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**ECONOMIC COMMISSION FOR EUROPE**

**WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION'S  
REGIONAL OFFICE FOR EUROPE**

**INTERGOVERNMENTAL MEETING ON THE  
DRAFT PROTOCOL ON WATER AND HEALTH  
TO THE 1992 CONVENTION ON THE PROTECTION  
AND USE OF TRANSBOUNDARY WATERCOURSES  
AND INTERNATIONAL LAKES**

**Third meeting,  
Budapest, Hungary, 3-4 December 1998**

**PROVISIONAL AGENDA FOR THE THIRD MEETING**

**to be held at the invitation of the Government of Hungary  
in Budapest, Hungary, starting at 10 a.m. on Thursday,  
3 December 1998**

1. Opening of the meeting.
2. Adoption of the agenda.
3. Election of officers.
4. Report on the second meeting.

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5. Finalization of the draft protocol on water and health to the 1992 Convention on the Protection and Use of Transboundary Watercourses and International Lakes.
6. Background documents on water and health.
7. Other business.
8. Closing of the meeting.

## **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

### Item 1:       Opening of the meeting

A representative of Hungary will open the meeting and make a statement on behalf of the host country. Representatives of the UN/ECE and WHO/EURO secretariats will address the Meeting.

### Item 2:       Adoption of the agenda

The Meeting is expected to adopt its agenda as set out in the present document.

### Item 3:       Election of officers

The Meeting will elect a chairperson and two vice-chairpersons from among the participants. The Meeting will also designate a rapporteur.

As decided at the second intergovernmental meeting, the Meeting may re-elect Mr. A. Pinter (Hungary) as its Chairperson, Messrs. W. Kakebeeke (Netherlands) and V. Karamushka (Ukraine) as its Vice-Chairpersons, and designate Mr. A. Simcock (United Kingdom) as its Rapporteur.

### Item 4:       Report on the second meeting

Following established practice, the report on the second intergovernmental meeting (MP.WAT/AC.1/1998/9 - EHCO 020102 I), prepared by the responsible officer in consultation with the Chairperson and the Rapporteur, will be submitted to the Meeting for adoption.

### Item 5:       Finalization of the draft protocol on water and health to the 1992 Convention on the Protection and Use of Transboundary Watercourses and International Lakes

The Meeting will have before it the revised draft protocol on water and health prepared at the second intergovernmental meeting (MP.WAT/AC.1/1998/14 - EHCO 020102 N). The Meeting is expected to examine this draft in detail, and finalize it for submission to the 1999 "pre-conference meeting" (Bled, Slovenia, 14-16 February 1999) for consideration and the Third Ministerial Conference on Environment and Health (London, 16-18 June 1999) for adoption.

### Item 6:       Background documents on water and health

The Meeting will consider the revised explanatory note on water-related diseases drawn up by the Chairman in the light of the discussion at the second meeting and written contributions from delegations. It will take note of progress in the preparation of other substantiation papers (see MP.WAT/AC.1/1998/2 - EHCO 020102 B, para. 16 (c)).

The Meeting will also consider draft elements of a resolution on the interim implementation of the protocol pending its entry into force. It will make arrangements for submission of the draft resolution to the "pre-conference meeting" in Bled for consideration and the Ministerial Conference in London for adoption (see item 5).

Item 7:        Other business

At the time of writing, the responsible officer had no points to propose under this item.

Item 8:        Closing of the meeting

A representative of the host country, Hungary, will close the meeting.

Annex

**USEFUL ADDRESSES**

The third intergovernmental meeting will take place at:

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