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Conference of the Parties

Note by the interim Secretariat

**Venue and date of the second Meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Framework
Convention for the Protection of the Marine Environment of the Caspian Sea¹**

1. Reference is made to the to the Framework Convention for the Protection of the Marine Environment of the Caspian Sea, Section IV “Institutional Arrangements”, article 22 “The Conference of the Parties” and the draft Rules of Procedure for the Conference of the Parties, section “Place of the Meetings”, Rule 3, and section “Dates of Meetings”, Rule 4.
2. In accordance with the above the first Meeting of the Conference of the Parties shall consider the issue of the date and venue of its second meeting. The Conference of the Parties is expected to come to an agreement on the date and venue of its second meeting.
3. The Article 22.5 of the Tehran Convention and the Rule 4 of the draft Rules of Procedure stipulate that the “meetings of the Conference of the Parties shall be held in the territories of the countries of the Contracting Parties on the basis of rotation in alphabetical order of English language or at the location of the Secretariat”.
4. During the Senior Preparatory Meeting for the 1st Meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Tehran Convention (7-8 December 2006, Moscow, RF), the I.R. of Iran expressed its interest to host the second Meeting of the Conference of the Parties.
5. Following this invitation and in line with the above provisions the first Meeting of the Conference of the Parties is invited to decide that the second Meeting of the Conference of the Parties will take place in the first half of 2008 in the I.R. of Iran.

¹ Please refer to the Framework Convention for the Protection of the Marine Environment of the Caspian Sea, Section IV “Institutional Arrangements”, article 22 “The Conference of the Parties” and the draft rules of procedure for the Conference of the Parties, section “Place of the Meetings”, Rule 3, and section “Dates of Meetings”, Rule 4.