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Towards a new ocean governance

Parliamentary Assembly

1. The Parliamentary Assembly notes with great concern that, in recent decades, the oceans, which cover two-thirds of Earth's surface, have been particularly affected by environmental problems, in spite of the 1982 United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea and the many standard-setting legal instruments that have supplemented it.

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- 7.6. adopt ocean-friendly policies for coastline management, supervision of economic activity and water-basin preservation;
- 7.7. implement or, if they have not done so, sign and/or ratify existing conventions on the law of the sea and in particular on people who work on, or make use of, the sea.
- 8. The Assembly wishes to continue its consideration of this area, in particular with regard to the preservation and potential of the oceans and the impact of the exploitation of maritime resources on the various aspects of sustainable development.