Bureau of the Conference of the Parties

MINUTES OF THE FIFTH MEETING1/

Introduction

1. The fifth meeting of the Bureau of the Conference of the Parties (CoP) to the UNECE Convention on the Transboundary Effects of Industrial Accidents (Industrial Accidents Convention) was held on 18-19 March 2004 in Budapest. It followed the second meeting of the Working Group on Implementation.

2. Mr. Ernst Berger (Switzerland), Chairperson of the CoP, Mr. Pal Popelyak (Hungary), Mr. Tomas Trcka (Slovakia), Mr. Ulf Bjurman (Sweden), and Mr. Sergiusz Ludwiczak (Secretary of the CoP) attended the meeting. Mr. Evgeny Gorshkov (Russian Federation) did not attend the meeting.

3. In addition, Mr. Leo Iberl (Germany), Mr. Lajos Katai-Urban (Hungary) and Mr. Cristiano Piacente (Italy) attended the meeting on the invitation of the Chairperson.

I. Opening of the meeting and adoption of the agenda

4. Mr. Berger opened the fifth meeting of the Bureau and welcomed the members of the Bureau, the invited participants and the representatives of the host country. The latter were Mr. Imre Hoffmann, Deputy Director General, Mr. Gyula Vass and Ms. Piroska Balla, all from the National Directorate General for Disaster Management of the Ministry of Interior as well as Mr. Pál Fehérvári from the Ministry of Environment and Water and Mr. Zoltán Lévai from the Ministry of Economy and Trade.

5. Mr. Hoffmann welcomed the participants of the meeting to Budapest and said it was an honour for Hungary to host the third meeting of the CoP later in the year and in preparation for it, the meetings of the Bureau and the Working Group on Implementation. He stated that Hungary is committed to actively participate in the activities under the Convention and work towards its overall success.

6. Mr. Ludwiczak, on behalf of the UNECE, expressed appreciation to the Hungarian authorities for their valuable input to the activities under the Convention and for inviting the Bureau meeting to Budapest. He also noted the presence of representatives of all Hungarian authorities responsible for the Convention's implementation at the meeting, which was an expression of well-established horizontal cooperation within the Hungarian government. Such cooperation is essential for the Convention to work in practice.

^{1/} Prepared by the secretariat in consultation with the Chairperson of the Conference of the Parties.

7. Mr. Berger then briefly recalled the Bureau's decisions taken at its fourth meeting held on 17-18 October 2003 in Cagliari, Italy (COPB8/23 January 2004) and indicated under which item of the present agenda their implementation will be reviewed.

8. Mr. Berger informed the Bureau about the absence of two Bureau members. The Government of Germany informed the secretariat that Mr. Ludwig Dinkloh was no longer available as a Bureau member and that Mr. Iberl from the Bavarian State Ministry of the Environment, Public Health and Consumer Protection will take part in the meeting on behalf of Germany. He also informed the Bureau that Mr. Jürgen Wettig has changed his position within the Environment Directorate-General of the European Commission. He was, therefore, also no longer available as a Bureau member.

9. The Bureau then discussed the fact that Mr. Gorshkov has not attended the last two meetings of the Bureau, although financial support for his participation was made available. It expressed concern that the Russian Federation as an important Party to the Convention is at present not actively participating in the Bureau's work. The Bureau decided that its Chairperson and other members would contact the Russian authorities with the aim of resolving this matter.

10. The Bureau adopted the agenda for its fifth meeting (COPB9/23 January 2004) and decided, taking into account a request from the host country, to discuss the organizational aspects of the third meeting of the CoP as the first item. The Bureau also decided, upon a request from Mr. Bjurman, to discuss the issue of delivering visas free of charge for meeting participants under this item. The order of the agenda items in these minutes, however, remains unchanged.

II. Outcome of the first consultation and the training session for points of contact for the purpose of accident notification and mutual assistance designated within the UNECE Industrial Accident Notification System (Bratislava, 10-11 November 2003)

11. Mr. Trcka informed the Bureau on the outcome of the consultation and the training session for the points of contact within the UNECE Industrial Accident Notification System (UNECE IAN System). He introduced the report (CP.TEIA/2003/9) with its conclusions and informed the Bureau on the results of the test of the UNECE IAN System carried out by the Slovak point of contact on 9 November 2003.

