

5. Synergies in preventing and combating illegal traffic and trade in hazardous chemicals and wastes

Decisions: BC-16/24, RC-11/11 and SC-11/23: Synergies in preventing and combating illegal traffic and trade in hazardous chemicals and wastes

Background:

In part I of decisions BC-16/24, RC-11/11 and SC-11/23, the conferences of the Parties to the Rotterdam and Stockholm conventions reiterated their encouragement to Parties to the Rotterdam and Stockholm conventions to voluntarily provide information about cases of international trade in hazardous chemicals occurring in contravention of the conventions, using the prescribed forms.

In part II of decisions BC-16/24, RC-11/11 and SC-11/23, the Conference of the Parties to the Basel Convention reminded Parties to the Basel Convention to report cases of illegal traffic to the Secretariat using the prescribed form for confirmed cases of illegal traffic or through table 9 of the format for national reporting.

In part III of decisions BC-16/24, RC-11/11 and SC-11/23, the conferences of the Parties to the Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm conventions invited Parties to the three conventions to provide best practices for preventing and combating illegal traffic and trade in hazardous chemicals and wastes covered by the conventions, including the texts of any measures that have been adopted by them for that purpose.

Follow-up:

	Calls for information	Respondents	Methods of submission	Deadlines for submission
(a)	Parties to the Rotterdam and Stockholm conventions are encouraged to voluntarily provide information about cases of international trade in hazardous chemicals occurring in contravention of the conventions	Parties to the Rotterdam and Stockholm conventions	Please submit information about cases of illegal traffic using the prescribed form ²	As appropriate
(b)	Parties to the Basel Convention are reminded to report cases of illegal traffic	Parties to the Basel Convention	Please submit information about cases of illegal traffic using the prescribed form ³ or table 9 of the format for national reporting	As appropriate
(c)	Parties are invited to provide best practices for preventing and combating illegal traffic and trade in hazardous chemicals and wastes covered by the Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm conventions and to voluntarily share information through the Secretariat on action taken to implement and enforce the trade control measures, as well as on challenges Parties may be facing	Parties to the three conventions	Please make submissions to the Secretariat via the contact person provided below	As appropriate

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² <http://www.brsmeas.org/Implementation/Illegaltrafficantrade/Formstoreportillegaltrade/tabid/8886/language/en-US/Default.aspx>.

³ <http://basel.int/Procedures/ReportingonIllegalTraffic/tabid/1544/Default.aspx>.