NV/020/2022

La Misión Permanente del Uruguay ante la Oficina de las Naciones Unidas y otras Organizaciones Internacionales con sede en Ginebra saluda muy atentamente a la Secretaría del Convenio de Minamata sobre el Mercurio y tiene el honor de informar la actualización del Punto Focal Nacional ante el Convenio.

En ese sentido, se informa que la Ing. Quím. Judith Torres, funcionaria de la Asesoría de Asuntos Internacionales y Cooperación del Ministerio de Ambiente, será el reemplazo del anterior Punto Focal de Uruguay, Sr. Alejandro Nario.

Asimismo, se remiten en adjunto el formulario completo para la designación del nuevo Punto Focal, así como la nota firmada por el Ministro de Ambiente Adrián Peña dirigida a la Secretaría Ejecutiva del Convenio de Minamata a tales efectos.

La Misión Permanente del Uruguay ante la Oficina de las Naciones Unidas y otras Organizaciones Internacionales con sede en Ginebra hace uso de la oportunidad para reiterar a la Secretaría del Convenio de Minamata sobre el Mercurio las seguridades de su más alta consideración.

Ginebra, 28 de enero de 2022

Secretaría del Convenio de Minamata sobre el Mercurio
Ginebra
The Executive Secretary
Secretariat of the Minamata Convention on Mercury
United Nations Environment Programme
Postal address: Avenue de la Paix 8-14, 1211 Geneva 10, Switzerland
E-mail: mea-minamatasecretariat@un.org

2022, 3rd of January

Subject: Designation of the National Focal Point to the Minamata Convention on Mercury for URUGUAY, Ministry of Environment

Dear Sir/Madam,

The Ministry of Environment of Uruguay hereby notifies the Secretariat of the Minamata Convention on Mercury that it has designated, in accordance with Article 17, paragraph 4 of the Minamata Convention on Mercury, Judith Torres designated as National Focal Point, Officer of the Cooperation and International Affairs Office to act as National Focal Point for the exchange of information under the Convention, including with regard to the consent of importing Parties under Article 3. Ms. Judith Torres will replace Alejandro Nario in all functions regarding article 17 paragraph 4.

You will find attached to the present letter the completed designation form pursuant to her nomination.

Yours faithfully,

[Signature]
Adrián Peña
Minister
Ministry of Environment of Uruguay

CC:
Permanent Mission to the UN of Uruguay in Geneva
Dirección de Medio Ambiente, MRRRE Uruguay, medio.ambiente@mrrre.gub.uy
The Minamata Convention on Mercury requires, under its article 17, paragraph 4, that each Party designates a National Focal Point for the exchange of information under the Convention, including with regard to the consent of importing Parties under Article 3.

Non-Parties may also designate such National Focal Points, in particular to facilitate the implementation of the Convention’s obligations on trade with non-Parties pursuant to Article 3.

States or regional economic integration organizations are invited to use the form below to designate their National Focal Point (see Annex I). This form should be completed and returned under cover of the official nomination letter from an entity duly authorized to communicate such information to the Secretariat of the Minamata Convention on Mercury, i.e. the Government official contact point to the UN Environment Programme, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs or the Permanent Mission to the UN in Geneva or to the UN Environment Programme (see model letter of nomination in Annex II) to the attention of:

The Executive Secretary
Secretariat of the Minamata Convention on Mercury
United Nations Environment Programme
Postal address: Avenue de la Paix 8-14, 1211 Geneva 10, Switzerland
E-mail: mea-minamatasecretariat@un.org

The information submitted to the Secretariat regarding the designated National Focal Point will be made available on the website of the Convention at www.mercuryconvention.org.

Kindly note that self-nominations will not be considered.

For further information on the designation process, please do not hesitate to contact the Secretariat, by e-mail at mea-minamatasecretariat@un.org.
ANNEX I - FORM FOR THE DESIGNATION OF THE NATIONAL FOCAL POINT UNDER
THE MINAMATA CONVENTION ON MERCURY

STATE/ORGANIZATION: .................................................. URUGUAY ............................................................

Please tick as appropriate:
☐ First-time nomination
☒ Replacement of current National Focal Point (s) (indicate name(s)): Alejandro Nario
Carvalho ..............................................................
☐ Additional nomination to current National Focal Point (s) (indicate name(s)): .............................................

NATIONAL FOCAL POINT:

| MR. ☐ | MS. ☒ | FIRST NAME: | Judith | LAST NAME: | Torres |

FUNCTIONAL TITLE: Officer

SECTION/DEPARTMENT: Cooperation and International Affairs Advisory Office

ORGANIZATION/INSTITUTION: Ministry of Environment

ADDRESS: Torre Ejecutiva Norte. Plaza Independencia 710, piso 6

POST CODE: 11100 CITY: Montevideo COUNTRY: ...Uruguay

TELEPHONE (include country and city code): +5982150 ext 3565 or 3429

Fax (include country and city code): .............................................

E-MAIL ADDRESS: judith.torres@ambiente.gub.uy

jmtorres1428@gmail.com

NOTE: Judith Torres is actual focal point with the purpose of information exchange and regarding article 3 and she will replace Alejandro Nario in all functions regarding article 17 paragraph 4.

THIS NOTIFICATION HAS BEEN SUBMITTED BY:

| MR. ☒ | MS. ☐ | FIRST NAME: | ADRIAN | LAST NAME: | PEÑA |

FUNCTIONAL TITLE: MINISTER

SECTION/DEPARTMENT: ..............................................................

ORGANIZATION/INSTITUTION: MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT

ADDRESS: Torre Ejecutiva Norte. Plaza Independencia 710, piso 6

POST CODE: 11100 CITY: Montevideo COUNTRY: Uruguay

TELEPHONE (include country and city code): +5982150 ext 3565 or 3429

Fax (include country and city code): .............................................

E-MAIL ADDRESS: asesoría.internacional@ambiente.gub.uy

secretaria.ministro@ambiente.gub.uy
Adrián Peña
Ministro de Ambiente