12. The Bureau took note of the report and expressed its support for the implementation of the conclusions of the consultation and the training session. The main conclusions, with particular interest to the Bureau, as they may require further actions by the Bureau, are summarised below:

(a) Competent authorities should take additional efforts to make sure that the points of contact in their countries are operational 24 hours a day and are accessible in order to enhance the effectiveness of the UNECE IAN System;

(b) Poland volunteered to perform a test of the procedures and forms of the UNECE IAN System within a transboundary response exercise;

(c) A task force, established in accordance with the outcome of the consultation, should discuss the results of this test and draw up possible amendments to the UNECE IAN System for further consideration by the CoP;

(d) Representatives of UNECE, UNOCHA and the EC, together with experts from interested countries will discuss the possibility of harmonizing procedures and forms used for accident notification and assistance requests.

13. The Bureau requested the secretariat to address a letter to the competent authorities and the points of contact on the above-mentioned matters.

14. The Bureau decided to submit the report on the first consultation and the training session to the CoP together with any other documents, which may result from the two above-mentioned meetings. The Bureau agreed that Mr. Trcka should be responsible for the preparation of the documentation for the CoP and its presentation at the meeting.

III. Outcome of the fourth meeting of the joint ad hoc expert group on water and industrial accidents (Kaliningrad, 30-31 October 2003)

15. Mr. Ludwiczak – referring to the minutes of the meeting (JEG7/14 January 2004) – informed the Bureau of the main conclusions of the meeting. These conclusions - listed below - are of particular interest to the Bureau, because they may require further actions by the Bureau:

(a) The joint expert group commenced work aimed to prepare a report on the implementation of the conclusions and recommendations of the Hamburg seminar. It decided on a timetable of concrete actions. The first action is drawing up of a questionnaire, to be sent to Parties, by Hungary and its finalization at the group's fifth meeting;

(b) The joint expert group also commenced work to prepare safety guidelines/best practices related to off-site pipelines; and

(c) The joint expert group also reviewed - in accordance with a request from the CoP - the location criterion related to the water path contained in the Guidelines to facilitate the identification of hazardous activities for the purposes of the Convention (ECE/CP.TEIA/2, annex IV, appendix, paragraph 5 (b)). As a result, it proposed an amended text of paragraph 5 to the Bureau as contained in the annex to the report of the group's fourth meeting (JEG7/14 January 2004).

16. The text of paragraph 5, as amended by the joint expert group, was then subjected to language editing by the secretariat's editorial services. Both, the text as amended by the joint expert group and the edited text by the secretariat, were submitted to the Bureau as a conference room paper (CRP.1/12 March 2004).

17. Mr. Berger, speaking as the Chairperson of the CoP, stated that the joint expert group had a mandate from the CoP to review and provide guidance in relation to paragraph 5 (b) of the Guidelines only. While he was in agreement with the amendment and editorial modifications of paragraph 5 (b), he would prefer to maintain the introductory sentence of paragraph 5 in its original form.

18. The Bureau agreed with the position of the Chairperson and decided to accept the text of paragraph 5 (b), as edited by the secretariat and maintain the introductory sentence of paragraph 5 in its original form.

19. The Bureau decided that a draft decision amending the Guidelines to facilitate the identification of hazardous activities for the purposes of the Convention should be prepared by the secretariat. This draft decision should contain an introduction and the final text of the amendment as agreed by the Bureau at this meeting. The document will be circulated among the Bureau members for final comments and then submitted to the CoP for decision.

20. The Bureau expressed its satisfaction with the work of the joint expert group and the results achieved so far. In view of difficulties in organizing the group's next meeting in Croatia in June 2004, the Bureau supported the group's initiative to organize the fifth meeting back-to-back with the CoP in Budapest on 26 October 2004. This approach will allow the CoP to take note, among others, of the questionnaire for the Hamburg seminar implementation report, to be finalized at the group's meeting.

IV. Outcome of the third Meeting of the Parties to the Convention on the Protection and Use of Transboundary Watercourses and International Lakes (Madrid, 26-28 November 2003)

21. Mr. Berger informed the Bureau on the outcome of the third Meeting of the Parties to the Convention on the Protection and Use of Transboundary Watercourses and International Lakes, in particular on the main issues that were relevant to the cooperation between the two Conventions. These issues involve the future work of the joint expert group and possible future activities related to the promotion of the Protocol on Civil Liability and Compensation for Damages Caused by Transboundary Effects of Industrial Accidents on Transboundary Waters. To this end, appropriate elements of the work plan were made available.

22. The Bureau took note of this information.

V. Second report on the Convention's implementation – outcome of the second meeting of the Working Group on Implementation (Budapest, 16-17 March 2004)

23. Mr. Ludwiczak informed the Bureau on the status of reporting on the Convention's implementation by Parties and other UNECE member countries. 22 out of 31 Parties and two other UNECE member countries submitted their individual country reports in time for the Working Group on Implementation to examine them and to take the information into account when discussing the input to the second report on implementation during its second meeting on 16-17 March 2004 in Budapest. France, for whom the Convention entered into force in 2004, was not expected to file an implementation report for the period 2002-2003.

24. Mr. Ludwiczak informed the Bureau that the Working Group expressed concern that 8 Parties did not meet their obligation to file a report, even though the Parties were reminded by the secretariat two times. These Parties are: Albania, Bulgaria, Finland, Germany, Greece, Kazakhstan, Romania and the Russian Federation.2/ The Working Group decided to remind these Parties again of their reporting obligation by letter from the Chairman of the Group. They should be given an ultimate deadline of 15 May to submit a report on the Convention's implementation.

^{2/} At the time of finalizing these minutes reports were received from Bulgaria and Germany.

25. The Bureau noted with satisfaction that about three quarters of the Parties fulfilled their reporting obligations in time. On the other hand, the Bureau shared the concern of the Working Group over the fact that several Parties had not done so yet. The Bureau recommended that those countries, which will not meet the new deadline, should be named in the second implementation report and requested to report as soon as possible. The CoP should then discuss this matter and decide on further steps to be taken.

26. Mr. Ludwiczak informed the Bureau of the main conclusions, which the Working Group drew up on the basis of the examination of the individual country reports (WGI4/12 May 2004). These conclusions are of particular interest to the Bureau, as they may require further actions by the Bureau. They are:

(a) UNECE member countries of the Caucasus, Central Asia and South Eastern Europe need to be assisted through international and bilateral programmes and projects in order to implement the Convention's provisions and thus be able to become Parties to the Convention. Countries from these subregions, being already Parties, need to be assisted in applying this legal instrument in practice;

(b) Since the first implementation report, Parties had made significant progress in identifying their hazardous activities. However, a number of countries still need assistance in developing their capacities to conduct such identifications;

(c) Bilateral cooperation (notification of hazardous activities, contingency plans, local notification systems, joint response exercises, information to and participation of the public) should be further encouraged. This was an area requiring further development in many cases. However, good examples exist and should be advertised;

(d) Parties should strive to achieve effective horizontal and vertical coordination and cooperation between competent authorities within their own countries. This seems to be problematic in many countries;

(e) Guidance related to land use planning should be drawn up. To this end, the Working Group recommended the secretariat to take contact with the UNECE's Committee on Human Settlements and the EC's Major Accident Hazards Bureau to explore the possibility of organizing a joint seminar or workshop;

(f) The need for an amendment of annex I to the Convention with the aim of harmonizing it with the amended annex I of the "Seveso II" Directive, was suggested in a few reports and was implicit in other reports. The Working Group suggested that this issue should be addressed by the Bureau;

(g) The secretariat should introduce minor changes to the reporting format (information on the competent authority, focal point for the Convention and the person responsible for completing the format should appear on the first page) to be used in the third round of reporting.

27. The Bureau decided to refer the discussion of providing assistance to UNECE member countries to item VI of the agenda.

28. The Bureau noted the progress in identifying hazardous activities with satisfaction and urged those Parties that had not yet identified their hazardous activities to do so as soon as possible. It also encouraged Parties to undertake bilateral contacts with their neighbouring countries in order to notify these activities and also to undertake joint discussions and work in other areas identified by the Convention.

29. The Bureau discussed the Working Group's proposal to hold a future seminar or workshop on land use planning. It agreed that the secretariat should consult this matter with the Secretary of the UNECE's Committee on Human Settlements and the EC's Major Accident Hazards Bureau to explore the possibility of organizing a joint seminar or workshop. However, taking into account the current lack of a lead or host country for such an event, the Bureau decided to submit this issue to the CoP for further action.

30. The Bureau decided that the issue of amending annex I to the Convention should be presented at the third meeting of the CoP by one of the Parties, which suggested this need in their implementation report. The CoP should then reach a decision on how the amendment of annex I should be organised, and how it should be prepared for consideration and decision by the CoP at its fourth meeting.

31. The Bureau was of the opinion, that the present reporting procedure was useful and beneficial to all Parties and in particular to those countries which are undertaking the efforts of implementing the Convention or to become a Party to the Convention. Mr. Bjurman was of the opinion that the frequency of reporting should be reduced and that there should be no reporting until at the earliest 2008. He emphasized that the limited resources available should instead be devoted to efforts to assist countries with economies in transition to become Parties to the Convention or to exchange experience between Parties on how the Convention is to be implemented. Other members of the Bureau did not share his view and stressed that regularity in monitoring implementation was an important factor for strengthening it. The fact that the report on the Convention's implementation is an important document for the CoP, as a basis for a substantive discussion on its future priorities and work plan, was also underlined.

VI. Internationally supported assistance programme for the countries of the Caucasus and Central Asia

32. The Bureau reiterated the importance, which it attaches to the issue of assisting countries with economies in transition in their process to ratify and implement the Convention in practice. It welcomed and fully supported the conclusion of the Working Group on Implementation that in particular the UNECE member countries of the Caucasus, Central Asia and South Eastern Europe need to be assisted in their efforts to implement the Convention.

33. The Bureau then discussed at length possible forms in which assistance could be offered, among others, through country partnerships, training courses, exchange of experts (visits of experts from recipient countries in Western and Central European countries), visits and awareness-raising discussions by a special team of experts in recipient countries and demand-driven workshops. Reference was made to the German exchange programme for experts from Eastern European, Caucasian and Central Asian countries in late 2003 (COPB8/23 January 2004).

34. The Bureau was of the opinion that the implementation of such an assistance programme should take advantage of existing institutional structures such as Regional Environmental Centres or UNDP Offices in recipient countries. To the extent possible, it should also use existing capacity building and training programmes such as the UNEP APELL.

35. The Bureau was also of the opinion that - apart from different bilateral assistance projects - the CoP should launch a more substantial assistance programme for the above-mentioned subregions of the Caucasus, Central Asia and South Eastern Europe, with the appropriate international support. To this end, Mr. Piacente indicated that the Government of Italy would be willing to support such a programme and co-finance it.

36. The secretariat, therefore, agreed to take an effort to draw up an action-oriented document with the objective of establishing the justification for launching such a programme, preferably in time to be submitted to the CoP at its third meeting. Such a document should define:

(a) Concrete steps to be taken by the countries of the mentioned subregions;

(b) Problems with which these countries are faced with and to which solutions require international assistance;

(c) A timetable for further action.

The Bureau strongly felt, that approval of the document by the Bureau and the CoP and a clear commitment to this programme, at ministerial level, by the countries involved are important requirements for further action.

37. The Bureau also maintained its support to draw up an overview of multilateral and bilateral assistance projects, which are already operational in the countries of the Caucasus and Central Asia as well as in other subregions in order to assist them in fulfilling the objectives of the Convention. Such an overview may increase the willingness of other countries to develop new ideas and offers for additional activities. The secretariat was requested to invite UNECE member countries to provide appropriate information, based on which a document should be prepared for the third meeting of the CoP.

VII. Third meeting of the Conference of the Parties (Budapest, 27-30 October 2004)

(a) Organizational issues

38. Ms. Balla presented a comprehensive overview of all the organizational aspects of the third meeting of the CoP.

39. The conference venue will be the Hotel Helia in Budapest. The meeting will take place in the main conference room of the Hotel. Two other smaller rooms will be available for secretarial and meeting purposes. Seventy rooms for participants are reserved at the Hotel Helia at 90 Euros per night (single or double occupancy). In addition, a number of rooms are reserved at the Grand Hotel Hungaria at 65 Euros (single occupancy) and 95 Euros (double occupancy). Transfer services between the Hotel Helia and the Grand Hotel Hungaria will be provided.

40. Participants are requested to organise their own transfer form the airport / train station to the Hotel of their choice upon arrival in Budapest and back to the airport upon departure. A minibus service operating at the airport was recommended. Details will be provided within the provisional agenda for the meeting.

41. Mr. Katai-Urban expressed the willingness of the host authorities to organise a technical visit to a refinery near Budapest on Saturday, 30 October 2004. The Bureau welcomed this proposal and decided to include the technical visit in the official programme of the meeting, thus extending the meeting until 30 October 2004.

42. Participants should register for the meeting by 15 September 2004 at the latest in order to facilitate proper preparations for the meeting. They should do so using a registration form, which will be attached to the provisional agenda for the third meeting of the CoP.

43. In response to Mr. Bjurman's request to discuss the issue of delivering visas free of charge for meeting participants, Mr. Ludwiczak informed the Bureau that participants requiring an entry visa to Hungary for the third meeting of the CoP should receive it free of charge according to an agreement between Hungary and the United Nations Office at Geneva, to be concluded shortly. He informed that such agreements are done for all official meetings held outside of Geneva.

44. The Bureau accepted the above-mentioned organisational arrangements for the third meeting of the CoP and thanked the Hungarian authorities for their great efforts and Ms. Balla in particular for her comprehensive and timely treatment of all the organisational aspects of the meeting.

(b) Substantive issues – provisional agenda

45. The Bureau agreed that activities supporting the Convention's implementation in particular in countries with economies in transition should be the key issues on the agenda of the third meeting of the CoP. The second report on the Convention's implementation will be the basic document supporting the discussion of this key issue.

46. The Bureau decided that, based on this second report on implementation and its conclusions, the Chairperson together with the secretariat should prepare a draft decision on strengthening the implementation of the Convention. This draft decision should be endorsed through a consultation among the members of the Bureau before being submitting it to the CoP.

47. The Bureau agreed to include the issues covered under items II to VI of these minutes in the agenda of the third meeting of the CoP.

48. The Bureau agreed that the issue of human and financial resources to support future activities under the Convention is as an essential item for discussion by the CoP (see item VIII).

49. The Bureau requested the secretariat to prepare a draft of the provisional agenda for the third meeting of the CoP - including the explanatory notes – and to circulate it among the Bureau members for endorsement by the beginning of June 2004. This document should also contain all the organizational details and a registration form.

(c) Election of the Chairperson and composition of the new Bureau

50. Mr. Berger informed the Bureau that he will retire in 2005 from his post as Head of the Section on Safety of Installations of the Swiss Agency for the Environment, Forests and Landscape and therefore would not run for re-election as Chairperson at the third meeting of the CoP. Mr. Popeylak and Mr Bjurman also informed the Bureau that due to their retirement they would no longer be available for re-election as Vice-Chairperson and Bureau member.

51. Taking into account the facts that Mr. Berger, Mr. Dinkloh, Mr. Wettig, Mr. Popeylak and Mr. Bjurman would not be available to serve on the future Bureau, the Bureau discussed intensively the composition of a new Bureau, i.e. possible candidatures for the Chairperson, Vice-chairpersons and the Bureau members. The Bureau agreed that a wide rotation should take place within the Bureau and that the future Chairperson of the CoP should have a well developed understanding of the challenges with which countries with economies in transition are confronted. From among a number of candidatures, the Bureau, as a priority, agreed to ask Mr. Ryszard Grosset, Deputy Chief Commandant of the Polish State Fire Service and the Deputy Chief of Civil Defence whether he would be willing to accept the Chairmanship. The representatives of the countries Germany, Hungary, Italy and Slovakia present at the Bureau meeting expressed their country's willingness to continue their participation in the Bureau. The Bureau was also of the opinion that a representative of the Russian Federation should be present in the new Bureau (see para. 9). The Bureau then agreed to ask Slovenia as Party and Georgia - representing other UNECE member countries - whether they would like to serve in the new Bureau. The chairperson together with the secretariat was given the task to undertake the necessary talks to come up with the candidatures for the new Bureau.

VIII. Financial resources under the Convention

52. Mr. Ludwiczak reported on the current status of financial resources under the Convention. The Bureau approved the secretariat's financial report as annexed to these minutes. It decided to submit an updated financial report to the third meeting of the CoP.

53. Following an earlier discussion, at its fourth meeting, on human and financial resources to support the activities under the Convention, the Bureau endorsed a draft letter prepared by the secretariat to be addressed to all the Parties with a request to explore the possibility of supporting the activities under the Convention, either financially through the trust fund or by making in-kind contributions, especially in view of current and future needs for resources to implement the work plan under the Convention in the coming years.

