

CC-14/15/Add.1: Submission regarding Nauru

The Committee,

Recalling the submission by the Secretariat to the Committee regarding Nauru 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/2019/10),

Recalling also decision CC-14/15,

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

1. *Regrets* the lack of participation of Nauru during the fourteenth meeting of the Committee;¹
2. *Welcomes* the transmission by Nauru of information on the difficulties faced by this Party in fulfilling its reporting obligation under the Basel Convention and on its project under the Special Programme to support institutional strengthening at the national level for implementation of the Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm Conventions, the Minamata Convention, and the Strategic Approach to International Chemicals Management, as a way to improve its implementation of the Basel Convention, including its obligation to transmit national reports pursuant to Article 13 paragraph 3 of the Convention;²
3. *Notes* that Nauru, a Party since 2002, remains in the situation of not having transmitted a national report since 2005 as required under Article 13 paragraph 3 of the Basel Convention;
4. *Reiterates* its invitation to Nauru to communicate with the Committee, through the Secretariat, including confirmation by Nauru that the above mentioned project under the Special Programme is expected to resolve its difficulties in transmitting national reports complete and on time;
5. *Acknowledges* that Nauru is unable to comply with its reporting obligation under the Convention, and expresses its concern about this situation;
6. *Declares* its commitment to assist Nauru in addressing the difficulties that it experiences in complying with its reporting obligation;
7. *Encourages* Nauru to participate in training activities on national reporting in advance of the fifteenth meeting of the Committee;
8. *Requests* the Secretariat to communicate this decision to Nauru, to the Pacific Regional Centre for Training and Technology Transfer for the Joint Implementation of the Basel and Waigani Conventions in the South Pacific region, to the Special Programme to support institutional strengthening at the national level for implementation of the Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm Conventions, the Minamata Convention, and the Strategic Approach to International Chemicals Management, and to the United Nations Resident Coordinator;
9. *Requests* also the Secretariat to continue its communications with and support to Nauru and to report to the Committee as appropriate;
10. *Decides* to keep the matter relevant to the submission CHW/CC/9c/2019/10 under review.

¹ Online, 15-18 November 2021.

² UNEP/CHW/CC.14/INF/21.