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Dear Ms. Peiry,

Re: Note by the Executive Secretary on the Review of the Operation of the Basel Convention Regional and Coordinating Centres

The subject at caption refers.

The Government of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago (GoRTT) commends the efforts of the Secretariat of the Basel Convention in undertaking a review of the operation of the Basel Convention regional and coordinating centres.

The GoRTT has reviewed the four documents outlined in your previous correspondence and would like to provide the following comments. The documents form chapters of the overall final document "Review of the Operation of the Basel Convention Regional and Coordinating Centres (BCRCCs), November 2009" and thus contain generalized information on the operation of all the BCRCCs.

In light of this, the Government of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago endorses the general elements of the report, but would like to include the following to Item 4 – "Set of indicators to measure performance and impediments in relation to the functions and impacts of the Basel Convention Regional and Coordinating Centres":

• Under the elements to measure performance, "Capacity building activities and projects implemented", one of the "Other possible indicators", should be a Literacy Survey done to assess if countries served by the BCRCCs are fully aware of their responsibilities.

The inconvenience caused by the late submission of this information is regretted.

Sincerely,

Permanent Secretary