

Decision 2012/23
Concerning compliance by Albania, Belgium, Croatia,
the Czech Republic and the former Yugoslav Republic
of Macedonia with their obligations to report annual
emission data

The Executive Body,

Acting under paragraph 11 of the structure and functions of the Implementation Committee (ECE/EB.AIR/89/Add.1, decision 2006/2),

1. *Recalls* its decision 2011/11;
2. *Takes note* of the fifteenth report of the Implementation Committee with respect to compliance by Parties with their emission data reporting obligations under the protocols to the Convention, identified on the basis of information provided by Cooperative Programme for Monitoring and Evaluation of the Long-range Transmission of Air Pollutants in Europe (EMEP) (ECE/EB.AIR/2012/16, paras. 65–99 and tables 1–7 in informal document No. 3);
3. *Notes with regret* that Albania and the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia have not reported annual emission data for the base year under the 1985 Protocol on the Reduction of Sulphur Emissions or their Transboundary Fluxes by at least 30 per cent;
4. *Notes with regret* that Albania, Croatia and the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia have not reported annual emission data for the base year under the Protocol on Nitrogen Oxides;
5. *Notes with regret* that Belgium, Croatia and the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia have not reported annual emission data for the base year under the Protocol on Volatile Organic Compounds;
6. *Notes with regret* that the Czech Republic has not reported annual emission data for the base year for hexachlorobenzene (HCB) and that the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia has not reported annual emission data for dioxins/furans, polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs) and HCB under the Protocol on Persistent Organic Pollutants (Protocol on POPs);
7. *Notes with regret* that Albania has not reported annual emission data for 2010 under the 1985 Protocol on Sulphur and the Protocol on Nitrogen Oxides and that the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia has reported annual emission data for 2010 under the Protocol on POPs;
8. *Urges:*
 - (a) Albania to provide its missing annual emission data for 2010 and the base year under the 1985 Protocol on Sulphur and the Protocol on Nitrogen Oxides;
 - (b) Belgium to provide its missing annual emission data for the base year under the Protocol on Volatile Organic Compounds;

(c) Croatia to provide its missing annual emission data for the base year under the Protocol on Nitrogen Oxides and the Protocol on Volatile Organic Compounds;

(d) The Czech Republic to provide its missing annual emission data for the base year for HCB under the Protocol on POPs;

(e) The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia to provide its missing annual emission data for the base year under the 1985 Protocol on Sulphur, the Protocol on Nitrogen Oxides, the Protocol on Volatile Organic Compounds and the Protocol on POPs, and its missing annual data for 2010 under the Protocol on POPs;

9. *Reminds* Albania, Belgium, Croatia, Czech Republic and the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia of the importance of not only complying fully with their emission reporting obligations under the Protocols, but also of submitting the final and complete data on time;

10. *Requests* the Implementation Committee to review the progress made by Albania, Belgium, Croatia, the Czech Republic and the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia with regard to their reporting obligations for annual data for the base year and for 2010, and to report to it thereon at its thirty-second session in 2013.
