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and Access to Justice in Environmental Matters

Working Group on Pollutant Release and Transfer Registers
(Second meeting, Geneva, 27 – 30 January 2003)

PROVISIONAL AGENDA FOR THE MEETING

to be held at the Palais des Nations, Geneva, Switzerland,
starting at 10 a.m. on Monday, 27 January 2003

1. Adoption of the agenda.
2. Preparation of a draft protocol on pollutant release and transfer registers (MP.PP/AC.1/2002/2 and MP.PP/AC.1/2002/3).
3. Preparation of a draft resolution of the Signatories to the protocol (MP.PP/AC.1/2003/3).
4. Arrangements for the Kiev Ministerial Conference.
5. Any other business.

EXPLANATORY NOTES

The Working Group is expected to finalize the draft protocol at its second meeting, which is expected to end on Thursday, 30 January 2003, at 1 p.m.

Item 1. Adoption of the agenda

The Working Group is invited to adopt the agenda as set out in the present document.

Item 2. Preparation of a draft protocol on pollutant release and transfer registers

The Working Group will be invited to consider the new consolidated text of the draft protocol (MP.PP/AC.1/2002/3) and focus primarily on the remaining outstanding issues.

At its first meeting, the Working Group set up a small group of legal experts to check the consistency of the consolidated text. The Working Group will be invited to consider any proposals from the legal group.

Item 3. Preparation of a draft resolution of the Signatories to the protocol

The Working Group will be invited to consider a draft resolution of the Signatories, prepared by the secretariat at the request of the Chairman (MP.PP/AC.1/2003/3).

Item 4. Arrangements for the Kiev Ministerial Conference

Under this agenda item, the secretariat will inform the Working Group of the relevant arrangements for the Fifth Ministerial Conference 'Environment for Europe' (21-23 May 2003), at which the protocol is to be adopted and opened for signature.

The delegation of the Netherlands will report on progress in developing the 'virtual classroom' and the preparations for launching it on the occasion of the Conference.

Item 5. Any other business

Delegates wishing to propose issues under this item are requested to inform the secretariat as soon as possible.