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Open partial agreement on the prevention of,
protection against, and organisation of relief
in major natural and technological disasters

2nd ministerial meeting
Malta, 10-11 October 1989

CONCLUSIONS

The Second ministerial meeting on the Open Partial Agreement on the prevention of, protection against, and organisation of relief in major natural and technological disasters took place at the Foundation for International Studies in Malta on 10 and 11 October 1989 (1).

I. The Ministers took note with interest of the Maltese policy in the field of civil protection and of the programme carried out in the framework of European cooperation

II. The Ministers adopted resolutions concerning the following items:

- a. the request for accession to the Open Partial Agreement by the Principality of Monaco (Resolution 1)
- b. the interest of the Soviet Union in acceding to the Open Partial Agreement (Resolution 2)
- c. the request for participation of Unesco in the Open Partial Agreement (Resolution 3)
- d. activities undertaken in the framework of the Open Partial Agreement (Resolution 4)

The texts of Resolutions 1, 2, 3 and 4 adopted are the following:

RESOLUTION 3

The Ministers of the Open Partial Agreement on the prevention of, protection against, and organisation of relief in major natural and technological disasters of the Council of Europe, convened in Malta on 10 and 11 October 1989:

1. Having noted the request for participation by Unesco in the Open Partial Agreement put forward by the Director General of Unesco, Mr Federico MAYOR, in his letter of 1st August 1989 addressed to the Secretary General of the Council of Europe
2. Aware of the interest which Unesco attaches to the problems of major natural and technological disasters

3. Convinced that cooperation between Unesco and the Council of Europe in the field of the Open Partial Agreement can contribute to the strengthening of the efficiency of the activities undertaken in the framework of this Agreement and in particular through joint actions carried out as a contribution to the Decade of the United Nations on the prevention of natural disasters

4. Support the request for participation by Unesco in the Open Partial Agreement and request the Secretary General of the Council of Europe that the present Resolution be conveyed to the Committee of Ministers of the Council of Europe sitting at the level of the States parties to the Agreement