Decision 2007/4

Compliance by Spain with its obligations under the 1988 Protocol concerning the Control of Emissions of Nitrogen Oxides or Their Transboundary Fluxes (ref. 4/02)

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 2002/8, 2003/7, 2004/9, 2005/6 and 2006/6;

2. Notes the report provided by the Implementation Committee on the follow-up to decision 2006/6 on compliance by Spain with its obligations under the Protocol on Nitrogen Oxides, based on the information provided by Spain in May and July 2007 (ECE/EB.AIR/2007/3, paras. 13–16), and in particular its conclusion that the information provided by Spain did not meet the requirements under paragraph 5 of decision 2005/6;

3. Expresses its increasing disappointment at the continuing failure of Spain 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 with the emission reduction obligation under article 2.1 of the Protocol on Nitrogen Oxides since 1994;

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

5. Urges Spain to address the numerous inconsistencies on emission data and projections contained in their written and verbal submissions;

6. Once again strongly urges Spain 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 obligation;

7. Reiterates its requests to Spain as articulated in paragraphs 5 and 7 of its decision 2005/6, as reiterated in paragraph 7 of its decision 2006/6;
8. *Requests* the Implementation Committee to review Spain’s progress and timetable, and report to the Executive Body thereon at its twenty-sixth session.