

<b>Convention: BC</b>	<b>Legal and policy activities specific to the Basel Convention: translation of information notified pursuant to Articles 3 (national definitions), 4(1) (import prohibitions) and 13 (2) (transmission of information).</b>	
<b>LEGAL BASIS/MANDATE:</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Programme of Work Activity 32: Legal and policy activities specific to the Basel Convention</li> <li>• Decision BC-11/10: National legislation, notifications, enforcement of the Convention and efforts to combat illegal traffic</li> <li>• Decision BC-11/26: Financing and budget for the biennium 2014–2015</li> </ul>		
<b>BACKGROUND INFORMATION:</b>		
<p>The legal and policy activities specific to the Basel Convention aim at ensuring that the Convention operates on a sound legal basis. The legal and policy activities set out in activity BC 32 fall under four categories:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Work programme of the Basel Convention Implementation and Compliance Committee (ICC)</li> <li>2. Implementation fund</li> <li>3. Strategic Framework for the implementation of the Basel Convention 2012-2021</li> <li>4. Translation of information notified pursuant to Articles 3 (national definitions), 4(1) (import prohibitions) and 13 (2) (transmission of information)</li> </ol> <p>This concept note focuses on the <u>translation of information notified pursuant to Articles 3 (national definitions), 4(1) (import prohibitions) and 13 (2) (transmission of information)</u>. In order to effectively implement the Convention and to ensure compliance with relevant national implementing laws, regulations and policies, the parties need sound and complete information about their own and other parties' additional requirements under their national legal frameworks. Making this information available at least in English is essential to supporting cooperation between parties and making available information with a view to promoting environmentally sound management of hazardous wastes. In its decision BC-11/10, COP-11 requested the Secretariat to continue its proactive approach to the collection and dissemination of information notified under Article 3 and paragraph 2 of Article 13 of the Convention as well as under paragraph 1 of Article 4 and paragraph 2 of Article 13, to assist parties in ensuring that the information so notified is up to date, accurate and complete and, within available resources, to make such information available in the six official languages of the United Nations.</p>		
<b>PROPOSED ACTIVITIES TO BE FUNDED:</b>		
<p>The activities to be funded are two-fold:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. the translation of notifications received in as many of the official languages of the United Nations as possible;</li> <li>2. 15% of a General Service staff post to undertake the activities associated with the translation of the notifications.</li> </ol>		
<b>RESULTS TO BE ACHIEVED:</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The translation of information notified to the Secretariat will contribute to the effective implementation of the Convention and ensure compliance with relevant national implementing laws, regulations and policies, by providing parties with sound and complete information about other parties' additional requirements under their national legal frameworks.</li> </ul>		
<b>VOLUNTARY BUDGET [USD] FOR 2014-2015</b>		
<b>10</b>	<b>PROJECT PERSONNEL COMPONENT</b>	
1300	General Service Staff	43,073
<b>20</b>	<b>SUB-CONTRACT COMPONENT</b>	
2200	Sub-contracts	
2210	Translation of notifications transmitted pursuant to articles 3, 4, and 13	70,000

<b>VOLUNTARY BUDGET [USD] FOR 2014-2015</b>	
<b>DIRECT PROJECT COST OPERATIONAL BUDGET</b>	<b>113,073</b>
<b>Programme Support Costs (PCS) 13%</b>	<b>14,700</b>
<b>TOTAL OPERATIONAL BUDGET</b>	<b>127,773</b>