

Sultanate of Oman Ministry of Environment & Climate Affairs



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MS. Kathatina Kummer Piery Executive Secretary Secretariat of the Basel Convention Geneva, Switzerland SBC/UNEP

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Date 1/4/2009

After Compliments,

Subject: Our Comments on the 1.4 Strategic Plan COP 9/Dec.Ix/3/NS and Nomination of the Contact Person.

With reference to your letter dated 17/12/2008 regarding the abovementioned subject.

Kindly, please find attached herewith our comments on the strategic plan that you have asked us to submit.

Also, it gives me great pleasure to nominate Ms. Zuhaira Ali Dawood - Director of Planning and International Co-operation Department as a contact person for this Ministry to the Basel Convention.

I take this opportunity to wish you and your staff all the best.

Sincerely,



Zuhaira Ali Dawood Director of Planning and International Co-operation



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- 1. Develop a mechanism through which coordination will take place between the Parties to the Convention and other conventions so as to activate the principle of synergy between the conventions, especially in the areas of waste disposal of all kinds.
- 2. Create experts in the protocols of the Convention and contact points for any clarification by the States Parties.
- 3. Include capacity-building and more broadly training programs, particularly in the area of the collection of data on hazardous waste and the preparation of national reports on wastes.
- 4. Continue conducting studies on classification of types of hazardous waste due to the existence of different industries, which may result in generation of different wastes.
- 5. Create a mechanism to ensure, through which, that the final disposal of hazardous waste in the importing States was carried out properly.
- 6. Intensify awareness programs on hazardous wastes and their risks.
- 7. Create a mechanism to implement, through which, the guidelines of various wastes and awareness programs as well as to conduct intensive training on such wastes.
- 8. Support developing countries to implement the provisions of the Convention through support of the wastes' projects.
- 9. Raise awareness on the principle of re-use and develop a list of the best institutions that re-use in the world as well as study ways of re-use through the various manufacturing processes.