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26 August 2022

Subject: Development of a report on trade, supply and demand of mercury

Dear Madam/Sir,

In its decision MC-4/11 on the first effectiveness evaluation of the Minamata Convention on Mercury, the Conference of the Parties to the Minamata Convention (COP) agreed on a framework for the first effectiveness evaluation of the Convention. Among other sources of information to support the evaluation of effectiveness of the Convention, the secretariat was tasked with the development of a report on trade, supply and demand of mercury, including waste flows and stocks.

I am pleased to inform that the secretariat has begun the more detailed development of the report. The process foresees at least two occasions where parties and relevant organizations will be invited to review draft versions of the report on trade, supply and demand. In this regard, I would like to enquire if you wish our communication regarding feedback on the draft report to be addressed to you, in your capacity as National Focal Point for the Minamata Convention or as our contact point, or if you would prefer to indicate one or more experts on the subject matter, who could contribute to the development of the report on trade, supply and demand and whom the secretariat may contact directly for feedback on the draft report.

If you wish to avail yourself of the possibility to indicate one or more experts to contribute to the development of the report on trade, supply and demand, kindly email their contact details (name and email) to mea-minamatasecretariat@un.org as soon as possible but no later than **10 September 2022**.

I thank you for the continued support to the implementation of the Minamata Convention.

Yours sincerely,



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Executive Secretary

To: Minamata Convention National Focal Points

Cc: Permanent Missions to the United Nations Office and other international organizations in Geneva
Embassies and Permanent Missions to the United Nations Environment Programme in Nairobi
Observers admitted to the meetings of the Conference of the Parties to the Minamata Convention on Mercury