
3a Implementation of Amendment (III/1)

All Regions/Countries, Parties of the Basel Convention

UN Region: Africa

Egypt

2007 The amendment to the Basel Convention (Decision III/1) has been implemented in Egypt. Ban Amendment is regulated and implemented in accordance to National Environment Law 4/1994
Article 32
"It is forbidden to import hazardous waste or to allow its introduction into or its passage through Egyptian territories. It is forbidden without a permit from the competent authority to allow the passage of ships carrying hazardous waste in territorial seas or in the exclusive maritime economic zone of the Arab Republic of Egypt.

Article 88

"Any person who violates the provisions of articles 29, 32, and 47 of the present Law shall be punished by imprisonment for a term of not less than five years and a fine of twenty thousand Egyptian Pounds to forty thousand Egyptian Pounds. Whoever violates the provisions of Article 32 shall be held to re-export the hazardous wastes subject of the crime at his own expense"

Egypt ratified the Ban Amendment in 27/01/2004

On 31 January 1995, the Government of Egypt informed the Secretary-General that its instrument of accession should have been accompanied by the following declarations:

First declaration: passage of ships carrying hazardous wastes through the Egyptian territorial sea:

Egypt, upon acceding to the Basel Convention on and, in accordance with article 26 of the Convention, declares that:

In accordance with the provisions of the Convention and the rules of international law regarding the sovereign right of the State over its territorial sea and its obligation to protect and preserve the marine environment, since the passage of foreign ships carrying hazardous or other wastes entails many risks which constitute a fundamental threat to human health and the environment; and

In conformity with Egypt's position on the passage of ships carrying inherently dangerous or noxious substances through its territorial sea (United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea, 1983), the Government of Egypt declares that:

1. Foreign ships carrying hazardous or other wastes will be required to obtain prior permission from the Egyptian authorities for passage through its territorial sea.
2. Prior notification must be given of the movement of any hazardous wastes through areas under its national jurisdiction, in accordance with article 2, paragraph 9, of the Convention.

Second declaration: imposition of a complete ban on the import of hazardous wastes: Egypt, upon acceding to the Basel Convention and In accordance with article 26 of the Convention, declares that:

In accordance with its sovereign rights and with article 4, paragraph 1(a), of the Convention, a complete ban is imposed on the import of all hazardous or other wastes and on their disposal on the territory of the Arab Republic of Egypt. This confirms Egypt's position that the transportation of such wastes constitutes a fundamental threat to the health of people, animals and plants and to the environment.

Gambia

2007 There is no information concerning the implementation of the amendment to the Basel Convention (Decision III/1) provided for Gambia.

Madagascar

2007 Madagascar is in a preparatory process of implementing the amendment to the Basel Convention (Decision III/1).

Mali

2007 The amendment to the Basel Convention (Decision III/1) has not been implemented in Mali.

Morocco

2007 The amendment to the Basel Convention (Decision III/1) has been implemented in Morocco.

Le Maroc a ratifié l'Amendement à la Convention et a intégré ses dispositions dans la loi 28-00 sur la gestion des déchets et leur élimination.

Mozambique

2007 The amendment to the Basel Convention (Decision III/1) has been implemented in Mozambique.

Nigeria

2007 Nigeria is in a preparatory process of implementing the amendment to the Basel Convention (Decision III/1).

A memo for implementation of amendment to the Basel Convention is being considered by the Federal Executive Council.

Rwanda

2007 Rwanda is in a preparatory process of implementing the amendment to the Basel Convention (Decision III/1).

The full information on the progress can be found in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

Senegal

2007 Senegal is in a preparatory process of implementing the amendment to the Basel Convention (Decision III/1).

South Africa

2007 The amendment to the Basel Convention (Decision III/1) has not been implemented in South Africa.

South Africa has not ratified Decision III/I of the Convention as such the provisions have not been implemented in the country. South Africa accepts waste for disposal from SADC countries where the exporting country is able to motivate that they do not have facilities to allow for the environmentally sound disposal of waste in their countries.

Tunisia

2007 The amendment to the Basel Convention (Decision III/1) has been implemented in Tunisia.

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Tunisia has ratified by law n°78 of 1999, on 2 August 1999, the Amendment to the Basel Convention (Decision III/1).

Uganda

2007 Uganda is in a preparatory process of implementing the amendment to the Basel Convention (Decision III/1).

Uganda is in the final/advanced preparatory process of implementing the amendment to the Basel Convention (Decision III/ 1).

