1. <u>Election of officers</u>

- As described in document UNEP/FAO/RC/COP.10/2 and documents referenced therein, the Conference of the Parties at its tenth meeting is expected to proceed with various elections, bearing in mind that, during its online segment, the Conference of the Parties extended the mandate of 17 members of the Chemical Review Committee and elected 15 members of the Compliance Committee, in accordance with decision RC-10/1 on election of members of subsidiary bodies under the Rotterdam Convention.
- 2. As agreed by the Bureau, which was mandated to facilitate, during the intersessional period preceding the 2021 meetings of the Conferences of the Parties, the process for nominating candidates for elections with the support of the Secretariat, Parties were initially invited to transmit, by 19 April 2021, the names of candidates for elections. Given that the elections of 17 members of the Chemical Review Committee (CRC) and of the 5 officers of the eleventh meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Rotterdam Convention was deferred to the face-to-face segment of the Conference of the Parties to be held in 2022, this deadline is extended to **1 March 2022**. This will also allow for further consultations on the matter to be facilitated by the respective regional focal points for election matters in advance of and during the regional preparatory meetings expected to be held in advance of the face-to-face segment of the tenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties.
- 3. The invitation for nomination of candidates in relation to the elections to take place during the face-to-face segment of the tenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties in 2022 is summarized below:

| Торіс | Document symbol | Respondents | Initial deadline | Extended/new deadline |
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| Invitation to transmit the names of 5 candidates for election as officers of the eleventh meeting of the Conference of the Parties | UNEP/FAO/RC/COP.10/2 and UNEP/FAO/RC/COP.10/I NF/3 | Parties | 19 April 2021 | 1 March 2022 |
| Invitation to transmit the names and required supporting documentation of 17 candidates for appointment as members of the CRC | UNEP/FAO/RC/COP.10/5 and UNEP/FAO/RC/COP.10/I NF/3 | State Parties | 19 April 2021 | 1 March 2022 |

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