

RC-4/4: Inclusion of chrysotile asbestos in Annex III of the Convention

The Conference of the Parties,

Recalling decision RC-3/3 on chrysotile asbestos,

Taking into account that the Conference of the Parties is not yet able to reach consensus on whether to list chrysotile asbestos in Annex III of the Convention,

Aware that failure to reach consensus so far has created concerns in many Parties,

1. *Decides* that the agenda for the next ordinary meeting of the Conference of the Parties shall include further consideration of the draft decision to amend Annex III to the Rotterdam Convention to include the following chemical:

Chemical	Relevant CAS number(s)	Category
Chrysotile asbestos	12001-29-5	Industrial

2. *Encourages* Parties to make use of all available information on chrysotile asbestos to assist others, in particular developing countries and countries with economies in transition, to make informed decisions regarding the import and management of chrysotile asbestos and to inform other Parties of those decisions using the information exchange provisions laid down in Article 14 of the Convention.
