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Meeting of the Parties to the
Convention on Access to Information,
Public Participation in Decision-making and
Access to Justice in Environmental Matters

REPORT OF THE SECOND MEETING OF THE PARTIES

Addendum

DECISION II/10

REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

adopted at the second meeting of the Parties
held in Almaty, Kazakhstan, on 25-27 May 2005

The Meeting

Recalling decision I/8 on reporting requirements,

Recalling also the mandate of the Compliance Committee set out in paragraph 13 (c) of the annex to decision I/7 on review of compliance,

Having considered the reports submitted by Parties and the synthesis report prepared by the secretariat pursuant to paragraphs 1 and 4 of decision I/8, including the conclusions on the reporting process and on implementation trends (ECE/MP.PP/2005/18 and addenda, and ECE/MP.PP/2005/20),

Having also considered the report of the Compliance Committee (ECE/MP.PP/2005/13),

Considering that the reporting procedure as set out in decision I/8 should continue to apply for the next reporting cycle, subject only to the changes set out in paragraphs 7 to 9 below,

1. Notes with concern the failure by some Parties to submit their reports;
2. Notes also that some Parties did not submit their reports within the deadlines indicated in decision I/8;
3. Urges all Parties to comply with decision I/8 and other stipulations developed under the reporting mechanism;
4. Calls upon all States that were Parties at the time of the deadline for submission of the implementation reports and that failed to submit such reports to the secretariat to do so by 15 September 2005, for subsequent consideration, inter alia, by the Compliance Committee;
5. Invites Parties, in subsequent reporting cycles, to provide more information with regard to the practical implementation of each of the Convention's provisions, pursuant to paragraph 1 (b) of decision I/8, and to indicate any major differences of opinion emerging from the consultation process;
6. Encourages Parties to give early consideration to the preparation of national implementation reports and where possible, to share information on implementation and compliance which may be of interest to other Parties and States through the clearing house mechanism;
7. Requests each Party, in complying with the reporting requirements for subsequent reporting cycles as set out in paragraph 2 of decision I/8, to submit to the secretariat new information and where available a consolidated national implementation report;
8. Decides that, in order to avoid duplication and extra cost, only such new information is to be translated by the secretariat in the three official languages; and
9. Requests that, in order to facilitate the preparation of the synthesis report of the secretariat and the translation process, reports be submitted to the secretariat so as to arrive no later than 180 days before the meeting of the Parties for which they are submitted.