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DRAFT DECISION

ON THE BUDGET AND FINANCIAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR 2001-2002

The Conference of the Parties,

 $\underline{\text{Recalling}} \text{ its decision on the priorities and the programme of work, and in particular the work plan for 2001-2002,}$

<u>Recognizing</u> that the successful implementation of the UN/ECE Convention on the Transboundary Effects of Industrial Accidents and the work plan within its framework depends on adequate administrative and financial resources,

- 1. <u>Decides</u> that the Parties will contribute financially and/or in kind to the budget of the Convention on a voluntary basis and recommends them to make their contributions as soon as possible;
 - 2. **Invites** other UN/ECE member countries to contribute to this budget as well;
- 3. <u>Welcomes</u> the contributions to the budget pledged by the following Parties to the Convention: and by the following other UN/ECE member countries:;
- 4. **Adopts** the budget of the Convention for the 2001-2002 period as set out in annex I to this decision;
- 5. **Endorses** the guiding principles for financial assistance to support the participation of experts and representatives from countries with economies in transition in meetings organized within the framework of the Conference of the Parties, depending on the availability of funds, as set out in annex II to this decision:
- 6. <u>Invites</u> the Executive Secretary of UN/ECE, strengthened with additional extra-budgetary resources, to continue to provide secretariat support for the tasks outlined in the work plan for 2001-2002;
- 7. **Requests** the UN/ECE secretariat to manage the voluntary financial contributions in agreement with the donor countries/institutions;
- 8. **Requests** the Bureau, with the support of the UN/ECE secretariat, to draw up a budget for the next two-year period for adoption at the second meeting of the Conference of the Parties.

Annex I BUDGET OF THE CONVENTION FOR 2001-2002

No. <u>a</u> /	Programme area/element/activity	Lead country/institution supporting countries/institutions	Contributions	Expected budget	Expected output				
1.	Monitoring of and assistance in the implementation of the Convention								
1.1	Implementation of the Convention								
1.1.1	Maintenance of an up-to-date list of competent authorities to be made available on the Convention's Internet home page	UN/ECE secretariat All Parties	List of compet Internet		List of competent authorities on the Internet				
1.1.2	Preparation of the first report on the Convention's implementation	Working Group on Implementation	To be arranged by the Working Group		Convention's implementation report				
1.1.3	Drawing-up of conclusions and recommendations on the basis of the report on the Convention's implementation	Working Group on Implementation	To be arranged by the Working Group		Conclusions and recommendations for adoption by the Conference of the Parties				
1.2	Assistance to Parties in implementing the Convention and to Signatories and other UN/ECE member countries wishing to become a Party in ratifying the Convention								
1.2.1	Organization of a sub regional workshop facilitating the implementation and ratification of the Convention	Working Group on Implementation UN/ECE secretariat		US\$ 25,000	Recommendations to overcome obstacles to ratification and implementation				
2.	Scope of the Convention			<u>I</u>					
2.1	Hazardous activities								
2.1.1	Establishment of a list of hazardous activities	Working Group on Implementation All Parties	To be arranged by the Working Group		List of hazardous activities				

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3.	Prevention of industrial accidents								
3.1	Prevention of accidental water pollution								
3.1.1	Continuation of work on the prevention of accidental water pollution/meetings of the joint ad hoc expert group on water and industrial accidents	Joint ad hoc expert group on water and industrial accidents		US\$ 25,000	Implementation of the programme of work				
4.	Points of contact and industrial accident notification								
4.1	UN/ECE Industrial Accident Notification System								
4.1.1	Maintenance of the list of points of contact	UN/ECE secretariat			List of points of contact on the Internet				
4.1.2	Testing of the UN/ECE Industrial Accident Notification System and review on the basis of the results of the tests	Croatia Points of contact ECE secretariat	In kind		Recommendations to improve the effectiveness of the system				
4.1.3	Development of a manual for points of contact and organization of consultations/training sessions for their personnel	Points of contact UN/ECE secretariat		US\$ 25,000	Manual for points of contact and consultations/training sessions				
4.1.4	Facilitate the harmonization of the UN/ECE System with notification and alarm systems under the Water Convention	Joint ad hoc expert group on water and industrial accidents Points of contact UN/ECE secretariat		US\$ 5,000	Recommendations on harmonisation				

