Decision 2011/8  
Compliance by the Republic of Moldova with its obligations under the Protocol on Persistent Organic Pollutants (ref. 14/10)

The Executive Body,

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

1. Notes the report provided by the Implementation Committee concerning the compliance of the Republic of Moldova with the requirements of article 3, paragraph 5 (a) of the Protocol on Persistent Organic Pollutants (Protocol on POPs) (ECE/EB.AIR/2011/2, paras. 75–78), following the referral by the secretariat pursuant to paragraph 5 of the structure and functions of the Implementation Committee, and in particular the Committee’s conclusion regarding the failure of the Republic of Moldova to comply with the emission-reduction obligation of the Protocol;

2. Expresses its concern at the failure by the Republic of Moldova to fulfil its obligation to take effective measures to control and/or reduce its national annual emissions of dioxins/furans and polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbon (PAH) so that these do not exceed emissions in 1990, as required by article 3, paragraph 5 (a), of the Protocol;

3. Urges the Republic of Moldova to fulfil its obligation under the Protocol as soon as possible;

4. Notes with concern that the Republic of Moldova did not submit any information as requested;

5. Requests the Republic of Moldova to provide to the Implementation Committee through the secretariat, by 31 March 2012, a report describing the reasons for its non-compliance and the progress towards compliance, setting out a timetable that specifies the year by which the Republic of Moldova expects to be in compliance, listing the specific measures taken or scheduled to fulfil its emission-reduction obligations under the Protocol, and setting out the projected effects of each of these measures on its dioxins/furans or PAH emissions on an annual basis up to and including the year of compliance;

6. Requests the Implementation Committee to review the progress and timetable of the Republic of Moldova, and to report to it thereon at its thirty-first session in 2012.