

**RESOLUTION ON
DATA POLICY FOR SAF DELIVERABLES**

**Adopted at the 33rd Meeting of the EUMETSAT Council
on 19 - 20 March 1997**

The EUMETSAT Council,

RECALLING the EUMETSAT Data Policy as defined by the EUMETSAT Council in Resolution EUM/C/Res.VII as amended by Resolutions EUM/C/Res.XXI and XXVI,

RECALLING the Policy for EUMETSAT Ground Systems and the Implementation of the MTP Ground System as defined by the EUMETSAT Council in Resolution EUM/C/92/Res.V,

RECALLING the Conditions of Access to Real Time EUMETSAT HRI Data Within and Outside the EUMETSAT Member States, as defined by the EUMETSAT Council in Resolution EUM/C/96/Res.IV,

NOTING the Cooperation Agreement for the SAF on "Support to Nowcasting and Very Short Range Forecasting" as agreed by Council at its 32nd meeting (on 3 - 5 December 1996),

WISHING to apply EUMETSAT's Data Policy principles also to the SAF deliverables,

AGREE:

- I** That all data, products and software deliverables under a SAF Cooperation Agreement, together with all related intellectual property rights, shall be owned by EUMETSAT and be subject to the relevant EUMETSAT Policies agreed by the EUMETSAT Council.
- II** That all data, products and software deliverables developed for distribution to users shall be available to all National Meteorological Services of EUMETSAT's Member States free of charge.
- III** That distribution to other users, of data, products and software deliverables developed for distribution shall be subject to the conditions of the relevant EUMETSAT policies agreed by the EUMETSAT Council. Due recognition shall be given to the respective roles of the SAF Host, the Cooperating Entities and EUMETSAT in the establishment of data, products and software distributed to users under EUMETSAT policy.

- IV** That certain pre-existing data, products and software owned by the SAF Host and/or the Cooperating Entities may be utilised in fulfilling the SAF Agreement. In such cases, the data, products and software will be listed in an annex to the Agreement. Ownership of such data, products and software shall not be transferred by virtue of the Agreement.
- V** That EUMETSAT shall have a free-of-charge, irrevocable, non-exclusive right to use, modify and copy such pre-existing data, products and software for its own purposes. Should such data, products or software be required to operate a software deliverable developed under the Agreement for distribution to users, EUMETSAT shall have the right to grant sub-licences to use such data, products and software in all its Member States.

RESOLUTION ON

THE START OF THE EPS BRIDGING PHASE

**Adopted at the 33rd meeting of the EUMETSAT Council
on 19 - 20 March 1997**

The EUMETSAT Member States,

RECALLING Resolution EUM/C/96/Res.VI presented for adoption at the 32nd Council on 3 - 5 December 1996,

EMPHASISING the importance of the Resolution EUM/C/96/Res.II adopted on 26 - 27 June 1996,

NOTING that Resolution EUM/C/96/Res.VI allows discontinuation of the Bridging Phase on 30 June 1997 by a Council decision with simple majority, and further that the Bridging Phase will automatically terminate on 31 October 1997 if, at that time, the approval of the EPS programme has not been achieved,

NOTING that the votes of Belgium, Greece and the Netherlands are conditional with regard to the finalisation of national approval procedures,

EXPECTING that Belgium, Greece and the Netherlands will be able to lift their ad referenda within a short period of time,

AGREE:

- I** That the necessary tasks foreseen to be carried out under the EPS Bridging Phase activities can start with effect from 20 March 1997, and that the appropriations foreseen in the 1997 EUMETSAT Budget for industrial and internal EPS Bridging Phase activities are released,
- II** That tasks related to the procurement of elements of the single space segment (e.g. long lead items) are undertaken in coordination with the according tasks in the ESA programme METOP-1,
- III** That Belgium, Greece and the Netherlands will be legally obliged to contribute financially after finalisation of national approval procedures, and that their contributions would become due 30 days after notification,

- IV** That if Belgium, Greece and the Netherlands would not be in a position to confirm finalisation of national approval procedures by 1 July 1997 at the latest, those Member States who have agreed unconditionally to contribute to the start of the EPS Bridging Phase will decide on the action to be taken,
- V** That in the 1997 budget, an amount corresponding to the contributions of Belgium, Greece and the Netherlands is blocked under Article 410 until the finalisation of national approval procedures has been notified to the EUMETSAT Secretariat,
- VI** That the time at which it shall be possible to discontinue the Bridging Phase by Council decision with simple majority shall be changed from 30 June 1997 to 31 August 1997,
- VII** That the time at which the Bridging Phase will automatically terminate, if the EPS programme is not approved, is changed from 31 October 1997 to 31 December 1997.

