



COMMUNICATION

NOTIFICATIONS OF IMPORT PROHIBITION AND REVISION OF NATIONAL DEFINITION OF HAZARDOUS WASTES PURSUANT TO ARTICLES 4(1) AND 3, RESPECTIVELY, OF THE BASEL CONVENTION ARGENTINA

Pursuant to articles 4(1) and 3 of the Basel Convention, the Argentine Republic transmitted communications dated 16 January 2008 and 6 February 2008, respectively, to the Secretariat advising of its import prohibition and revision of national definition of hazardous wastes.

By the communication of 16 January 2008, the Argentine Republic communicated its prohibition of the import into Argentina of substances or wastes containing polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs) and a copy of its 'Ley 25.670'. By the same communication, the Argentine Republic also transmitted to the Secretariat its revised national definition of hazardous wastes.

The Argentine Republic transmitted a further communication dated 6 February 2008, advising the Secretariat of its prohibition of the import into Argentina of hazardous or potentially hazardous wastes as well as radioactive wastes. The prohibition is based on 'Ley Nacional 24.051' and its 'Decreto Reglamentario No 181/92' and 'Decreto Reglamentario No 831/92'.

The full texts of the communications and their annexes have been placed on the web site of the Basel Convention (http://www.basel.int/natdef/frsetmain.php). Those Parties wishing to obtain a printed copy of these communications should contact the Secretariat

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