

Annex III-1

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Background leading to this meeting

The Action Plan for the Protection, Management and Development of the Marine and Coastal Environment of the Northwest Pacific Region (NOWPAP) and three Resolutions were adopted at the First Intergovernmental Meeting (Seoul, 14 September 1994 : UNEP(OCA)/NOWPAP/IG.1/5). Resolution 1 identified five areas of priority for implementation of the Action Plan, one of which was NOWPAP/3: Establishment of a collaborative, regional monitoring programme.

Following the decision of the 3rd Intergovernmental Meeting, the responsibility for NOWPAP/3 (Regional Monitoring Programme) was jointly shared by the Special Monitoring and Coastal Environmental Assessment Regional Activity Center (CEARAC) and the Pollution Monitoring Regional Activity Center (POMRAC) to carry out regional activities.

Following the results of discussions at the First NOWPAP/3 Meeting (Beijing, China, 21-22 May 2001), the 7th Intergovernmental Meeting (Vladivostok, 20-22 March 2002) approved the resolution 3 Para.6, "the demarcation of the responsibilities and activities between CEARAC and POMRAC as presented by the Secretariat in document UNEP/NOWPAP IG.7/8". Subsequently CEARAC was allocated with the responsibility to implement activities related to Working Group 4: HAB including red tides and Working Group 4 : Remote Sensing of Marine Environment.

In accordance with the agreement of the remote sensing subgroup at the First Focal Points Meeting of CEARAC, WG4 will be focus on the following main issues.

1. To evaluate the feasibility of monitoring present and future phenomena of environmental concern by remote sensing based on the consideration of the operational status in each country; and
2. To propose a monitoring plan by remote sensing based on the evaluation in 1).

The First Meeting of Working Group 4 will finalize its own the Terms of Reference which should be adopted at the second CEARAC Focal Points Meeting. The meeting also will define the activities to be implemented by Working Group 4, discuss the immediate and long-term workplan for Working Group 4.

Agenda Item 1. Opening of the meeting

The meeting will be opened at 10:00 am at V.I. Il'ichev Pacific Oceanological Institute (POI), Vladivostok, Russian Federation, on 1st December 2003 by the Director of CEARAC, Mr. Hiroyuki Ishitobi. Representative of the participating members will be invited to make opening statement if they wish.

Agenda Item 2. Organization of the meeting

- 2.1 The meeting will be invited to elect a Chairperson and a Rapporteur.
- 2.2 The meeting will adopt its rules of procedures. It is suggested that, for purposes of this meeting, the rule used be those of the Governing Council of UNEP, adjusted as appropriate to suit the nature of the meeting.

English will be the working language of the meeting. NOWPAP CEARAC as the Secretariat of the meeting will present a provisional list of documents.

Agenda Item 3. Adoption of the Agenda

The Provisional Agenda (NOWPAP/CEARAC/WG4 1/1) will be introduced by CEARAC with the Annotated Provisional Agenda (NOWPAP/CEARAC/WG4 1/2). The meeting will be invited to consider and adopt the agenda.

Agenda Item 4. Overview of existing activities and future plans regarding monitoring by Remote Sensing in NOWPAP Members

Some experts will be invited to make a presentation.

Dr. Young-Sang SUH (Korea)

Dr. Leonid MITNIK (Russia)

Dr. Joji ISHIZAKA , Dr. Hajime SHIRAYAMA, Dr. Shinichi TAKAO (JAPAN)

Agenda Item 5. IOC/GOOS global/regional activities, present status of the Oceanographic

satellite remote sensing, and their relations to the NOWPAP activities

Dr. Kawamura will present on this item and then participants will be invited to discuss relevant issues.

Agenda Item 6. Finalization of the Terms of Reference for NOWPAP Working Group 4

The Draft Terms of Reference for NOWPAP Working Group 4 (NOWPAP/CEARAC/WG4 1/3) submitted by CEARAC will be discussed. It should be adopted at the Second CEARAC Focal Points Meeting.

Agenda Item 7. Review and agreement of workplan for Working Group 4

- 7.1 Objective and long-term strategy will be discussed
- 7.2 Applications supported by Remote Sensing will be reviewed
- 7.3 User's needs and gaps will be discussed and defined
- 7.4 Issues concerned with operational monitoring will be discussed.
- 7.5 Proposal on development of remote sensing information network system will be discussed
- 7.6 Public outreach will be discussed
- 7.7 Needs for capacity building concerning remote sensing in each NOWPAP Member and the NOWPAP region as a whole will be identified.
- 7.8 Cooperation with other regions and organizations will be discussed.
- 7.9 The capability of CEARAC proposed by CEARAC will be discussed.
- 7.10 In order to define the status, particular problems and particular activities on remote

sensing of each NOWPAP Member, CEARAC will propose to standardize the National Report. The standard format of National Report will also be proposed by CEARAC. The meeting will be invited to discuss and agree on them.

CEARAC will propose to edit Integrated Report based upon the agreement of the remote sensing subgroup at the First CEARAC Focal Points Meeting, and the contents of Integrated Report also proposed by CEARAC. The meeting will be invited to discuss and agree on them.

7.11 The long-term plan will be discussed.

7.12 The work plan for 2004/5 biennium proposed by CEARAC will be discussed.

Agenda Item 8. Other Matters

The meeting will be invited to raise any other issues relevant to Working Group 4 activities.

Agenda Item 9. Adoption of the report of the meeting

A draft report of the meeting will be prepared by the Rapporteur for consideration and adoption.

Agenda Item 10. Closure of the meeting

The meeting will be closed by the Chairperson.