RESOLUTION ON
THE EXTENSION OF THE EUMETSAT HEADQUARTERS

**Adopted at the 34th meeting of the EUMETSAT Council
on 24 - 26 June 1997**

The EUMETSAT Council,

NOTING the need to extend the current EUMETSAT Headquarters building in order to accommodate the relevant control centres, EUMETSAT staff and associated personnel,

NOTING that the group of building experts from EUMETSAT's Member States set up by AFG in 1996 confirmed to Council that the building requirements as set out by the Secretariat in document EUM/C/32/96/DOC/39 are justified,

NOTING that the Council, at its 32nd Meeting on 3 - 5 December 1996, approved the Procurement Proposal for the extension of the EUMETSAT Headquarters building by a third phase,

CONSIDERING the urgent necessity to start the construction work in Summer 1997,

AGREES:

- I** To adopt Option 2 of the Contract Proposal for the extension of the EUMETSAT Headquarters building as set out in document EUM/C/34/97/DOC/30,
- II** To fund Option 2 (4.9 MECU) plus the associated planning and monitoring cost (0.6 MECU), from MSG (4 MECU) and from the General Budget (1.5 MECU),
- III** To add to the building contract a clause which permits EUMETSAT to opt for the full building at the November 1997 Council, taking into account further progress on the approval of EPS,
- IV** To redistribute the cost in the event that III is implemented as follows:
MSG 2.5 MECU; General Budget 1.5 MECU. The remaining part to be funded by EPS.

**RESOLUTION ON
THE EPS PROGRAMME APPROVAL**

**Adopted at the 36th meeting of the EUMETSAT Council
on 25-27 November 1997**

The EUMETSAT Council,

NOTING the presentation of the METOP Contract Proposal to the 36th Meeting of the EUMETSAT Council on 25-27 November 1997 and to the 161st Meeting of the Industrial Policy Committee of ESA on 26-27 November 1997,

NOTING with satisfaction that 11 Member States in the 36th Meeting of the EUMETSAT Council voted in favour of the EPS Programme Resolution, 5 of which were ad referendum,

NOTING that the above-mentioned EUMETSAT Member States having voted on the EPS Programme Resolution have the expectation that all EUMETSAT Member States will have voted in favour of the programme by 31 January 1998,

CONSIDERING that a tour de table on the METOP Contract Proposal showed that 12 delegations were positive without reservation, 2 were positive ad referendum and 3 were keeping their position open,

NOTING that Italy at the present time is not able to vote on the EPS Programme Resolution, stating this to be a result of the fact that, if it is assumed that Italy's motivation within EUMETSAT is met in the METOP Contract Proposal, then there is a lack of adherence to a provision of the ESA Resolution, ESA/C-M/CXXXIX/Res.1 (Final),

NOTING that Spain is also not in a position to vote on the EPS Programme Resolution, and not yet satisfied with the implementation of Agree I of EUM/C/96/Res.II,

NOTING that ESA and EUMETSAT intend to carry out jointly, in the framework of a Cooperation Agreement, the complementary METOP and EPS Programmes,

AGREE:

- I** to invite ESA as a matter of urgency to find a solution, together with EUMETSAT, to the issues raised by Italy and Spain without jeopardising the METOP/EPS Programmes and without producing any potential increase of costs,
- II** on the urgency of all EUMETSAT Member States completing the national procedures in respect of the EPS Programme.

**RESOLUTION ON
THE EXTENSION OF THE EPS BRIDGING PHASE**

**Presented for Adoption at the 36th meeting of the EUMETSAT Council
on 25-27 November 1997**

**Adopted at the 39th meeting of the EUMETSAT Council
on 7 September 1998**

The EUMETSAT Member States,

RECALLING that the EPS Programme Resolution was opened for voting by the 32nd EUMETSAT Council,

NOTING the present status of voting on the EPS Programme Resolution is that 11 Member States have voted in favour, of which 5 are ad referendum,

NOTING that the Contract Proposal for the METOP satellites has been presented to the 36th Council Meeting,

RECALLING Resolution EUM/C/96/Res. VI, adopted at the 32nd Meeting of the EUMETSAT Council on 3-5 December 1996, which established the EPS Bridging Phase,

RECALLING Resolution EUM/C/97/Res. II, adopted at the 33rd Meeting of the EUMETSAT Council on 19-20 March 1997, which agreed to start the EPS Bridging Phase,