54. Taking into account future activities under the Convention and in particular assistance activities addressed to countries of the Caucasus, Central Asia and South Eastern Europe, the Bureau agreed that human and financial resources need to be enhanced. It decided that this issue should be discussed at length in connection with the outcome of the discussion on strengthening the Convention's implementation at the third meeting of the CoP.

IX. Sixth meeting of the Bureau

55. The Bureau decided to hold an informal meeting in the morning of 27 October 2004, starting at 9.00 a.m., prior to the opening of the third meeting of the CoP, at the Hotel Helia in Budapest. It

also made arrangements for the sixth meeting of the newly elected Bureau to take place at the same Hotel in the evening of 29 October 2004 after the meeting of the CoP.

X. Plan of meetings in 2004

21 June	Meeting between UNOCHA, UNECE and the EC in order to harmonize procedures and forms used for accident notifications and requests of assistance in Geneva (see para. 12 (d))
22 June	Task Force on the procedures and reports within the UNECE IAN System in Geneva (see para. 12(c))
26 October	Fifth meeting of the joint ad hoc expert group on water and industrial accidents in Budapest (see para. 20)
27 October	Informal meeting of the Bureau in Budapest (see para. 55)
27 - 30 October	Third meeting of the CoP in Budapest (see item VII), including on 30 October a technical visit to a refinery near Budapest as part of the official programme of the CoP
29 October	Sixth meeting of the Bureau in Budapest (see para. 55)

XI. Other business

56. Mr. Berger informed the Bureau on the next meeting between the Bureau of the UNECE Committee on Environmental Policy (CEP) and the Bureaux of the governing bodies of the UNECE environmental legal instruments to take place in Geneva on 7 June 2004. The key theme of this meeting would be the implementation of and the compliance with the provisions of the UNECE environmental agreements.

57. The Bureau agreed that the CoP and the Working Group on Implementation would represented by their Chairmen at this meeting.

58. Mr. Ludwiczak informed the Bureau that a response to the letter of 15 October 2003 by Mr. Berger to the Chairman of the Committee on Environmental Policy (CEP) is under preparation and should soon be expected. The letter contained a proposal on how the CEP could support the internationally supported assistance programme for the UNECE Caucasian and Central Asian countries.

59. The Bureau discussed the outcome of a Workshop on strengthening cooperation with other UNECE Conventions, held under the auspices of the Convention on Environmental Impact Assessment in a Transboundary Context (EIA Convention), in particular a proposal for possible cooperation between the EIA and the Industrial Accidents Conventions, at its fourth meeting (COPB8/23 January 2004). The Bureau agreed that the Chairperson would take contact with the Chairman of the Meeting of the Parties to the EIA Convention to seek more information on this proposal at the next meeting between the Bureau of the CEP and the Bureaux of the governing bodies

of the UNECE environmental legal instruments (7 June 2004 - see para. 56).

XII. Closing of the meeting of the Bureau

60. The Bureau members and the Secretary expressed their appreciation to the Hungarian authorities for making arrangements and hosting the fifth meeting of the Bureau in Budapest.

61. Mr. Berger concluded that the meeting was successful in reviewing the activities since the fourth meeting of the Bureau and in preparing key issues for the agenda of the third meeting of the CoP. He thanked all Bureau members, invited participants and the Secretary for their active participation at the meeting.

	Contributors	Trust Fund (TFACT)	Local Technical Trust Fund	Total contributions	Total expenditure	Balance
Year		Contributions	Contributions	contributions		
01.01.2000						\$14,307
2000	Switzerland	\$12,500				
Total	Switzerland	\$12,500 \$12,500	-	\$12,500	\$3,607	\$23,200
2001		¢26.505				
2001	Switzerland	\$36,585 \$11,217	-	-	-	-
	Norway European Commission	\$11,217	\$45,700	-	-	-
	Other	\$24,338	\$1,323	-		-
Total	other	\$72,140	\$47,023	\$119,163	\$6,594	\$135,769
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2002	Switzerland	-	\$41,667 \$9,785 a/	-	-	-
	Germany Italy	-	\$9,783 a/ \$14,866 b/	-	-	-
	Other	-	\$3,455	-	-	-
Total		_	\$69,773	\$69,773	\$80,323	\$125,219
2003	Switzerland	-	\$50,360			
	United Kingdom	-	\$15,028 c/			
	Italy	-	\$16,103 c/			
	Other		\$6,195			
Total		-	\$87,686 d/	\$87,686 d/	\$86,158 d/	\$126,747 d/
2004	Switzerland	-	\$50,000			
Total			\$50,000 d/	\$50,000 d/	\$3,992 d/	\$172,755 d/

