

8.2. Proposals

Proposals given in this point will be obligatory for both Parties and do not require further approval when the actual Joint Annual Report is approved and signed by Nominated Monitoring Agents.

- 1. Concerning the average annual flow rate discharged into the Danube old riverbed the newly agreed evaluation rules will be applied since 2005. New evaluation rules are given in the Preface part of this report in the section of "Fulfilment of recommendations in the Joint Annual Report 2003".
- 2. According to the agreement of experts unified evaluation of sediment quality will be performed on 2005 sediment quality analysis data. Further attention will be given to the exact application of the agreed method in conditions of the Danube river. Cooperation of experts for surface and ground water quality will continue on improvement of the water quality data concordance as well.
- 3. Further attention should be paid on revision of biological data included in the data exchange in the frame of joint monitoring in connection of approximation of EU legislation in surface water quality.
- 4. In connection with the evaluation of the forest monitoring on Hungarian side the Slovak Party suggests revision of monitoring sites and data completeness. According to the suggestion No. 5 in the Joint Annual Report on the environmental monitoring in 2001 a list of new Hungarian monitoring areas had been prepared and accepted. However, no data belonging to these new monitoring areas have been provided till now.
- 5. With regard to the declared unfavourable development of forest stands of significant extent in the right side inundation area the Slovak Party suggests realizing the aerial survey, focused to the evaluation of the forest health state. Results should give answer to what extent are the forest stands healthy, unhealthy or even dry. The aerial survey had been accepted as one of the monitoring method in the forest monitoring.
- 6. The Parties suggest a modification of the Statute, which is necessary for changes essential for realisation of monitoring tasks of the Water Framework Directive till December 31, 2006, as well as for rationalization of the monitoring system. The Hungarian Party will submit a proposal for modification.