22 August 2008

Ref. 1.4 Strategic Plan COP 9/Dec.IX/3/NS

Dear Sir/Madam,

The Secretariat of the Basel Convention would like to refer to the decision on the Strategic Plan and a new strategic framework adopted by the Ninth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Basel Convention (COP 9), held from 23 to 27 June 2008 in Bali, Indonesia.

According to this decision, the Ninth meeting of the Conference of the Parties invited Parties, signatories, the regional and coordinating centres and others to submit further comments on the developments and obstacles in the implementation of the current Strategic Plan to the Secretariat by 30 November 2008.

The Secretariat would be very grateful if you could submit your comments to the Secretariat of the Basel Convention by e-mail to: Nelson.Sabogal@unep.ch or by fax: +41 22 797 34 54.

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Yours sincerely,

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Directors of the Basel Convention Regional and Coordinating Centres

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