

*Analysis on the Methodology for Drafting The Reports on the State of the
Environment*

The National Council on the Environment and Sustainable Development/CNADS, giving continuity to its previous Comments on the State of Environment Reports (SER), and looking for the request of the Cabinet of the Secretary of State Environment, for “appropriate inputs for the next SER”, based on its 18th edition, has considered that:

- i. The format lay-out adopted in 2003 is that one come closer to the appropriated;
- ii. Taking into account the last edition, shorter than the SER 2004 assume, the Report should provide adequate chronological coherent information to allow for a comparative assessment and providing to the different users a repository of accurate and clear data;
- iii. SER should be gradually articulated with the Land Use Planning Report (LUPR), thereby optimizing the integration of both political competence areas under the same ministry;
- iv. Certain continuity in the lay-out and thematic context of this type of document of analysis and reference should be ensured, with a view to provide the necessary comparative studies of the most important environmental components and their interactions and also of the interfaces between policies of various issues. Keeping the tendency to a model that supplies aggregated and coherent information, in line with the format of the 2003 Report; the chapter on environmental indicators should be addressed in the same manner as in the 2004 Report, although covering a larger number of thematic issues.