Decision 2006/5

Compliance by Greece with its obligations under the 1988 Protocol concerning the Control of Emissions of Nitrogen Oxides or Their Transboundary Fluxes (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, 2003/5, 2004/7 and 2005/4;

2. Notes the report of the Implementation Committee on the progress made by Greece (ECE/EB.AIR/2006/3, paras. 14–17), in particular its conclusion that Greece has failed to respond to the requirements of decision 2005/4;

3. Expresses its disappointment at the continuing failure of Greece to fulfil its obligation to take and implement effective measures to control and/or reduce its national annual emissions so that these do not exceed its emissions in 1987;

4. Notes with concern that Greece has not provided the Implementation Committee with the information requested in paragraph 6 of decision 2005/4;

5. Expresses its deep concern that Greece has repeatedly failed to respond and to provide the information requested by decisions of the Executive Body and by the Implementation Committee through the secretariat, and is thereby hindering the Executive Body and the Implementation Committee in performing their work to review compliance with the Protocol;

6. Once again strongly urges to Greece to fulfil its obligation under article 2.1 of the Protocol as soon as possible, and to adopt and effectively implement the measures necessary to achieve compliance with its obligations;

7. Reiterates its requests to Greece as articulated in paragraphs 6 and 8 of its decision 2005/4; and

8. Reminds Greece, that, when revising historical data, the country is required to also revise its base year data in a consistent way.