Implementation of the interim prior informed consent procedure

Confirmation of experts designated for the Interim Chemical Review Committee

Note by the secretariat

1. At its sixth session, by decision INC-6/2, the Intergovernmental Negotiating Committee established an interim subsidiary body to be called the Interim Chemical Review Committee, composed of 29 government-designated experts in chemical management appointed by the Intergovernmental Negotiating Committee on the basis of the interim PIC regions, as follows: six experts from Africa; five experts from Asia; six experts from Europe; five experts from Latin America and the Caribbean; three experts from the Near East; two experts from North America; and two experts from the Southwest Pacific.

2. At the same session of the Intergovernmental Negotiating Committee the interim PIC regional groups identified countries for the Interim Chemical Review Committee from those countries that were participating in the interim PIC procedure, as follows: (a) Africa: Cameroon, Ethiopia, Gambia, Mauritius, Morocco and South Africa; (b) Asia: China, India, Indonesia, Japan and Nepal; (c) Europe: Finland, Germany, Hungary, Netherlands, Russian Federation and Turkey; (d) Latin America and the Caribbean: Barbados, Brazil, Chile, Ecuador and El Salvador; (e) Near East: Egypt, Qatar and Sudan; (f) North America: Canada and United States of America; and (g) Southwest Pacific: Australia and Samoa.

3. In decision INC-6/2 the Intergovernmental Negotiating Committee decided that the 29 Governments identified should formally designate these experts and, through the secretariat, provide their
names and relevant qualifications to the parties of the Intergovernmental Negotiating Committee. Such experts were to serve as members of the Interim Chemical Review Committee on an interim basis, pending formal confirmation of their appointment by the Intergovernmental Negotiating Committee at its seventh session.

4. During the inter-sessional period all countries identified for designation of experts for the Interim Chemical Review Committee provided formal designations of experts to the secretariat. The secretariat in turn provided the names and qualifications of the experts to all parties of the Intergovernmental Negotiating Committee in the document UNEP/FAO/PIC/ICRC.1/INF/3, distributed as a meeting document of the first session of the Interim Chemical Review Committee, held in Geneva from 21 to 25 February 2000.

5. Experts were designated as follows:

Africa

Cameroon
Mr. Dudley Achu Sama
Senior Programme Manager
Coordonateur du Programme national sur la sécurité chimique

Ethiopia
Mr. Tequam Tesfamariam
Leader, Environmental Pollution and Hazardous Wastes Management Team
Environmental Protection Authority

Gambia
Mrs. Fatoumata Jallow Ndoye
Co-ordinator of the Technical Services Network
National Environment Agency

Mauritius
Mr. Ravinandan Sibartie
Consultant, Occupational Diseases
Ministry of Health

Morocco
Mr. Mohamed Ammati
Professor
Institut agronomique et vétérinaire Hassan II

South Africa
Mr. Jan Ferdinand Goede
Principal Environmental Engineer
Sasol SHE Centre

Asia

China
Ms. Yong-Zhen Yang
Director, General Department
Institute of Control of Agrochemicals

India
Mr. R.R. Khan
Director, Hazardous Substances Management
Ministry of Environment and Forests
Indonesia
Mr. Kasumbogo Untung
Special Assistant to the Minister of Environment for Global Environment Affairs

Japan
Mr. Masayuki Ikeda
Professor Emeritus of Kyoto University
Kyoto Industrial Health Association

Nepal
Mr. Bhakta Raj Palikhe
Pesticide Registration Officer
Ministry of Agriculture

Europe

Finland
Mr. Marc Debois
Principal Administrator, Directorate-General for Environment
European Commission

Germany
Mr. Reiner Arndt
Director, Head of Department
Federal Institute of Occupational Safety and Health

Hungary
Mr. Tamás Kömives
Director
Plant Protection Institute

Netherlands
Mr. Karel A. Gijbertsen
Policy Advisor
Ministry of Housing, Spatial Planning and the Environment

Russian Federation
Mr. Boris Kurlyandski
Director
Russian Register of Potentially Hazardous Chemical and Biological Substances

Turkey
Ms. Nida Besbelli
Director, Poison Research Department
Ministry of Health

Latin America and the Caribbean

Barbados
Ms. Beverly Wood
Senior Scientific Officer
Government Analytical Laboratory

Brazil
Ms. Sandra de Souza Hacon
Professor, Consultant
Fluminense Federal University

Chile
Mr. Julio C. Monreal
Jefe, Departamento de Programas sobre Ambiente
Ministerio de Salud
5. The contact information and details of qualifications of each expert, as received by the secretariat, can be found in the document UNEP/FAO/PIC/INC.7/INF/2.

POSSIBLE ACTION BY THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL NEGOTIATING COMMITTEE

6. Further to the decision taken at its sixth session, the Committee may wish to review the information on qualifications of experts and formally confirm the appointment of each expert by adopting the draft decision set out in the annex to the present document.
Annex

Draft decision INC-7/…: Confirmation of the appointment of the members of the Interim Chemical Review Committee

The Intergovernmental Negotiating Committee,

Recalling its decision INC-6/2, in which it resolved that the 29 Governments it had identified should formally designate experts for the Interim Chemical Review Committee and, through the secretariat, provide their names and relevant qualifications to the parties to the Intergovernmental Negotiating Committee by 15 September 1999, and that such experts should serve as members of the Interim Chemical Review Committee on an interim basis, pending formal confirmation of their appointment by the Intergovernmental Negotiating Committee at its seventh session,

1. Decides to formally appoint the 29 experts designated by Governments identified in paragraph 1 of decision INC-6/2 to act as members of the Interim Chemical Review Committee, as follows:

Africa

Cameroon Mr. Dudley Achu Sama
Ethiopia Mr. Tequam Tesfamariam
Gambia Mrs. Fatoumata Jallow Ndoye
Mauritius Mr. Ravinandan Sibartie
Morocco Mr. Mohamed Ammati
South Africa Mr. Jan Ferdinand Goede

Asia

China Ms. Yong-Zhen Yang
India Mr. R.R. Khan
Indonesia Mr. Kasumbogo Untung
Japan Mr. Masayuki Ikeda
Nepal Mr. Bhakta Raj Palikhe

Europe

Finland Mr. Marc Debois
Germany Mr. Reiner Amdt
Hungary Mr. Tamás Kömives
2. Reaffirms the provisions of decision INC-6/2 as regards the duration and terms of service of the experts.