Decision 2007/3

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 2006/2),

1. Recalls its decisions 2002/6, 2003/5, 2004/7, 2005/4 and 2006/5;

2. Notes the report provided by the Implementation Committee on the follow-up to decision 2006/5 on compliance by Greece with its obligations under the Protocol on Nitrogen Oxides, based on the information provided by Greece on 13 and 17 April 2007 (ECE/EB.AIR/2007/3, paras. 7–12), and in particular its conclusion that the information provided by Greece did not meet the requirements of decision 2005/4;

3. Expresses its increasing disappointment at the continuing failure of Greece to fulfil its obligation to adopt and implement effective measures to control and/or reduce its national annual emissions so that these do not exceed its emissions in 1987, and at its continuing non-compliance since 1998 with the emission reduction obligation under article 2.1 of the Protocol on Nitrogen Oxides;

4. Notes with concern that Greece has not provided the Implementation Committee with information meeting the requirements of paragraph 6 of decision 2005/4, as reiterated in paragraph 7 of decision 2006/5;

5. Expresses its concern that Greece does not seem to give sufficient attention to the matter of continuing non-compliance with the obligations under the Protocol;

6. Once again strongly urges Greece to fulfill 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, as reiterated in paragraph 7 of its decision 2006/5;
8. *Notes with concern* that Greece had not yet revised its base-year data to be consistent with the rest of the data series, as requested in paragraph 8 of decision 2006/5;

9. *Requests* the Executive Secretary to bring this serious matter of continuing non-compliance to the attention of Greece’s Minister of Foreign Affairs and Minister of Environment;

10. *Requests* the Implementation Committee to review Greece’s progress and timetable, and to report to the Executive Body thereon at its twenty-sixth session.