



Commission for Environmental Cooperation

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Provisional Agenda

Chair: Liette Vasseur

Monday, 22 October 2001

- 9:00 – 9:10 Welcome and overview by the JPAC chair
a) Approval of the provisional agenda
- 9:10 – 10:00 Report from the CEC Secretariat and question period
a) Activities report by the CEC Executive Director
b) Status report on issues related to Article 14 and 15 Submissions
- 10:00 – 10:15 Report from the National and Governmental Advisory Committee representatives
- 10:15 – 10:30 Break
- 10:30 – 10:45 Overview of the proposed Program Plan for 2002–2004
- 10:45 – 12:15 Plenary discussion on the proposed Program Plan for 2002–2004
(5-minute presentation by the CEC staff followed by 40 minutes for questions and answers)
- 10:45 – 11:30 Environment, Trade and Economy Program Area
11:30 – 12:15 Conservation of Biodiversity Program Area
- 12:15 – 13:30 Lunch (not provided)
- 13:30 – 15:05 Plenary Discussion on the proposed CEC Program Plan and Budget for 2002–2004 (cont'd)
(5-minute presentation by the CEC staff followed by 40 minutes for questions and answers)
- 13:30 – 14:15 Pollutants and Health Program Area
14:15 – 15:05 Law and Policy Program Area
- 15:05 – 15:30 Break
- 15:30 – 16:30 Plenary Discussion on the proposed CEC Program Plan and Budget for 2002–2004 (cont'd)
(5-minute presentation by the CEC staff followed by 25 minutes for questions and answers)
- 15:30 – 16:00 Others Initiatives including Specific Obligation under the Agreement
16:00 – 16:30 The North American Fund for Environmental Cooperation
- 16:30 – 17:00 Presentation of the CEC Web site
- 17:00 – 18:00 Cocktail

Tuesday, 23 October 2001

- 9:00 – 10:30 Discussion on a potential advice to Council on the proposed Program Plan for 2002–2004*
- 10:30 – 11:00 Discussion on a potential advice to Council on the North American Fund for Environmental Cooperation*
- 11:00 – 11:15 Break
- 11:15 – 12:30 JPAC Program*
- a) Discussion on the draft terms of reference related to the JPAC mandate on access to environmental information in North America
 - b) Approve the Program for 2002
- 12:30 – 13:30 Lunch
- 13:30 – 14:30 Articles 14 and 15*
- a) Approve the internal process for the JPAC public review of issues concerning the implementation and further elaboration of Articles 14 and 15
 - b) Discussion on the issue of informing Council prior to a vote
- 14:30 – 14:45 Administrative matters*
- a) JPAC working groups: member appointments and rotation
 - b) Future JPAC meetings
- 14:45 – 15:00 Observers' comments
- 15:00 End of the session

* Session open to the public as observers.