	5.2(LBS) d,e	AM	5.5(SPA) a,b(SPA) c(100H.sit)
	-	-	PM	5.2(f,g) 5.3(MED POL)a	PM	5.6 a(BP)
Thursday, 9 May	-	-	AM	5.3(MED POL) b,c,d	AM	5.6 b(PAP)
	-	-	PM	Free	PM	Free
Friday, 10 May			AM	Adopt.Rep	AM	Adopt.Rep.
	PM	6-other business 7-(Adopt.Report) 8-(closure)	-	-	-	-

Working Session

09.30 - 12.30
14.30 - 17.30

Coffee break

11.00 a.m.
16.00 p.m.

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2/ Hotel Caravel, 2 Vas. Alexandrou Str.