

## **OEWG-11/12: Providing further legal clarity**

### *The Open-ended Working Group*

1. *Welcomes* the work undertaken by the expert working group on the review of annexes I, III and IV and related aspects of Annex IX to the Basel Convention and takes note of the note by its co-chairs on the way forward;<sup>1</sup>

2. *Invites* Parties and others to submit to the Secretariat, by 31 October 2018, comments on the possible way forward leading up to the fifteenth and sixteenth meetings of the Conference of the Parties, as presented in appendix II to the annex to document UNEP/CHW/OEWG.11/INF/30;

3. *Requests* the Secretariat to publish comments received pursuant to paragraph 2 of the present decision on the website of the Basel Convention and to compile those comments for consideration by the expert working group;

4. *Requests* the expert working group to continue its work on the review of annexes, in accordance with appendix I to the annex to document UNEP/CHW/OEWG.11/INF/30, working by electronic means and, subject to the availability of funding, through a face-to-face meeting, and to prepare recommendations for revisions to Annex IV and Annex IX (B1110) for consideration by the Conference of the Parties at its fourteenth meeting;

5. *Requests* the Secretariat to make available to Parties and observers, by 8 January 2019, the recommendations for revisions to Annex IV and Annex IX (B1110) referred to in paragraph 4 of the present decision;

6. *Invites* Parties and others to submit to the Secretariat, by 15 March 2019, comments on the recommendations for revisions to Annex IV and Annex IX (B1110);

7. *Requests* the Secretariat to publish comments received pursuant to paragraph 6 of the present decision on the website of the Basel Convention and to compile those comments for consideration by the Conference of the Parties at its fourteenth meeting;

8. *Recommends* that the Conference of the Parties at its fourteenth meeting consider including the review of entry B1110 and the review of mirror entry A1180 in the terms of reference of the expert working group;

9. *Takes note* of the comments submitted by Parties on whether to consider the review of Annexes II, VIII and IX to the Basel Convention;<sup>2</sup>

10. *Suggests* that the Conference of the Parties at its fourteenth meeting consider extending the mandate of the expert working group to enable it to assess the implications of the review of Annexes I, III and IV for other annexes of the Convention and for relevant decisions of the Conference of the Parties, inter alia, for the notification and movement documents and the reporting format, and to report on its findings to the Open-ended Working Group at its twelfth meeting.

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<sup>1</sup> UNEP/CHW/OEWG.11/INF/30.

<sup>2</sup> UNEP/CHW/OEWG.11/INF/31.