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(Greece)**

- REPORT BY THE GOVERNMENT -

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Subject: **Response to the 26.9.2016 of the Bern Convention Secretariat Mail in relation to the Recommendation No 174 (2014) –Complaint No 2010/5 in Kyparissia Bay (Natura GR 2550005 site).**

Related documents: 1. Your Mail of 26.9.2016 (attached to Perm. Repr. Greece CoE documents with ref. 6734/1004/27.9.2016 & our ref.46473/1520/28.9.2016, with relevant ref 6734/981/15.9.2016 & our ref. 44470/19.9.2016, ref 6734/984/15.9.2016 & our ref. 44472/19.9.2016)

In response to your Mail of 26.9.2016 we would like to inform you that the Presidential Decree for the protection of, both the marine and terrestrial areas of Kyparissia Bay, has been sent for legal

review to the relevant department of the Ministry of Environment and Energy. After the legal-technical treatment, the Presidential Decree will be sent initially for approval to the Alternate Minister and Minister of Environment and Energy and then to the Council of State in order to process it.

We would further point out, that the provisions of the Ministerial Decision No 25794, published in the Government Gazette (141Δ/24.5.2016), suggest, until the adoption of the management plan, specific measures and restrictions regarding the activities on nesting areas, of the species *Caretta caretta*.

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Subject: Response to the 15-12-2015 of the Bern Convention Secretariat letter in relation to the Recommendation No 174 (2014) –Complaint No 2010/5 in Kyparissia Bay (Natura GR 2550005 site).

Related documents: 1. Your letter of 15-12-2015 (our ref. 41526/1255/30.8.2016)

In response to your letter of 15-12-2015, we would like to inform you that in the context of the obligations that stem from the 92/43 Directive, the Ministry has recently issued a Ministerial Decision (No 25794) published in the Government Gazzette (141Δ/24.5.2016) for the protection of both the Marine and Terristrial Areas in Kyparissia Bay according to the Law 3937/2011 (article 6 par 9). The Decision aims at providing a 3-year protective status until the legal procedures for the Presidential Decree issuing are completed.

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