

VII/35. Transmission of information, including implementation of decision II/12

The Conference of the Parties,

Recalling its decisions VI/27 and VI/28,

Noting the compilation documents and country fact sheets prepared by the Secretariat based on the information reported by Parties for the years 2000 and 2001 in accordance with articles 13 and 16 of the Convention,

Further noting the consolidated report prepared by the Secretariat on the implementation of decisions II/12 and III/1 as contained in the country fact sheets published in 2004,

Acknowledging the efforts made by Parties to report for the years 2000 and 2001,

Also noting with appreciation the progress made by the Finnish Environment Institute in the development of the reporting database,

Stressing the importance of reporting to the Secretariat correct, complete and comparable data on the generation and transboundary movement of hazardous wastes and other wastes,

Recognizing the importance of developing indicators on hazardous wastes and other wastes taking into account the different social and economic conditions of Parties,

1. *Urges* Parties that have not yet done so to report on articles 13 and 16 for the calendar year 2002 and for previous years, as soon as possible, using the revised questionnaire that was adopted by the Conference of the Parties at its sixth meeting, bearing in mind that, in accordance with the provisions of article 13, paragraph 3, Parties are requested to transmit, before the end of each calendar year, a report on the previous calendar year;

2. *Invites* Parties to provide such information to the Secretariat for the calendar year 2003 before the end of the calendar year 2004;

3. *Encourages* Parties to continue to report on their implementation of decision II/12 in their report under article 13 of the Convention;

4. *Requests* the Secretariat to prepare compilation documents and country fact sheets for the years 2002 and 2003 and to make such information available on a regular basis to the Parties and non-Parties;

5. *Also requests* the Secretariat to prepare a further consolidated report of the implementation of decision II/12 and to report thereon to the Conference of the Parties at its eighth meeting;

6. *Further requests* the Secretariat to continue to provide training to developing countries and other countries that are in need of assistance to meet their reporting obligations by organizing workshops through the Basel Convention regional centres or by other appropriate means;

7. *Requests* the Secretariat to initiate the preparatory work that will be necessary to make the reporting database available on its web site;

8. *Requests* the Parties to fill in any data gaps which may exist in their previously reported datasets on generation and transboundary movement of hazardous wastes and other wastes for the year 1999 and onwards, to facilitate the development of indicators;

9. *Requests* the Secretariat to submit a progress report on the initiation of the work of developing a set of indicators to the Open-ended Working Group at its fourth session, in 2005;

10. *Invites* Parties and others to assist the Secretariat in developing such indicators.