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Dear Mrs. Wingfield,

Canada is pleased to submit its views on the draft guidance to assist Parties in developing efficient strategies for achieving the prevention and minimization of the generation of hazardous and other waste and their disposal.

Canadas' views are as follow:

- Information on strategies for waste prevention and minimization are generally good but the emphasis of the document is largely on household waste, including food waste, construction and demolition waste, biodegradable waste and packaging waste. Given the mandate provided to the group from its latest work programme and the scope of the Convention, we feel that guidance should be added to cover the prevention and minimization of hazardous wastes, in particular key hazardous waste streams (e.g. batteries, used oils, etc.).
- A better distinction could also be made between strategies aiming at the minimization of hazardous waste and other waste versus the ones addressing prevention. Another distinction should be made for strategies aimed at the prevention and minimization of the generation of hazardous and other waste versus their disposal.
- Our proposal will change significantly the scope of the document and its organization may need to reflect the new scope.
- Consistent language should be used when referring to strategies versus programs. We would suggest strategies to be consistent with the title of the document.

We hope these comments will be useful.

Best regards

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