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INTERGOVERNMENTAL NEGOTIATING COMMITTEE FOR AN
INTERNATIONAL LEGALLY BINDING INSTRUMENT FOR
THE APPLICATION OF THE PRIOR INFORMED CONSENT
PROCEDURE FOR CERTAIN HAZARDOUS CHEMICALS AND
PESTICIDES IN INTERNATIONAL TRADE

Eighth session

Rome, 8-12 October 2001

Provisional agenda

1. Opening of the session.
2. Organizational matters:
 - (a) Adoption of the agenda;
 - (b) Organization of work.
3. Activities of the secretariat and review of the situation as regards extrabudgetary funds.
4. Implementation of the interim prior informed consent procedure:
 - (a) Status of implementation of the interim prior informed consent procedure;
 - (b) Confirmation of experts designated for the Interim Chemical Review Committee;
 - (c) Presentation of the report of the Interim Chemical Review Committee on the work of its second session;
 - (d) Adoption of decision guidance documents for already identified chemicals;
 - (e) Contaminants;

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- (f) Issues associated with the operational procedures for the Interim Chemical Review Committee;
 - (g) Inclusion of chemicals in the interim prior informed consent procedure;
 - (h) Analysis of problems frequently encountered by Parties in their preparation of notifications;
 - (i) Submission of notifications of chemicals already subject to the prior informed consent procedure – possible options to reconcile the need for information exchange with available resources;
 - (j) Conflict of interest procedures for the Interim Chemical Review Committee.
5. Preparation for the Conference of the Parties:
- (a) Draft rules of procedure for the Conference of the Parties;
 - (b) Draft financial rules and provisions;
 - (c) Settlement of disputes;
 - (d) Non-compliance;
 - (e) Assignment of specific Harmonized System customs codes;
 - (f) Issues related to the discontinuation of the interim prior informed consent procedure.
6. Issues arising out of the Conference of Plenipotentiaries:
- (a) Support for implementation;
 - (b) Dispute settlement, illicit trafficking and responsibility and liability;
 - (c) Location of the secretariat.
7. Status of signature and ratification of the Convention.
8. Other matters.
9. Adoption of the report.
10. Closure of the meeting.