Zambia

2007 The amendment to the Basel Convention (Decision III/1) has been implemented in Zambia.

The Environmental Protection and Pollution Control Act (EPPCA) No. 12 of 1990, amended 1999 prohibits the import of any type of hazardous waste.

UN Region: Asia and Pacific

Azerbaijan

2007 The amendment to the Basel Convention (Decision III/1) has not been implemented in Azerbaijan.

Bahrain

2007 The amendment to the Basel Convention (Decision III/1) has been implemented in Bahrain.

Cambodia

2007 The amendment to the Basel Convention (Decision III/1) has been implemented in Cambodia.

The amendment has not officially been ratified yet but the provisions of the amendment have been in practice and have been implemented in the national legislation.

China

2007 The amendment to the Basel Convention (Decision III/1) has been implemented in China. The amendment to the Basel Convention (Decision III/1) has been ratified by China.

The amendment has been approved by the 12th Meeting of the Standing Committee of the Ninth National People's Congress on October 31, 1999.

Cyprus

2007 The amendment to the Basel Convention (Decision III/1) has been implemented in Cyprus.
A Law ratifying the amendment of the Basel Convention has been passed on 14.4.2000 (No. 12(III)/2000).

Indonesia

2007 The amendment to the Basel Convention (Decision III/1) has been implemented in Indonesia.

However, the import of used lead acid batteries was allowed up to September 2002.

Iran (Islamic Republic of)

2007 The amendment to the Basel Convention (Decision III/1) has been implemented in Iran (Islamic Republic of).

Japan

2007 The amendment to the Basel Convention (Decision III/1) has not been implemented in Japan.

Kazakhstan

2007 The amendment to the Basel Convention (Decision III/1) has not been implemented in Kazakhstan.

Notice: According to the Ecological code of the Republic of Kazakhstan export of dangerous wastes to the states - parties of the Basel Convention on the control of transboundary movements of hazardous wastes and their disposal and to developing countries that within the framework of the their legislation have forbidden import of hazardous wastes or if there are bases to believe, that use of these wastes will not be carried out by ecologically proved way, and also to areas south of 60° South latitude.

Kuwait

2007 The amendment to the Basel Convention (Decision III/1) has been implemented in Kuwait.
Implemented.

Malaysia

2007 The amendment to the Basel Convention (Decision III/1) has been implemented in Malaysia.

Pakistan

2007 The amendment to the Basel Convention (Decision III/1) has not been implemented in Pakistan.

Philippines

2007 The amendment to the Basel Convention (Decision III/1) has not been implemented in Philippines.

The amendment has not been ratified by the Philippine Senate since it has economic impacts to local industry depending on using secondary material classified as hazardous waste under the Convention.

Qatar

2007 The amendment to the Basel Convention (Decision III/1) has been implemented in Qatar.

Singapore

2007 The amendment to the Basel Convention (Decision III/1) has not been implemented in Singapore.

Sri Lanka

2007 The amendment to the Basel Convention (Decision III/1) has been implemented in Sri Lanka.

Sri Lanka ratified the amendment to the Basel Convention (Decision III/1). A Cabinet decision has been taken to prohibit importation of List A waste from all countries (not restricting to Annex VII countries); and to keep the list B waste as the controlled list, to take decisions on case by case basis. Regulations have been prepared.

Thailand

2007 The amendment to the Basel Convention (Decision III/1) has not been implemented in Thailand.

United Arab Emirates

2007 The amendment to the Basel Convention (Decision III/1) has been implemented in United Arab Emirates.

Viet Nam

2007 Viet Nam is in a preparatory process of implementing the amendment to the Basel Convention (Decision III/1).

Vietnam has not formally ratified the Amendment to the Basel Convention (Decision III/1) but the Law of Environment Protection of Vietnam in fact prohibits any importation of hazardous wastes regardless of their sources or destinations.

UN Region: Western Europe and Others

Andorra

2007 The amendment to the Basel Convention (Decision III/1) has been implemented in Andorra.

Australia

2007 The amendment to the Basel Convention (Decision III/1) has not been implemented in Australia.

Austria

2007 The amendment to the Basel Convention (Decision III/1) has been implemented in Austria.

The ban is implemented via EU-Legislation (Shipment Regulation 1013/2006/EC (OJ L 190/1 12.07. 2006).

Austria ratified the two amendments to the Basel Convention (III/1 and IV/9) in 1999 (Fed. Law Gaz.III 2000/6). The amendments became effective October 26th 1999.

Belgium

2007 The amendment to the Basel Convention (Decision III/1) has been implemented in Belgium.

The Amendment is implemented by Council Regulation (EC) N° 1013/2006.

