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Meeting of the Signatories to
the Convention on Access to Information,
Public Participation in Decision-making and
Access to Justice in Environmental Matters

Working Group on Compliance and Rules of Procedure
(Second meeting, Geneva, 26-27 November 2001)

PROVISIONAL AGENDA FOR THE SECOND MEETING

to be held at the Palais des Nations, Geneva, Switzerland,
starting at 10 a.m. on Monday, 26 November 2001

1. Adoption of the agenda (CEP/WG.5/AC.1/2001/5).
2. Preparation of a draft decision on the rules of procedure for the Meeting of the Parties (CEP/WG.5/AC.1/2001/2 and 6).
3. Preparation of a draft decision on compliance for the first meeting of the Parties (CEP/WG.5/AC.1/2001/2).
4. Any other business.

EXPLANATORY NOTES

The Working Group on Compliance and Rules of Procedure was established by the Committee on Environmental Policy upon the recommendation of the Meeting of the Signatories for the purpose of (a) preparing draft rules of procedure for the Meeting of the Parties, and (b) preparing a text for a draft decision establishing a compliance mechanism, with a view to both the rules of procedure and the decision on a compliance mechanism being adopted at the first meeting of the Parties (CEP/WG.5/2000/2, paras. 19 and 23). At the first meeting of the Working Group, draft decisions on the two topics were prepared (CEP/WG.5/AC.1/2001/2, annexes). In both cases, a number of issues, indicated by the presence of text in square brackets, remained unresolved. The Working Group is expected to endeavour to resolve all outstanding issues at its second meeting so that the Parties are in a position to adopt both decisions at their first meeting.

Item 1: Adoption of the agenda

The Working Group is invited to adopt the agenda as set out in the present document.

Item 2: Preparation of a draft decision on the rules of procedure for the Meeting of the Parties

The Working Group is expected to complete the task of preparing a draft decision on the rules of procedure for the Meeting of the Parties, basing its deliberations on the draft annexed to the report of its first meeting (CEP/WG.5/AC.1/2001/2, annex I). As well as addressing the issues outstanding from its first meeting, the Working Group is invited to take note of the secretariat's paper on elements for final provisions of a draft instrument on pollutant release and transfer registers (CEP/WG.5/AC.2/2001/6) in which it is proposed that the Meeting of the Parties to the Convention shall serve as the Meeting of the Parties to the instrument, and to consider the extent to which such an approach could have implications for the rules of procedure.

Item 3: Preparation of a draft decision on compliance for the first meeting of the Parties

The Working Group is expected to complete the task of preparing a draft decision for the Meeting of the Parties on arrangements for the review of compliance, basing its deliberations on the draft annexed to the report of its first meeting (CEP/WG.5/AC.1/2001/2, annex II).

Item 4: Any other business

Delegates wishing to propose points under this item are requested to inform the secretariat as soon as possible.