Decision II/23

Cooperation with United Nations bodies, specialized agencies and regional systems and organizations

The Conference,

Recalling decision I/8 of the First Meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Basel Convention requesting the Secretariat to continue its cooperation with all United Nations bodies, specialized agencies and regional systems and organizations, and other appropriate organizations in order to achieve the objectives of the Basel Convention,

Further recalling that the Parties at their first meeting agreed that the Secretariat of the Basel Convention should cooperate specially with the Customs Cooperation Council, and possibly IMO and other competent organizations in order to find means to achieve effective control at borders for transboundary movements of wastes (see para. 27 of the report of the First Meeting of the Parties to the Basel Convention - UNEP/CHW.1/24),

Having considered the report by the Secretariat on the implementation of decision I/8 contained in document UNEP/CHW.2/21,

- 1. <u>Requests</u> the Secretariat to continue its cooperation with the United Nations bodies, specialized agencies and regional systems and organizations and other international and regional organizations in the pursuance of the fulfilment of the obligations and achievement of the objectives of the Basel Convention;
- 2. <u>Further requests</u> the Secretariat to cooperate specifically with the Customs Co-operation Council and other relevant organizations in order to examine the possibility and practicability of including separate headings or subheadings for hazardous wastes in the Harmonized System of the Customs Co-operation Council in order to enhance border control of these wastes.