Decision 2008/14

Compliance by Estonia, France, Italy and Monaco with their obligations to report on strategies and policies

The Executive Body,

Acting under paragraph 11 of the structure and functions of the Implementation Committee (Executive Body decision 2006/2),

1. *Takes note* of the eleventh report of the Implementation Committee with respect to:

(a) The follow-up to Executive Body decision 2007/7 regarding compliance by certain Parties with their reporting requirements (ECE/EB.AIR/2008/3, paragraphs 31 to 34);

(b) Compliance by Parties with their obligations to report on strategies and policies for air pollution abatement (ECE/EB.AIR/2008/3, paragraphs 75 to 86 and table 8);

2. *Recalls* that its decision 2007/7 noted that Estonia, France, Lithuania, Monaco and Portugal were not in compliance with their obligations to report on strategies and policies for 2006, and that those Parties were called upon to provide responses to the 2008 questionnaire without delay in order to comply with their reporting obligations (ECE/EB.AIR/91/Add.1);

3. *Notes with satisfaction* that Lithuania and Portugal provided complete replies to the 2008 questionnaire and have thus complied with their obligations to report on strategies and policies;

4. *Notes* that Estonia, France and Monaco provided replies to the 2008 questionnaire, but that these replies were not complete, and thus they have not yet fully complied with the request in decision 2007/7;

5. *Also notes* that Italy has not yet completed its replies to the 2008 questionnaire;

6. Urges:

(a) Estonia to complete its responses to the 2008 questionnaire relating to the 1991 Protocol Concerning the Control of Emissions of Volatile Organic Compounds or Their Transboundary Fluxes without delay and not later than 28 February 2009, in order to comply with its reporting obligations;

(b) France to complete its responses to the 2008 questionnaire relating to the 1998 Protocol on Persistent Organic Pollutants and the 1999 Protocol to Abate Acidification, Eutrophication and Ground-level Ozone without delay and not later than 28 February 2009, in order to comply with its reporting obligations;

(c) Italy to complete its responses to the 2008 questionnaire relating to the Protocol on Volatile Organic Compounds without delay and not later than 28 February 2009, in order to comply with its reporting obligations;

(d) Monaco to complete its responses to the 2008 questionnaire relating to the 1994 Protocol on Further Reduction of Sulphur Emissions and the 1998 Protocol on Heavy Metals not later than 28 February 2009;

7. *Reminds* all Parties of the importance not only of complying fully with their obligations to report on their strategies and policies, as required under the protocols, but also of submitting their reports on time;

8. *Requests* the Implementation Committee to review the progress made by the abovementioned Parties with regard to their reporting on strategies and policies and to report thereon at its twenty-seventh session.
