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

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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 prior informed consent (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 South-West Pacific.
2. The Intergovernmental Negotiating Committee also identified Governments in each region, which should formally designate experts for the Interim Chemical Review Committee. Subsequently, the 29 Governments designated experts and provided, through the secretariat, their names and qualifications to the members of the Intergovernmental Negotiating Committee. The Intergovernmental Negotiating Committee confirmed nominations of these experts at its seventh session, by means of decision INC-7/1. A vacancy that arose later for experts from the South-West Pacific region was filled in accordance with the provisions of decision INC-6/2.
3. In February 2002, one expert, who had been designated by a Government from the North-American region and whose designation had been confirmed by decision INC-7/1, informed the secretariat of her

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resignation from the Interim Chemical Review Committee. Following this resignation, the Government of Canada submitted to the secretariat a designation of a new expert from the region, indicating that the nomination was issued in consultation with the other members of the region. The designation, together with the qualifications of the expert designated, may be found in annex I to the present note.

4. The new expert, who has been acting as a member of the Interim Chemical Review Committee on an interim basis pending formal confirmation of his nomination by the Intergovernmental Negotiating Committee, participated in the third session of the Interim Chemical Review Committee.

5. The Committee may wish to review the information concerning the qualifications of the expert and formally confirm the appointment of the expert from Canada to replace the previously nominated expert, by adopting the draft decision set out in annex II to the present note.

Annex I

Qualifications of the expert from Canada as received by the secretariat

The Permanent Mission of Canada
to the United Nations



La Mission Permanente du Canada
auprès des Nations Unies

February 18, 2002

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UNEP
By fax: 797-3460

Dear Mr. Larsson,

This is to confirm that, pursuant to consultation within the North American region, it has been agreed to designate Mr. Rob Ward, of the Pest Management Regulatory Agency of Canada, as replacement for Ms. Janet Taylor on the ICRC of the Rotterdam Convention.

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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

March 2001 - Present Project Manager
Pest Management Regulatory Agency,
Alternative Strategies and Regulatory Affairs Division

- Provide expert advice and guidance to senior management
- Represent the Agency on inter-departmental initiatives
- Support Canadian positions at international fora
- Develop regulatory policy and procedures
- Analyse impact of proposed regulations
- Develop communication strategies to promote regulation and policy to stakeholders and the public

1999-2001 Senior Compliance Officer
Pest Management Regulatory Agency,
Compliance, Laboratory Services and Regional Operations Division

- Directed inter-regional teams of enforcement officers
- Promoted and enforced compliance with the Pest Control Products Act
- Designed and implemented inspection/investigation programs
- Recommended appropriate enforcement responses to senior management
- Prepared written interpretations of the Pest Control Products Act

1997-1999 Senior Scientific Screening Officer
Pest Management Regulatory Agency,
Submission Management and Information Division

- Managed the activities of Screening and Registration staff
- Provided authoritative advice on the Pest Control Products Act and Regulations to industry
- Developed screening tools and supporting documentation
- Ensured applicant data adhered to Agency requirements and international protocols
- Assessed Cost Recovery fees for Pest Control Products

1995-1997 Fungicide Registration Officer
Pest Management Regulatory Agency,
Product Sustainability and Coordination Division

- Ensured compliance of product labelling with the Pest Control Products Act and Regulations
- Developed labelling standards to improve the safety and consistency of fumigant products

EDUCATION

1993 B.Sc. (Environmental Science)
Carleton University, Ottawa, Ontario

- Multi-disciplinary program of Environmental Biology, Chemistry and Law studies.

1991 B.Sc. (Biology)

Carleton University, Ottawa, Ontario

- Biochemistry and Microbial Analysis

Annex II

Draft decision INC-9/...: Confirmation of an expert designated for the Interim Chemical Review CommitteeThe 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 its decision INC-7/1, in which it decided to formally appoint 29 experts designated by Governments to act as members of the Interim Chemical Review Committee,

Noting the resignation of Mrs. Janet K. Taylor (Canada) from the Interim Chemical Review Committee,

1. Decides formally to appoint the following expert to act as a member of the Interim Chemical Review Committee from the North-American region:

Mr. Rob Ward (Canada)

2. Reaffirms the provisions of decision INC-6/2 as regards the duration and terms of service of the experts, and specifically that all experts shall serve for a period of three years from the date of decision INC-6/2, or until the first session of the Conference of the Parties, whichever shall occur first.
