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Subject: Questionnaire requesting information on exports, export notifications and information exchange-Year 2019

Dear Designated National Authority,

At its seventh meeting held in 2015, by decision RC-7/2, the Conference of the Parties to the Rotterdam Convention on the Prior Informed Consent Procedure for Certain Hazardous Chemicals and Pesticides in International Trade requested the Secretariat to facilitate the exchange of information and report to each meeting of the Conference of the Parties on the implementation of Articles 11 (paragraph 2), 12 and 14 of the Convention.

The Secretariat has developed a questionnaire to collect the information relevant to year 2019. It is available online on the Convention website at the last section of webpage "Call for information and follow-up to the ninth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Rotterdam Convention" at www.pic.int/tabid/8044/Default.aspx.

Designated National Authorities (DNAs) of Parties to the Convention are invited to collaborate with other DNAs, Official Contact Points (OCPs) and any other relevant stakeholders in order to provide a coordinated response to the questionnaire, and to respond to the online questionnaire with <u>information corresponding to the period from 1 January 2019 to 31 December 2019</u> by **31 December 2020**.

The responses to the questionnaire for the year 2016 received from Parties were reported to the Conference of the Parties at its ninth meeting through document UNEP/FAO/RC/COP.9/INF/8. If your country has submitted information for that year, you may wish to refer to the above document for such information to facilitate completing some relevant sections of the questionnaire for year 2019. The responses to the questionnaires for the years 2017 and 2018 are being processed for reporting at the next meeting of the Conference of the Parties. The responses to the Year 2019 questionnaire will be reported to the Conference of the Parties at a subsequent ordinary meeting.

Should you need further clarification in responding to this questionnaire, related to industrial chemicals or technical support on using the online questionnaire, please contact Mr. Alexander Mangwiro (alexander.mangwiro@brsmeas.org; Tel.: +41-22-917 8458, Fax: +41-22-917-8098). For questions on pesticides please contact Mr. Aleksandar Mihajlovski (aleksandar.mihajlovski@fao.org; Tel.: +39 06 5705 2801, Fax +39 06 5705 3224).

We look forward to receiving your submissions.

Yours sincerely,

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