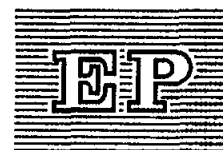




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ANNOTATED PROVISIONAL AGENDA

I. Introduction

1. At the Intergovernmental Review Meeting of Mediterranean Coastal States on the Mediterranean Action Plan, (Monaco, 9-14 January 1978), the meeting "welcomed the intention of the Executive Director to convene in 1978 a meeting of Government nominated representatives to examine the Executive Director's Report on the budget for the 1979/1980 biennium" ^{1/}. The Executive Director is convening the present meeting in accordance with this earlier expressed intention.

2. The following annotations to the provisional agenda are intended to facilitate the proceedings of the meeting.

II. Annotations to the provisional agenda

Agenda Item 1 Opening of the Meeting

3. The meeting will be opened by the representative of the Executive Director of the United Nations Environment Programme.

Agenda Item 2 Organization of the Meeting

4. As is customary at meetings called to advise the Executive Director on a certain issue, the meeting will be chaired by the representative of the Executive Director.

5. The rules of procedure of the UNEP Governing Council as contained in document UNEP/GC/3/Rev. 1 will be used mutatis mutandis as provided for in Rule 62 of those rules.

Agenda Item 3 Adoption of the Agenda

6. The provisional agenda suggested by the Secretariat has been circulated under symbol UNEP/WG.19/1/rev. 1.

^{1/} UNEP/IG.11/4, Annex IV, page 9, paragraph 47

Agenda Item 4 Review of draft rules of procedure for meetings of the Contracting Parties to the Convention for the Protection of the Mediterranean Sea against Pollution

7. The Secretariat has circulated under symbol UNEP/WG.19/3 a draft set of rules of procedure for the meetings of the Contracting Parties to the Convention for the Protection of the Mediterranean Sea against Pollution and its related protocols. These draft rules have largely been based on the rules of procedure of the UNEP Governing Council and of other bodies and organizations in the United Nations system. Minor changes have been introduced to suit the particular nature of the meetings of the Contracting Parties to the Barcelona Convention.

8. These draft rules are presented to the meeting of experts for their consideration and revision. Thereafter, the revised draft rules will be submitted to the first meeting of the Contracting Parties for consideration, with a view to their adoption.

Agenda Item 5 Review of Financial Arrangements

9. By recommendation 46 of the Intergovernmental Review Meeting of Mediterranean Coastal States on the Mediterranean Action Plan, the Governments of the Mediterranean coastal States and the European Economic Community:

"....endorsed the principle of a separate trust fund to ensure the harmonious development and effective co-ordination of jointly agreed activities". 2/

10. The experts are requested to review document UNEP/WG.19/4 and to advise the Executive Director on the steps to be taken to assist Governments to come to the first meeting of the Contracting Parties prepared to establish a Mediterranean Regional Trust Fund.

Agenda Item 6 Review of proposed budget for the biennium 1979/1980

12. Recommendation 46 of the Monaco intergovernmental review meeting also "...requested the Executive Director to prepare a report on the budget [to be] provided for the Mediterranean Action Plan" 2/. Document UNEP/WG.19/5 contains the Executive Director's budget proposals for the activities foreseen as part of the Mediterranean Action Plan during the 1979/1980 biennium. The document also includes an explanatory text to assist the experts in understanding the assumptions made in estimating the costs of these activities.

13. The representatives attending the meeting are requested to review the proposed budget and to make appropriate recommendations for consideration by the first meeting of the Contracting Parties.

Agenda Item 7 Other business

14. The meeting is invited to discuss any related matter which has not been considered under other items.

2/ UNEP/IG.11/4, Annex IV, page 9, paragraph 46.

Agenda Item 8 Adoption of the report

15. The meeting should approve its final report.

Agenda Item 9 Closing of the meeting

The meeting will be closed by the representative of the Executive Director.