

5th MEETING OF THE PARTIES TO ASCOBANS
The Netherlands, 18 - 20 September and 12 December 2006

Resolution No. 2b

Financial, budgetary and administrative matters – operating procedures of the Agreement 2007-2010

Reaffirming that the Advisory Committee, as a body tasked to provide advice on scientific, policy-related and administrative matters, needs a balance of scientists, policy-makers and administrators to adequately cover its role;

Stressing that the successful work of the Advisory Committee depends on the ability of its members to allocate sufficient time to the work of the Committee and its working groups;

Recalling that the Financial Regulations of the Agreement in relation to the Operating Reserve were not adhered to during the Triennium 2004-2006;

The Meeting of the Parties to ASCOBANS

Agrees that the meetings of the Advisory Committee will be split into a part dealing with administrative issues and a part dealing with scientific and policy issues;

Agrees that if the Chair of the Advisory Committee considers that decisions on budgetary or other matters are required between meetings of the Parties that these could be considered by extraordinary Meetings of the Parties either through electronic correspondence or face to face if required;

Instructs the Advisory Committee to work closely with the Secretariat on administrative and budgetary issues in order to ensure that the wishes of the Meeting of Parties are met;

Asks the Advisory Committee to consider reorganising management of its work to best cover the range of issues that it considers.