

IV/19. Ad Hoc Working Group of Legal and Technical Experts to
Consider and Develop a Draft Protocol on Liability and
Compensation for Damage Resulting from Transboundary
Movements of Hazardous Wastes and their Disposal

The Conference

1. Acknowledges the substantive progress made by the Ad Hoc Working Group of Legal and Technical Experts to Consider and Develop a Draft Protocol on Liability and Compensation for Damage Resulting from Transboundary Movements of Hazardous Wastes and their Disposal at its fifth session in May 1997;
2. Takes note of its report presented to the Conference of the Parties at its fourth meeting;
3. Acknowledges also the potential implications for the draft Protocol for Liability and Compensation of the development of the Basel Convention, inter alia, its decision III/1, as well as other relevant international conventions;
4. Extends the mandate of the Ad Hoc Working Group;
5. Requests the Ad Hoc Working Group to make all efforts possible to finalize the draft Articles of the Protocol, making use of informal meetings where possible, in order to present it for consideration and adoption by the fifth meeting of the Conference of the Parties.