Canada

2007 The amendment to the Basel Convention (Decision III/1) has not been implemented in Canada.

Although Canada has not ratified the Basel ban amendment (Decision III/I), Canada defines a hazardous waste or a hazardous recyclable material to include “waste” that is prohibited by a country for import and is considered hazardous under their domestic legislation in accordance with the Basel Convention. Exports to non-parties are not permitted unless subject to an Article 11 agreement (for example, the Canada U.S.A.- Agreement on the Transboundary Movement of Hazardous Waste of 1986, amended in 1992 to incorporate “other wastes” (hereafter refer to in this document as the Canada - USA Agreement); and the OECD Council Decision C(2001)107/FINAL))

Denmark

2007 The amendment to the Basel Convention (Decision III/1) has been implemented in Denmark.

Finland

2007 The amendment to the Basel Convention (Decision III/1) has been implemented in Finland.

The Decision has been in force since 1 October 1995.

Germany

2007 The amendment to the Basel Convention (Decision III/1) has been implemented in Germany.

The export prohibition has been implemented through Article 16 of the old EC Waste Shipment Regulation (Article 36 of the new Waste Shipment Regulation from 12 July 2007). Germany has ratified Decision III/1 in 2002.

Greece

2007 The amendment to the Basel Convention (Decision III/1) has been implemented in Greece. As part of the Council Regulation EEC 259/93, as amended and implemented, which applied until 11-07-2007. From 12-07-2007, Regulation (EC) no 1013/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 14 June 2006 on shipments of waste, applies.

Ireland

2007 The amendment to the Basel Convention (Decision III/1) has been implemented in Ireland. Ireland has yet to formally ratify the Amendment to the Basel Convention (Decision III/1). However, as a member of the European Community (EC) Ireland is bound by Articles 36 & 36 of Council Regulation (EC) No. 1013/2006 on the supervision and control of shipments of waste within, into and out of the European Community (Up to 12/7/07, Articles 14 & 16 of Council Regulation (EEC) No. 259/93 applied).

Israel

2007 The amendment to the Basel Convention (Decision III/1) has been implemented in Israel.

The decision was not ratified but is being implemented in practice.

Italy

2007 Italy is in a preparatory process of implementing the amendment to the Basel Convention (Decision III/1).

Luxembourg

2007 The amendment to the Basel Convention (Decision III/1) has been implemented in Luxembourg.

Implementation of the Basel Convention by law of 9.12.1993. Implementation of the amendments by law of 29.06.1997.

Malta

2007 The amendment to the Basel Convention (Decision III/1) has been implemented in Malta. Malta has implemented legislative measures during the period under review to reduce the transboundary movement of hazardous waste in the Mediterranean through the implementation of the Ban amendment to the Basel Convention on the Control of Transboundary Movements of Hazardous Wastes and their Disposal, as well as that of Council Regulation (EEC) No. 259/93 of 1 February 1993 on the supervision and control of shipments of waste within, into, and out of the European Community until the 11 July 2007, and that of Regulation (EC) No. 1013/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 14 June 2006 on shipments of waste as from the 12 July 2007. This leads to the systematic refusal of permits for all transboundary movements of hazardous wastes that are destined for operation according to Annexes IV A (disposal) and Annex IV B (recovery) of the Basel Convention to States not listed in Annex VII of the Basel Convention on the Control of Transboundary Movements of Hazardous Wastes and their Disposal.

Monaco

2007 The amendment to the Basel Convention (Decision III/1) has been implemented in Monaco.

In practice the BAN is in force for waste exported out from Monaco. Monaco and France have a Custom Union Agreement and Monaco is legally considered as a part of the custom territory of the EU. All the French and EU regulations apply to the transboundary movements of goods of Monaco, and through force of circumstances, to waste. The EU policy has already implemented the Ban, and Monaco consequently.

Netherlands

2007 The amendment to the Basel Convention (Decision III/1) has been implemented in Netherlands.

By amendment of the European Shipment Regulation, the export ban is implemented in all EU-countries.

Norway

2007 The amendment to the Basel Convention (Decision III/1) has been implemented in Norway.

Portugal

2007 The amendment to the Basel Convention (Decision III/1) has been implemented in Portugal.

Council Regulation (EC) No 120/97 amending Regulation (EEC) No 259/93 implements the amendment to the Basel Convention (Decision III/1) and subsequently by Regulation (EC) No 1013/2006.

Portugal ratified Decision III/1 on 30 November 2000 (notice n° 229/99, from 7 December of 1999).

