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Convention on Long-range Transboundary Air Pollution Task Force on Persistent Organic Pollutants

Following the entry into force of the 1998 Protocol on Persistent Organic Pollutants (POPs) in 2003, the Executive Body for the Convention established the Task Force on POPs at its twenty session in December 2003. Led by Canada and the Netherlands, the Task Force addresses the needs of the reviews and reassessments required by the 1998 Aarhus Protocol on POPs and the procedures adopted in Executive Body [decision 1998/2](#). In setting up the Task Force, the Executive Body agreed [decision 2003/10](#), which identifies the functions of the Task Force, and some of its methods of work. The activities of the Task Force for 2004 were agreed in the Executive Body plan ([ECE/EB.AIR/79/Add.2](#), paragraph 1.5). The Task Force Co-Chairs will report the results of the Task Force meetings to the Convention's Working Group on Strategies and Review, which provides the Parties to the Protocol with the information necessary for their reviews and reassessments.

Information about the results of EMEP work on POPs is available from [MSC-East](#).

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