FINANCIAL RESOURCES UNDER THE CONVENTION (2000-2004) - status as of 8 March 2004

<u>a</u>/ Earmarked for financing of participation in the technology transfer workshop <u>b</u>/ Earmarked for financing of participation in the 2nd CoP c/ Earmarked for financing of participation in the civil liability negotiations

d/ Provisional figure

<u>Annex I</u>

USE OF FINANCIAL RESOURCES UNDER THE CONVENTION (2000-2004)

Year	Amount	Purpose
2000	\$2,986	Participation of experts from two countries in transition in the 2 nd meeting of the open-ended group to prepare the 1 st meeting of the Conference of the Parties, Warsaw, 27-28 January 2000
	\$621	Participation of an expert from one country in transition in the meeting of the Joint Expert Group on Water and Industrial Accidents, Budapest, 6-7 April 2000
Total	\$3,607	
2001	\$6,594	Participation of experts from four countries in transition in the 1 st meeting of the Working Group on Civil Liability, Geneva, 21-23 November 2001
Total	\$6,594	
2002	\$5,675	Participation of experts from four countries in transition in the 2 nd meeting of the Working Group on Civil Liability, Geneva, 4-6 February 2002
	\$381	Participation of experts from two countries in transition in the 2 nd meeting of the Bureau, Geneva, 6-7 February 2002
	\$1,961	Participation of experts from two countries in transition in the 2 nd meeting of the Joint Expert Group on Water and Industrial Accidents, Budapest, 15-16 April 2002
	\$17,677	Participation of experts from ten countries in transition in the 3 rd meeting of the Working Group on Civil Liability, Geneva, 6-8 May 2002
	\$8,673	Participation of experts from four countries in transition and the Convention's secretariat in the Polish-Russian transboundary response exercise "KOTKI-2002" and the international seminar on the preparedness for and response to industrial accidents and the mitigation of their transboundary effects, Ketrzyn, Poland, 13-15 June 2002 (as well as the Convention secretariat's participation in a preparatory meeting, Ketrzyn, 28 February - 1 March 2002)
	\$16,518	Participation of experts from ten countries in transition in the 4 th meeting of the Working Group on Civil Liability, Geneva, 2-4 September 2002
	\$9,948	Participation of experts from eleven countries in transition and the UNECE secretariat in the Workshop on the facilitation of the exchange of safety management systems and safety technologies, Chisinau, 4-5 November 2002
	\$14,921	Participation of experts from eleven countries in transition and the UNECE secretariat in the 2 nd meeting of the Conference of the Parties, Chisinau, 6-8 November 2002
	\$4,569	Participation of experts from three Parties to the Industrial Accidents Convention (countries in transition) in the 5 th meeting of the Working Group on Civil Liability, Geneva, 11-13 November 2002

Total	\$80,323	
2003	\$16,604	Participation of experts from eight countries in transition in the 6 th meeting of the Working Group on Civil Liability, Geneva, 15- 17 January 2003
	\$15,831	Participation of experts from eight countries in transition in the 7 th meeting of the Working Group on Civil Liability, Geneva, 26-28 February 2003
	\$16,509	Organization of the Subregional workshop on the implementation of the Convention, Erevan, 13-15 March 2003
	\$12,131	Participation of experts from seven countries and the secretariat in transition in the Subregional workshop on the implementation of the Convention, Erevan, 13-15 March 2003
	\$4,714 a/	Participation of experts from five countries in transition in the second Joint special session within the framework of the 5 th Ministerial Conference "Environment for Europe", Kiev, 21-23 May 2003
	\$5,975 a/	Participation of experts from four countries and the secretariat in the 4 th meeting of the Joint Expert Group on Water and Industrial Accidents, Kaliningrad, 30-31 October 2003
	\$14,394 a/	Participation of experts from ten countries in transition and the secretariat in the first Consultation and training session for the points of contact within the framework of the UNECE Industrial Accident Notification System, Bratislava, 10-11 November 2003
Total	\$86,158 a/	
2004	\$3083 a/	Participation of experts from two countries in transition in the second meeting of the Working Group on Implementation, Budapest, 16-17 March 2004
	\$909 a/	Participation of an expert from a country in transition in the fifth meeting of the Bureau, Budapest, 18-19 March 2004
Total	\$3,992 a/	