Spain

2007 The amendment to the Basel Convention (Decision III/1) has been implemented in Spain. The amendment to the Basel Convention (Decision III/1) has been implemented in Spain through the Act of Approval of 07.08.97. Its actual implementation had already started on 27.01.97 through Council regulation (EEC) No. 120/97 (which was amended by Council regulation (EEC) No. 259/93), in pursuance of decisions II/2 and III/1 of the Basel Convention.

Notice.- As of 12 July 2007, REGULATION (EC) No 1013/2006 OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL, of 14 June 2006, ON SHIPMENTS OF WASTE, applies in Spain and Council Regulation 259/93 has been repealed.

Sweden

2007 The amendment to the Basel Convention (Decision III/1) has been implemented in Sweden.

Turkey

2007 The amendment to the Basel Convention (Decision III/1) has been implemented in Turkey.

Turkey supports and implements the amendment to the Basel Convention (Decision III/1). Turkey ratified the Amendment to Basel Convention. And it was published in the official paper of 28 July 2003- No 25182.

United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland

2007 The amendment to the Basel Convention (Decision III/1) has been implemented in United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.

The updated WSR (1013/2006) implements the amendment to the Basel Convention (Decision III/1) in the European Community.

UN Region: Central and Eastern Europe

Albania

2007 The amendment to the Basel Convention (Decision III/1) has been implemented in Albania.

The amendment of the Basel Convention was accessed by Law no. 9299 date 28/10/2004.

Belarus

2007 The amendment to the Basel Convention (Decision III/1) has not been implemented in Belarus.

Bosnia & Herzegovina

2007 The amendment to the Basel Convention (Decision III/1) has not been implemented in Bosnia & Herzegovina.

Bulgaria

2007 There is no information concerning the implementation of the amendment to the Basel Convention (Decision III/1) provided for Bulgaria.

Bulgaria has ratified the "Ban amendment" by law (published in State Gazette No. 113/28.12.1999).

Bulgaria is implementing the ban according to EU-Legislation - Shipment Regulation 1013/2006/EC (OJ L 190/1 12.07. 2006).

Croatia

2007 The amendment to the Basel Convention (Decision III/1) has been implemented in Croatia.

In practice the amendment to the Basel Convention (decision III/I) has been implemented by order of Article 38/2 of the Law on waste, Official Gazette, No. 151/03 where by it is prohibited to import hazardous wastes.

Czech Republic

2007 The amendment to the Basel Convention (Decision III/1) has been implemented in Czech Republic.

Council Regulation (EEC) No 259/93 on the supervision and control of shipments of waste within, into and out of the European Community, as amended (applicable until 11 July 2007). Regulation (EC) No 1013/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 14 July 2006 on shipments of waste (applicable from 12 July 2007).

Estonia

2007 The amendment to the Basel Convention (Decision III/1) has been implemented in Estonia.

Georgia

2007 The amendment to the Basel Convention (Decision III/1) has not been implemented in Georgia.

Hungary

2007 The amendment to the Basel Convention (Decision III/1) has been implemented in Hungary.

Latvia

2007 The amendment to the Basel Convention (Decision III/1) has been implemented in Latvia.

Lithuania

2007 The amendment to the Basel Convention (Decision III/1) has been implemented in Lithuania.

The Law No. IX-1739 On the Ratification of Decision III/1 (Amendment to the Basel Convention) of the Conference of the Parties to the 1989 Basel Convention on the Control of Transboundary Movements of Hazardous Waste and their Disposal adopted on 18 September 2003.

Also, the Council Decision 97/640/EC of 22 December 1997 on the approval, on behalf of the Community, of the amendment to the Convention on Control of transboundary movements of hazardous waste and their disposal (Basel Convention), as laid down in Decision III/1 of the Conference of the Parties is directly applied in Lithuania.

Montenegro

2007 The amendment to the Basel Convention (Decision III/1) has been implemented in Montenegro.

In addition to wastes listed in the List of hazardous wastes, the wastes in the List of non-hazardous wastes (not exhibiting hazardous characteristics) are subject to transboundary movement permission and control. List of non-hazardous wastes consists of 201 wastes (waste streams and/or constituents) mainly covering Annex IX wastes of the Basel Convention and wastes from EU Green List with a few additions which are listed below:

1. National waste code: W265-2-00000-00000 - Residual cooking oils not exhibiting hazardous characteristics, and could be used for purposes other than human and animal consumption;
 2. National waste code: W276-00000-000 - Packaging material imported in big quantities; and
 3. National waste code: W277-00000-A/B - All other wastes included in actual Lists A and B of the Basel Convention, which are not specified on the other place.
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Poland

2007 The amendment to the Basel Convention (Decision III/1) has been implemented in Poland.

Poland ratified the amendment.

