

## **RC-7/3: Operation of the Chemical Review Committee**

### *The Conference of the Parties*

1. *Takes note* of the information provided in the reports of the Chemical Review Committee on the work of its ninth and tenth meetings;<sup>1</sup>
2. *Appoints* the 17 designated experts to serve as members of the Committee;<sup>2</sup>
3. *Adopts* the list of 14 parties to nominate Committee members for terms of office commencing on 1 May 2016 set out in the annex to the present decision;
4. *Elects* Mr. Jürgen Helbig (Spain) as the Chair of the Committee;
5. *Welcomes* the guidance to assist parties to the Convention and the Chemical Review Committee in their work when a chemical under consideration is a persistent organic pollutant listed under the Stockholm Convention on Persistent Organic Pollutants;<sup>3</sup>
6. *Takes note* of the information provided by the Secretariat on the experience in the organization of the back-to-back meetings and the joint meeting of the Chemical Review Committee and the Persistent Organic Pollutants Review Committee;<sup>4</sup>
7. *Welcomes* the handbook of working procedures and policy guidance for the Chemical Review Committee;<sup>5</sup>
8. *Takes note* of the holding of an orientation workshop for new members and requests the Secretariat to continue, subject to the availability of resources, to organize further such workshops and to report on the results of that activity to the Conference of the Parties at its eighth meeting;
9. *Adopts* the amendment to section B.2 (6) of the process for drafting decision guidance documents and accompanying explanatory notes<sup>6</sup> as proposed in paragraph 26 of the note by the Secretariat.<sup>7</sup>

## **Annex to decision RC-7/3**

### **List of parties identified by the Conference of the Parties at its seventh meeting to nominate Chemical Review Committee members whose terms of office commence on 1 May 2016**

#### **African States**

Djibouti  
Madagascar  
Niger  
Sudan

#### **Asian-Pacific States**

India  
Sri Lanka  
Tonga  
Yemen

#### **Central and Eastern European States**

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<sup>1</sup> UNEP/FAO/RC/CRC.9/11 and UNEP/FAO/RC/CRC.10/10.

<sup>2</sup> See UNEP/FAO/RC/CRC.9/INF/4 and UNEP/FAO/RC/CRC.10/INF/3.

<sup>3</sup> See UNEP/FAO/RC/CRC.10/INF/14/Rev.1.

<sup>4</sup> See UNEP/FAO/RC/CRC.10/INF/16.

<sup>5</sup> [www.pic.int/crcguidance](http://www.pic.int/crcguidance).

<sup>6</sup> Decision RC-2/2, annex.

<sup>7</sup> UNEP/FAO/RC/COP.7/6.

Armenia

**Latin American and Caribbean States**

Argentina

Panama

**Western European and other States**

Germany

Norway

United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland