

Decision I/7

Adopted by the Meeting of the Parties to the Convention on Environmental Impact Assessment in a Transboundary Context serving as the Meeting of the Parties to the Protocol on Strategic Environmental Assessment at its first session

Decision V/7

Adopted by the Meeting of the Parties to the Convention on Environmental Impact Assessment in a Transboundary Context at its fifth session

Reporting and the review of implementation

The Meeting of the Parties to the Convention and the Meeting of the Parties to the Convention serving as the Meeting of the Parties to the Protocol on Strategic Environmental Assessment,

Meeting in joint session,

Recalling decisions III/1 and IV/1 of the Meeting of the Parties to the Convention on the review of implementation,

Recalling also article 14 bis of the Convention, as adopted by decision III/7 of the Meeting of the Parties to the Convention, that provides a legal obligation on Parties to report on their implementation of the Convention,

Recalling further article 14, paragraph 4, of the Protocol, which concerns the keeping under regular review of the implementation of the Protocol,

Recalling furthermore article 14, paragraph 7, of the Protocol, which concerns the reporting by each Party on measures that it has taken to implement the Protocol,

Recalling additionally article 13, paragraph 4, of the Protocol, which concerns the reporting by each Party on its application of article 13 on policies and legislation,

Recognizing that there are both synergies and differences between the Convention and the Protocol,

Recognizing also that regular reporting by each Party provides important information that facilitates the review of compliance under the Convention and the Protocol and thereby contributes to the work of the Implementation Committee,

Emphasizing the importance of the timely submission of reports,

1. *Request* the Implementation Committee to modify the current questionnaire to provide a questionnaire on the implementation of the Convention and of the Protocol during the period 2010–2012, for consideration by the Working Group on Environmental Impact Assessment and Strategic Environmental Assessment and for circulation, and for conversion into a parallel Internet-based questionnaire by the secretariat thereafter;

2. *Decide* that Parties to the Convention shall complete the parts of the questionnaire relating to the Convention as a report on their implementation of the Convention during the period 2010–2012, taking note of the obligation to report arising from article 14 bis of the Convention as adopted by decision III/7 of the Meeting of the Parties to the Convention, and that a failure to report on implementation might be a compliance matter to be considered by the Implementation Committee;

3. *Also decide* that Parties to the Protocol shall complete the parts of the questionnaire relating to the Protocol as a report on their implementation of the Protocol during the period 2010–2012, taking note of the obligations to report arising from article 14, paragraph 7, and article 13, paragraph 4, of the Protocol;

4. *Request* the secretariat to put the project lists included in the answers to the questionnaire on the website of the Convention unless the responding Party does not agree;

5. *Further decide* that a draft review of implementation of the Convention and of the Protocol during the period 2010–2012 based on the reports by Parties will be presented at the sixth session of Meeting of the Parties of the Convention and the second session of the Meeting of the Parties to the Convention serving as the Meeting of the Parties to the Protocol, and that the workplan shall reflect the elements required to prepare the draft review;

6. *Also request* the secretariat to post the review of implementation of the Convention and of the Protocol and national reports on the website of the Convention in the languages in which they are available.