The Act of 5 July 2002 on Ratification of Amendment to Basel Convention about control of transboundary movement and disposal of hazardous waste (O.J. No 135, Item 1142) came into force in September 2002. The acceptance was deposited with the Depository on 29 January 2003.

Republic of Moldova

2007 Republic of Moldova is in a preparatory process of implementing the amendment to the Basel Convention (Decision III/1).

Romania

2007 The amendment to the Basel Convention (Decision III/1) has been implemented in Romania.

Romania ratified the Amendment and the Annexes VIII and IX of the Basel Convention through the Law 265/2002.

Serbia

2007 The amendment to the Basel Convention (Decision III/1) has been implemented in Serbia. Republic of Serbia has ratified the amendment to the Basel Convention (Decision III/1) as integral part of the Basel Convention (ratification instruments 22.11.2002).

Slovakia

2007 The amendment to the Basel Convention (Decision III/1) has been implemented in Slovakia.

Slovenia

2007 The amendment to the Basel Convention (Decision III/1) has been implemented in Slovenia.
The ban has been implemented via EU Regulation (EC) 1013/2006. Slovenia ratified Decision III/1 in 2004.

Ukraine

2007 Ukraine is in a preparatory process of implementing the amendment to the Basel Convention (Decision III/1).

UN Region: Latin America and the Caribbean

Argentina

2007 The amendment to the Basel Convention (Decision III/1) has not been implemented in Argentina.

Barbados

2007 The amendment to the Basel Convention (Decision III/1) has not been implemented in Barbados.

Belize

2007 Belize is in a preparatory process of implementing the amendment to the Basel Convention (Decision III/1).

Bolivia

2007 Bolivia is in a preparatory process of implementing the amendment to the Basel Convention (Decision III/1).
Bolivia ya entrego el instrumento de la enmienda al convenio de Basilea en Nueva York.

Brazil

2007 The amendment to the Basel Convention (Decision III/1) has been implemented in Brazil.
The amendment to the Basel Convention (Decision III/1) has been implemented domestically, but it has not been ratified.

Colombia

2007 The amendment to the Basel Convention (Decision III/1) has not been implemented in Colombia.

Costa Rica

2007 The amendment to the Basel Convention (Decision III/1) has been implemented in Costa Rica.

Cuba

2007 The amendment to the Basel Convention (Decision III/1) has not been implemented in Cuba.

Dominican Republic

2007 The amendment to the Basel Convention (Decision III/1) has not been implemented in Dominican Republic.

Ecuador

2007 The amendment to the Basel Convention (Decision III/1) has been implemented in Ecuador.
It was implemented in 1998.

Guatemala

2007 The amendment to the Basel Convention (Decision III/1) has not been implemented in Guatemala.

Guyana

2007 The amendment to the Basel Convention (Decision III/1) has not been implemented in Guyana.

Honduras

2007 The amendment to the Basel Convention (Decision III/1) has been implemented in Honduras.
The amendment (III/1) of the Basel Convention hasn't been ratified in Honduras, but the competent authority of the Basel Convention in Honduras applies the decision.

Jamaica

2007 The amendment to the Basel Convention (Decision III/1) has been implemented in Jamaica.
Under the Natural Resources (Hazardous Waste)(Control of Transboundary Movement), importation of hazardous wastes is prohibited.

Mexico

2007 The amendment to the Basel Convention (Decision III/1) has been implemented in Mexico.
Transboundary movements of hazardous wastes have not been carried out to Annex VII countries of the Basel Convention, even though a legal restriction does not exist on this matter in Mexico (Mexico has not ratified the amendment).

Panama

2007 The amendment to the Basel Convention (Decision III/1) has not been implemented in Panama.

Saint Lucia

2007 The amendment to the Basel Convention (Decision III/1) has been implemented in Saint Lucia.

Trinidad and Tobago

2007 The amendment to the Basel Convention (Decision III/1) has been implemented in Trinidad and Tobago.

Uruguay

2007 The amendment to the Basel Convention (Decision III/1) has been implemented in Uruguay.

Law n° 17.220 de 11 of November 1999. Law about Transboundary Movements of Hazardous Wastes and its modification by article 367 of Law n° 17. of 19th December 2005.

The law establishes that it is forbidden for any hazardous waste to enter the country.

Venezuela

2007 The amendment to the Basel Convention (Decision III/1) has not been implemented in Venezuela.