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5.	Emergency preparedness, response and mutual assistance							
5.1	Emergency preparedness and response							
5.1.1	Organization of a response exercise following an industrial accident involving accidental water pollution, with transboundary effects	Joint ad hoc expert group on water and industrial accidents		US\$ 25,000	Exchange of experience in establishing and implementing preparedness and response measures			
6.	Responsibility and liability		•	•				
6.1	Protocol on responsibility and liability							
6.1.1 7.	Drawing-up of a joint protocol on responsibility and liability under this Convention and that on the Protection and Use of Transboundary Watercourses and International Lakes within an intergovernmental negotiation process Scientific and technological cooperation	UN/ECE secretariat		US\$ 80,000	Protocol on responsibility and liability			
7.1	Facilitation of the exchange of information and	safety technologies						
7.1.1	Preparation of background material for the Conference of the Parties on creating more favourable conditions for the exchange of safety technologies			US\$ 5,000	Discussion paper – recommendations for decision by the Conference of the Parties			
7.1.2	Organization of a workshop on the facilitation of the exchange of safety management systems and safety technologies			US\$ 25,000	Recommendations on facilitating the exchange of safety technologies			
7.1.3	Establishment of a register of experts capable of providing assistance regarding preventive, preparedness and response measures	UN/ECE secretariat All Parties			Register of experts			

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8.	Past industrial accidents							
8.1	Reporting of past industrial accidents							
8.1.1	Establishment and operation of the UN/ECE Past Industrial Accident Reporting System within the framework of the existing EU-Major Accident Reporting System (MARS) and distribution of information on past industrial accidents	European Commission - DG JRC Poland (Russian translations) UN/ECE secretariat	In kind In kind		UN/ECE Past Industrial Accident Reporting System			
	Second meeting of the Conference of the Parties	Host country Bureau UN/ECE secretariat		US\$ 45,000	Second meeting of the Conference of the Parties			
	Two meetings of the Bureau (2001 and 2002)	Bureau UN/ECE secretariat		US\$ 5,000	Bureau meetings			
	Promotion of the Convention and assistance in implementation of the work plan	UN/ECE secretariat Bureau		US\$ 10,000	Promotional material, substantive background papers and equipment			

<u>a</u>/ The numbers correspond to the ones assigned to the activities in the draft work plan for 2001-2002 (CP.TEIA/2000/9, Part Two)

Annex II

GUIDING PRINCIPLES FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO SUPPORT THE PARTICIPATION OF EXPERTS AND REPRESENTATIVES FROM COUNTRIES WITH ECONOMIES IN TRANSITION IN MEETINGS WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF THE CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES

	capita 1999	Note: threshold set for financial support in 1999 = US\$2000; countries with GDP per capita below \$1000 are eligible for financial support (travel expenses and DSA 1/); countries with GDP per capita between \$1000 and \$2000 are eligible for financial support (DSA only); countries exceeding the threshold are not eligible for financial support.					
Slovenia Czech Republic Croatia Hungary Poland Slovakia Estonia Lithuania Latvia	9886 5176 4507 4813 3983 3501 3605 2892 2767	4	Not eligible for financial support				
The FYR of Macedonia Yugoslavia Romania Bulgaria Russian Federation Bosnia & Herzegovina Albania Belarus Kazakhstan Turkmenistan Uzbekistan Ukraine Georgia Armenia Azerbaijan	1715 1680 1519 1462 1235 1172 1160 1070 974 746 686 607 546 525	El		nancial support (DSA only)			
Republic of Moldova Kyrgyzstan Tajikistan TOTAL COUNTRIES COUNTRIES ELIGIBLE COUNTRIES ELIGIBLE FOR DSA ONI COUNTRIES ELIGIBLE FOR TRAVEL	27 18 8						