<u>a</u>/ Provisional figure

<u>Annex II</u>

EARMARKED FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTIONS AND CONTRIBUTIONS IN KIND (2000-2004)

Year	Contributors	Contribution		
2000	Poland	Financing and organization of the 2 nd meeting of the open-ended group to prepare the 1 st meeting of the Conference of the Parties Warsaw, 27-28 January 2000		
	Hungary	Financing and organization of a meeting of the Joint Expert Group on Water and Industrial Accidents, Budapest, 6-7 April 2000		
	Italy	Financing and organization of the 3 rd meeting of the open-ended group to prepare the 1 st meeting of the Conference of the Parties, including participation of experts from countries in transition, Rome, 8-9 June 2000		
	European Commission	Financing and organization of the 1 st meeting of the Conference of the Parties and financing of the participation of experts from countries in transition, Brussels, 22-24 November 2000		
2001	Switzerland Financing of the participation of experts from countries in transition in the joint special session of the Governing Bodies of the Industrial Accidents and the Water Conventions, Geneva, 2-3 July 2001			
	Germany	Financing of the organization of two meetings of an open-ended group to prepare the workshop on the facilitation of the exchange of safety management systems and safety technologies, including the participation of experts from countries in transition and the Convention's secretariat, Chisinau, 5-6 July and 26-27 November 2001		
	Republic of Moldova	Organization of two meetings of an open-ended group to prepare the workshop on the facilitation of the exchange of safety management systems and safety technologies, Chisinau, 5-6 July and 26-27 November 2001		
	Germany	Financing and organization of the first meeting of the Joint Expert Group on Water and Industrial Accidents, including the participation of experts from countries in transition and the Conventions' secretariats, Berlin, 18-19 October 2001		
	Hungary	Financing and organization of the International workshop and exercise on industrial safety and water protection in transboundary river basins, Tiszaujvaros, Hungary, 3-5 October 2001		
	UN/OCHA	Financing of the participation of experts from countries in transition in the International workshop and exercise on industrial safety and water protection in transboundary river basins, Tiszaujvaros, 3-5 October 2001		
2002	Hungary	Financing and organization of the second meeting of the Joint Expert Group on Water and Industrial Accidents, Budapest, 15-16 April 2002		
	Poland	Financing and organization of the Polish-Russian transboundary response exercise "KOTKI -2002" and international seminar on the preparedness for and response to industrial accidents and the mitigation of their transboundary effects, Ketrzyn, 13-15 June 2002		
	Germany	Financing of the organization of the third meeting of an open-ended group to prepare the workshop on the facilitation of the exchange of safety management systems and safety technologies, including the participation of experts from countries in		

		transition, Chisinau, 16-17 September 2002		
	Republic of	Organization of the third meeting of an open-ended group to prepare the workshop on the facilitation of the exchange of safety		
	Moldova	management systems and safety technologies, Chisinau, 16-17 September 2002		
	Germany	Financing of the organization of the workshop on the facilitation of the exchange of safety management systems and safety technologies, Chisinau, 4-5 November 2002		
	Italy	Financing of the organization of the 2 nd meeting of the Conference of the Parties, Chisinau, 6-8 November 2002		
	Republic of	Organization of the workshop on the facilitation of the exchange of safety management systems and safety technologies and the		
	Moldova	2 nd meeting of the Conference of the Parties, Chisinau, 4-5 and 6-8 November 2002		
2003	Armenia	Organization of the Subregional workshop on the implementation of the Convention, Erevan, 13-15 Mach 2003		
	Italy	Financing and organization of the fourth Bureau meeting, Cagliari, 17-18 October 2003		
	Russian	Financing and organization of the 4 th meeting of the Joint Expert Group on Water and Industrial Accidents, Kaliningrad, 30-31		
	Federation	October 2003		
	Slovakia	Financing and organization of the first consultation and training session for the points of contact within the framework of the UNECE Industrial Accident Notification System, Bratislava, 10-11 November 2003		
2004	Hungary	Financing and organization of the 2 nd meeting of the Working Group on Implementation, Budapest, 16-17 March 2004		
	Hungary	Financing and organization of the 5 th Bureau meeting, Budapest, 18-19 March 2004		
	Hungary	Financing and organization of the 3 rd meeting of the Conference of the Parties, Budapest, 27-29 October 2004		