

## COMMUNICATION

### REQUEST FOR PROVISION OF NATIONAL LEGISLATION

The Secretariat refers to the decision of the Conference of Parties at its ninth meeting, by which the Secretariat continues to maintain a collection of national legislation and other measures adopted by Parties to implement the Basel Convention on the Convention's website.

The decision of the Conference of Parties at the ninth meeting further encourages "Parties to continue to provide the Secretariat with the texts of national legislation and other measures adopted by them to implement and enforce the Basel Convention".

Accordingly, the Secretariat of the Basel Convention is collecting and making available updated and accurate information on texts of national legislation implementing the Basel Convention. For this purpose, the Secretariat is also updating at regular intervals its records on such documents received from Parties. To date, the Secretariat has published the national legislation of approximately 100 Parties on the Basel Convention website.  
(<http://www.basel.int/legalmatters/natleg/byparties/frsetmain.html>).

The Secretariat would be grateful if Parties would kindly transmit copies of all relevant implementing legislation, regulations and guidelines, if not previously transmitted to the Secretariat, preferably in electronic form if available, so as to have accurate and up-to-date records. Furthermore, if the original text is not in an official language of the United Nations, the Secretariat would greatly appreciate receipt of a translation into one of the official UN languages, if possible.

The Secretariat observes that the information on the website is a valuable source of information for Parties and other stakeholders.



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To: Focal Points to the Basel Convention

cc: Competent Authorities of the Basel Convention,  
Permanent Missions to the United Nations

