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Note by the interim Secretariat on admission of observers

1. Rule 37 of the draft Rules of Procedure reads as follows:

1. The United Nations, its specialized agencies, and any State not a Party to the Convention may be represented at the open sessions of the Conference of the Parties or its subsidiary bodies as observers.

2. Such observers may, upon invitation of the Chairperson, participate without the right to vote in the proceedings of any meeting unless at least one of the Parties present at the meeting objects.

2. Annex I of the present document contains a list of UN offices, specialized agencies and States non-Parties which expressed a wish to be represented at the first Meeting of the Conference of the Parties.

3. Rule 38 of the draft Rules of Procedure reads as follows:

1. The Conference of the Parties may admit, as observer, any body or agency, whether international or national, intergovernmental or non-governmental, which is qualified in matters covered by the Convention and which has informed the Secretariat of its wish to be represented at the open sessions of the Conference of the Parties or its subsidiary bodies, unless at least one of the Parties present at the meeting objects.

2. Such observers may, upon invitation of the Chairperson, participate without the right to vote in the proceedings of any session in matters of direct concern to the body or agency they represent, unless at least one of the Parties present at the meeting objects.

4. Annex II of the present document contains a list of international and national intergovernmental or non-governmental bodies and agencies which expressed a wish to be represented at the first Meeting of the Conference of the Parties, and which, in the view of the interim Secretariat, are qualified in matters covered by the Convention.

5. Rule 40 of the draft Rules of Procedure reads as follows:

1. The Secretariat shall compile and regularly update the list of observers referred to in Rule 37 and Rule 38. Such a list shall be communicated by the Secretariat to the Bureau of the Conference of the Parties prior to each meeting of the Conference of the Parties.

2. The Secretariat shall notify those entitled observers and those which have informed the Secretariat of their wish to be represented, pursuant to rules 37 and 38, of the dates and venue of the next meeting.

6. Rule 40 will have to await application until the second meeting of the Conference of the Parties when the Bureau is place and the Rules of Procedure are in force.

Suggested action

7. The Conference may wish to:

- (a) Admit the organizations and bodies listed in Annex II as observers in accordance with Rule 37 to 40 of the draft Rules of Procedure.
- (b) Request the interim Secretariat, in accordance with Rule 40 of the draft Rules of Procedure to compile and communicate to the Bureau of the Conference of the Parties, prior to the second Meeting of the Conference of the Parties, the list of observers referred to in Rules 37 and 38

Annex I

United Nations offices and specialized agencies, and Global Environment Facility

1. UN Department of Public Information, UN office in Azerbaijan (UNDPI)
UN 50th Anniversary 3
Baku, Azerbaijan

2. United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)
One United Nations Plaza,
New York, NY 10017
United States of America

3. United Nations Office for Project Services (UNOPS)
Europe Office (EUO) Midtermolen 3
P.O. Box 2695
2100 Copenhagen
Denmark

4. International Maritime Organization (IMO)
Marine Environmental Division
4, Albert Embarkment,
London SE1 7SR
United Kingdom

5. World Bank Group (WB)
The World Bank
1818 H Street, N.W.
Washington D.C. 20433
United States of America

6. Global Environmental Facility (GEF)
1818H Street N.W.,
Washington DC 20433
United States of America

Annex II

List of international and national, inter-governmental and non-governmental bodies and agencies

Intergovernmental Organizations

1. CASPCOM Commission
c/o Department of Hydrometeorology of the Republic of Azerbaijan
H.Aliyev str.50, Baku
Azerbaijan
2. Commission of Aquatic Bioresources of the Caspian Sea
c/o State Fisheries Committee of Turkmenistan, Ashgabad
Turkmenistan
3. European Community (EU)
European Commission, External Relations and European Neighborhood Policy
Rue de la Loi 200
B – 1049, Bruxelles
Belgium

Non-governmental Organizations

1. International Petroleum Industry Environmental Conservation Association
(IPIECA)
5th floor
209-205 Blackfriars Road
London SE1 8NL
United Kingdom
2. World Wildlife Russia (WWF)
Nikoloyamskaia str., No. 19-3
109240 Moscow
Russian Federation
3. FSC Environmental Education (FSC)
Preston Montford,
Shrewsbury Shropshire,
SY4 1HW, UK

Others

1. British Petroleum (BP)
2, Neftchilar prospecti (Bailov)
Villa Petrolea
AZ1003 Baku
Azerbaijan

