

BC-16/15: Providing further legal clarity

The Conference of the Parties

1. *Welcomes* the progress made by the expert working group on the review of Annexes I, III and IV in the review of Annexes I and III¹ and takes note of the draft recommendations and findings developed by the group;²

2. *Requests* the expert working group:

(a) To consider the proposals by the European Union to amend Annex IV and certain entries in Annexes II and IX to the Basel Convention on the Control of Transboundary Movements of Hazardous Wastes and Their Disposal³ and the recommendations and findings of the expert working group,⁴ taking into account decision BC-15/19, the discussions at the fifteenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties, the discussions at the thirteenth meeting of the Open-ended Working Group and the discussions at the sixteenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties,⁵ and develop revised amendment proposals on Annex IV for consideration by the Open-ended Working Group at its fourteenth meeting;

(b) To continue to develop draft recommendations on the review of Annexes I and III, taking into account the discussions at the thirteenth meeting of the Open-ended Working Group, the discussions at the sixteenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties and the written general comments submitted at that meeting,⁶ for consideration by the Open-ended Working Group at its fourteenth meeting;

3. *Decides* to consider at its seventeenth meeting the revised amendment proposals for Annex IV and the draft recommendations on the review of Annexes I and III, taking into account the outcome of the fourteenth meeting of the Open-ended Working Group and any further developments from the expert working group after the fourteenth meeting of the Open-ended Working Group.

¹ UNEP/CHW/OEWG.13/8.

² UNEP/CHW.16/INF/27, annexes.

³ UNEP/CHW.15/13/Add.1.

⁴ UNEP/CHW.16/INF/26, annexes.

⁵ UNEP/CHW.16/INF/26/Rev.1, annex II.

⁶ UNEP/CHW.16/INF/27/Rev.1, annex III.