RECOGNISING the need to maintain the momentum achieved on the EPS Programme through the continuation of the funding of critical activities related to the Single Space Segment and EUMETSAT internal costs,

AGREE:

- I** On a one-month extension of the EPS Bridging Phase for internal costs and essential activities in industry, this meaning that the EPS Bridging Phase and the extension will terminate on 31 January 1998,
- II** To carry forward the unused 1997 PA from the Bridging Phase industrial contract,
- III** To contribute an amount of MECU 7.527 CA and MECU 7.027 PA for this extension of the EPS Bridging Phase,
- IV** That the EPS Bridging Phase, including the extension, will continue to be administered as a distinct sub-envelope within the General Budget,
- V** That the MHS Project Funding will continue in parallel in accordance with Resolution EUM/C/95/Res. VII,
- VI** That the activities and financial commitments undertaken by EUMETSAT in the context of the EPS Bridging Phase and the extension will, in the end, be wholly subsumed within the overall EPS Programme envelope.

RESOLUTION ON
THE START OF THE EPS BRIDGING PHASE EXTENSION

**Adopted at the 36th Meeting of the EUMETSAT Council
on 25-27 November 1997**

The EUMETSAT Member States,

RECALLING the Resolution on the Extension of the EPS Bridging Phase presented for adoption at the 36th Council on 25-27 November 1997,

NOTING that the above Resolution was adopted unanimously, with, however, the votes of Denmark, Germany, Greece, Portugal, Spain and Turkey being ad referendum,

EXPECTING that Denmark, Germany, Greece, Portugal, Spain and Turkey will be able to lift their ad referenda within a short period of time,

AGREE:

- I** That the tasks foreseen to be carried out under the EPS Bridging Phase Extension can start with effect from 1 January 1998, and that the appropriations foreseen in the 1998 EUMETSAT Budget for the EPS Bridging Phase Extension are released,
- II** That Denmark, Germany, Greece, Portugal, Spain and Turkey will be legally obliged to contribute financially only after their ad referenda on the Resolution on the Extension of the EPS Bridging Phase have been lifted,
- III** That if Denmark, Germany, Greece, Portugal, Spain and Turkey would not be in a position to lift their ad referenda by 31 January 1998 at the latest, those Member States who have agreed unconditionally to contribute to the start of the EPS Bridging Phase Extension will decide on the action to be taken,
- IV** That in the 1998 budget on the EPS Bridging Phase Extension, an amount corresponding to the contributions of Denmark, Germany, Greece, Portugal, Spain and Turkey is blocked as long as the Member State in question has not lifted its ad referendum.

RESOLUTION ON
THE EXTENSION OF THE METEOSAT TRANSITION PROGRAMME
(MTP)

Adopted at the 36th meeting of the EUMETSAT Council
on 25-27 November 1997

The EUMETSAT Member States,

HAVING REGARD to the EUMETSAT Convention, which states that the primary objective of EUMETSAT is to establish, maintain and exploit European systems of operational meteorological satellites,

CONSIDERING that the MTP Programme was set up to ensure a continuous operational service to provide data from geostationary satellites, and to fill the gap between the Meteosat Operational Programme (MOP) and the Meteosat Second Generation Programme (MSG),

NOTING that the MTP Programme, established through Resolution EUM/C/Res.XXVII in November 1990, will end on 1 December 2000,

BEARING IN MIND that the launch of the first MSG satellite is currently scheduled for the autumn of 2000, and that it is unlikely that the MSG system will be ready to provide an operational system by 1 December 2000,

BEARING IN MIND that the MSG system will not provide for a hot back-up until the year 2002,

REQUIRING an overlap period with parallel MTP and MSG operations,

NOTING that the successful launch and commissioning of the MTP satellite has rendered it possible to extend MTP operations well beyond December 2000,

NOTING FURTHER that the EUMETSAT MTP Ground Segment allows for parallel operations of the MTP and MSG satellites,

AGREE:

I To extend the MTP Programme at least until 31 December 2004, in order to cover the extension of the MTP operational service at least until 31 December 2003 and subsequent close-out activities;

- II** To limit the funding of the extension of the Meteosat Transition Programme to stay within the overall programme envelope of 280 MECU at 1989 economic conditions;
- III** To amend Annex I, Chapter C of the EUMETSAT Convention as follows:
- In Section 1 (Introduction) replace third line *in fine* by "... at least until 31 December 2003";
 - In Section 2 (The Ground Segment) replace third line *in fine* by "... at least until 31 December 2003";
 - In Section 4 (Implementation Plan) replace second paragraph, second line *in fine* by "... at least for 8 years".