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the Protection and Use of Transboundary
Watercourses and International Lakes

Compliance Committee

Tenth meeting

Geneva, 25 November 2014

Item 2 of the provisional agenda

Adoption of the agenda

Annotated provisional agenda for the tenth meeting

To be held at the Palais des Nations, Geneva, starting on
Tuesday, 25 November 2014, at 10 a.m.*

I. Provisional agenda

1. Election of officers and solemn declaration of new members.
2. Adoption of the agenda.
3. Relevant developments since the ninth meeting of the Compliance Committee.

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4. Follow-up to the decisions of the Meeting of the Parties at its third session:
 - (a) Consultation with Parties to facilitate implementation of the Protocol;
 - (b) Review of compliance with reporting requirements under the Protocol;
 - (c) Review of compliance with the obligation to set targets and target dates under the Protocol.
5. Promotion of the compliance procedure.
6. Programme of work and calendar of future meetings.
7. Any other business.

II. Annotations

1. Election of officers and solemn declaration of new members

1. In accordance with paragraph 7 of the annex to decision I/2 on review of compliance (ECE/MP.WH/2/Add.3–EUR/06/5069385/1/Add.3), at its third session (Oslo, 25–27 November 2013), the Meeting of the Parties to the Protocol on Water and Health to the Convention on the Protection and Use of Transboundary Watercourses and International Lakes re-elected Mr. Pierre Chantrel (France), Mr. Oddvar Lindholm (Norway), Mr. Ilya Trombitsky (Republic of Moldova) and Mr. Serhiy Vykryst (Ukraine), for another term of office, and elected Mr. Vadim Ni (Kazakhstan) for a first term, to serve as members of the Compliance Committee under the Protocol until the fifth ordinary session of the Meeting of the Parties.
2. To ensure the efficient management of the work of the Compliance Committee in the interim period before its tenth meeting, elections for the new Compliance Committee Chair were undertaken through its electronic decision-making procedure. As a result, the Committee re-elected Mr. Veit Koester as its Chair for 2014–2016.
3. In accordance with paragraph 8 of the annex to decision I/2, the Committee will elect a Vice-Chair at its tenth meeting.
4. The newly elected member of the Committee will make a solemn declaration that he will perform his functions impartially and conscientiously.

2. Adoption of the agenda

5. The Compliance Committee will be invited to adopt its agenda as set out in the present document.

3. Relevant developments since the ninth meeting of the Compliance Committee

6. The secretariat will inform the Committee of relevant developments since its ninth meeting. In particular, it will inform the Committee about the relevant outcomes of the seventh meeting of the Task Force on Target Setting and Reporting (Geneva, 4 July 2014).
7. The Chair will report on the outcomes of the second informal meeting between the chairs of the compliance review bodies of ECE multilateral environmental agreements, which was held in Geneva on 24 March 2014.

8. The Chair will also report on the informal meeting with the chairs of the human rights treaty bodies, which was held in Geneva on 26 March 2014, during the annual meeting of chairpersons of the human rights treaty bodies (Geneva, 23–27 June 2014).

4. Follow-up to the decisions of the Meeting of the Parties at its third session

9. The Committee will be invited to consider different follow-up actions as the result of the decisions taken by the Meeting of the Parties at its third session.

(a) Consultation with Parties to facilitate implementation of the Protocol

10. Based on decision III/1 on general issues of compliance (ECE/MP.WH/11/Add.2–EUDCE/1206123/3.1/2013/MOP-3/06/Add.2), and building on the review of the outcomes of the second reporting exercise, the Committee will discuss its modus operandi in proposing the consultation process to a Party or a small group of Parties having identical or almost identical implementation problems.

11. The Committee will also discuss the possible need to revise the terms of reference of the consultation process and the criteria for selecting Parties that may be approached for engaging in a consultation.

(b) Review of compliance with reporting requirements under the Protocol

12. The Committee will review, based on the information received from the secretariat, the compliance with reporting requirements under the Protocol of those Parties that failed to report within the second reporting exercise.

(c) Review of compliance with the obligation to set targets and target dates under the Protocol

13. The secretariat will inform the Committee of the progress made by Parties in setting targets in accordance with the article 6 of the Protocol. Based on decision III/1, in particular paragraphs 2–7, the Committee will discuss its modus operandi with regard to addressing the failure of some Parties to set targets and target dates.

5. Promotion of the compliance procedure

14. The Committee will discuss concrete steps to promote the compliance procedure. The Committee members will report on their efforts to present the mechanism at various forums and events.

15. The secretariat will report on the opportunities it had to present the mechanism at various forums and events, such as the twentieth session of the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe Committee on Environmental Policy (Geneva, 28–31 October 2014).

6. Programme of work and calendar of future meetings

16. The Committee will discuss its future programme of work, will agree on issues for consideration at its next meetings and will give indications to the secretariat on the next steps to be taken. The Committee will also agree on the dates of its eleventh and twelfth meetings.

7. Any other business

17. Committee members wishing to propose points under this item are requested to inform the secretariat as soon as possible.
