

CC-11/6: Submission regarding Guinea-Bissau

The Committee,

Recalling the submission by the Secretariat to the Committee regarding Guinea-Bissau concerning possible difficulties faced by this party to comply with its reporting obligation under paragraph 3 of Article 13 of the Convention (CHW/CC/9c/2010/4),

Recalling also decisions 8/5, 9/5, 10/5 and 10/5.Add.1,

Without prejudice to future decisions by the Committee related to this or other specific submissions,

The Committee,

1. *Welcomes* the participation by Guinea-Bissau in a workshop on national reporting organized by the Secretariat in cooperation with the Basel Convention Regional Centre for French-speaking countries in Africa in July 2014;
2. *Regrets* the lack of transmission by Guinea-Bissau of the Revised Questionnaire on “Transmission of Information” (in accordance with Articles 13 & 16 of the Basel Convention) - National Report for 2012;
3. *Welcomes* the progress towards the signature by Guinea-Bissau and the Secretariat of an agreement pertaining to the implementation of the compliance action plan of Guinea-Bissau with the support of resources from the implementation fund and *invites* prompt signature of the agreement;
4. *Expresses* its appreciation for the cooperation of Guinea-Bissau with the Committee during its eleventh meeting and for its continued commitment to ensure the implementation of its obligations under the Basel Convention, including through the implementation of its compliance action plan;
5. *Welcomes* the willingness of Guinea-Bissau to submit its national reports for 2012 and 2013 by the end of 2014;
6. *Requests* the Secretariat to communicate this decision to the Basel Convention Regional Centre for French-speaking countries in Africa;
7. *Requests* also the Secretariat to continue its communications with and support to Guinea-Bissau and to report to the Committee as appropriate;
8. *Decides* to keep this matter under review.