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Subject: Working Party on International Environment Issues

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Venue: COUNCIL

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Basel Convention

1. Open-ended Working Group of the Basel Convention, Sixth session (OEWG 6)
(3 - 7 September 2007, Geneva)
 - (a) Overview of organisational arrangements
 - (b) Presentation of the Presidency team and tasks (*document distributed on 3 July*)
2. Dumping of toxic wastes in Abidjan, Côte d'Ivoire
3. Basel Convention regional and coordinating centres
 - (a) Review of the operation of the centres
 - (b) Consideration of the proposal for the establishment of a regional centre for South Asia in the South Asia Cooperative Environment Programme
4. Technical matters
 - (a) Technical guidelines on environmentally sound management
 - (i) Revised technical guidelines on environmentally sound management of used tyres

- (ii) Review of other selected technical guidelines
 - (iii) POPs
 - (iv) Stockholm Convention revised draft guidelines on BAT and provisional guidance on BEP
 - (b) Review of the guidance document on environmentally sound management of used and end-of-life mobile phones and Chairman's paper on issues raised during the discussion of the guidelines on transboundary movement of used and end-of-life mobile phones
 - (c) Classification and hazard characterization of wastes
 - (i) Review of work on the guidance papers on H10 and H11
 - (ii) Review of cooperation with the World Customs Organization and its Harmonized System Committee
 - (iii) Amendments of entries related to POPs
 - (d) Review or adjustment of the lists of wastes contained in Annexes VIII and IX
 - (e) Harmonization and coordination (Working relationship OEWG - UN Subcommittee of Experts on the Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals)
 - (f) National classification and control procedures for the import of wastes contained in Annex IX
5. Legal and compliance matters
 - (a) Illegal traffic: review of the outline of an instruction manual for the legal profession
 - (b) Review of the implementation of decision V/32 on enlargement of the scope of the BD Trust Fund
 - (c) Protocol on liability and compensation: review of options for meeting the requirement of insurance, bonds or other financial guarantees
 - (d) Addressing the interpretation of Article 17(5) of the Convention
 6. Cooperation and coordination
 - (a) Cooperation and coordination between the Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm Conventions
 - (b) Cooperation between the Basel Convention and the IMO
 7. Strategic partnerships
 - (a) Partnership Programme: progress on implementation of the 2007-2008 work plan
 - (b) Mobile Phones Partnership Initiative
 - (c) E-waste
 - (d) Mercury
 - (e) Asbestos
 8. Resource mobilization and sustainable financing
 9. Financial matters
 10. Work programme of the OEWG for 2009–2010
 11. Organization of COP 9
 12. Strategic plan for the implementation of the Basel Convention
 13. Any other business
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