

Annex VII

**DECISION 2002/6 CONCERNING COMPLIANCE BY GREECE WITH ITS
OBLIGATIONS UNDER THE 1988 NO_x PROTOCOL**

The Executive Body,

Acting under paragraph 11 of the structure and functions of the Implementation Committee (Executive Body decision 1997/2, annex, as amended in 2001, ECE/EB.AIR/75, annex V),

1. Notes the report provided by the Implementation Committee (EB.AIR/2002/2, para. 22-27) concerning Greece's compliance with the requirements of paragraph 1 of article 2 of the 1988 Sofia Protocol concerning the Control of Emissions of Nitrogen Oxides or their Transboundary Fluxes 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 Greece's failure to comply with the emission reduction obligation of the Protocol;
2. Expresses its concern at the failure by Greece to fulfil its obligation to take effective measures to control and/or reduce its national annual emissions so that these do not exceed emissions in 1987, as required by paragraph 1 of article 2 of the NO_x Protocol;
3. Notes with concern that Greece does not expect to achieve compliance even by 2010 (by which time it will have been in non-compliance for thirteen years), and that, moreover, Greece has not indicated a year by which it expects to achieve compliance;
4. Urges Greece to fulfil its obligation under the NO_x Protocol as soon as possible;
5. Calls on Greece to provide to the Implementation Committee through the secretariat by 31 March 2003 a report describing the progress made towards compliance and setting out a timetable that specifies the year by which Greece expects to be in compliance, lists the specific measures taken or scheduled to fulfil its emission reduction obligations under the NO_x Protocol and sets out the projected effects of each of these measures on its NO_x emissions up to and including the year of compliance;
6. Requests the Implementation Committee to review Greece's progress and timetable, and report to it thereon at its twenty-first session.