

Annex VII

**DECISION 2004/7 CONCERNING COMPLIANCE BY GREECE
WITH ITS OBLIGATIONS UNDER THE 1988 NO_x PROTOCOL (ref. 2/02)**

The Executive Body,

Acting under paragraph 11 of the structure and functions of the Implementation Committee (Executive Body decision 1997/2, annex, as amended in 2001, ECE/EB.AIR/75, annex V),

1. Recalls its decisions 2002/6 and 2003/5;
2. Notes the report provided by the Implementation Committee, in particular its conclusion that Greece has remained in non-compliance with the emission reduction obligation of the 1988 NO_x Protocol since 1998;
3. Expresses its growing concern at the continuing failure of Greece to fulfil its obligation to take effective measures to control and/or reduce its annual emissions so that these do not exceed its emissions in 1987, as required by paragraph 1 of article 2 of the NO_x Protocol;
4. Notes the Implementation Committee's concern that Greece did not provide the information that the Executive Body, in its decision 2003/5, requested it to present;
5. Expresses disappointment that Greece does not expect to achieve compliance with paragraph 1 of article 2 even by 2010 and that, moreover, it has not indicated a year by which it expects to achieve compliance;
6. Continues to urge Greece to fulfil its obligation under paragraph 1 of article 2 of the NO_x Protocol as soon as possible;
7. Repeats its request to Greece to provide the Implementation Committee, through the secretariat, by 31 March 2005 with a report describing the progress it has made towards achieving compliance and setting out a timetable that specifies the year by which it expects to be in compliance, listings the specific measures taken or scheduled to fulfil its emission reduction obligation under the NO_x Protocol and setting out the projected effects of each of these measures on its NO_x emissions up to and including the year of compliance;

8. Invites in addition an official from Greece with the relevant expertise to attend the fifteenth meeting of the Implementation Committee to give an oral presentation and respond to questions from the Committee;

9. Requests the secretariat to communicate with the Permanent Mission of Greece to the United Nations in Geneva to discuss Greece's non-compliance and its failure to respond to Executive Body decision 2003/5, unless, by the Committee's fifteenth meeting, Greece has provided the information pursuant to paragraph 7 above or Greece has made the necessary arrangements to invite representatives of the secretariat and the Implementation Committee to Greece to discuss these matters;

10. Calls on Greece, unless it has provided the information pursuant to paragraph 7 above to the Implementation Committee by its sixteenth meeting, to make a presentation containing such information to the Executive Body at its twenty-third session;

11. Requests the Implementation Committee to review Greece's progress and timetable, and report to it thereon at its twenty-third session.