

(ii) *OSPAR Commission for the Protection of the Marine Environment of the North East Atlantic*

1. The main work of the OSPAR Commission in 2002 has been the implementation of the five strategies on hazardous substances, radioactive substances, combatting eutrophication, the environmental impacts of the offshore oil and gas industry and the protection of marine ecosystems and biodiversity, together with the joint assessment and monitoring programme.
2. On hazardous substances, the Commission revised its List of Chemicals for Priority Action, adopted background documents on policies for the control of a number of hazardous substances (cadmium, dicofol, dioxins, endosulphan, hexachlorocyclohexane (lindane), lead and organic lead compounds and