IV/18. Hazardous waste minimization

The Conference

- 1. (a) <u>Invites</u> Parties to cooperate in the minimization of the generation of hazardous wastes, in particular through the use of cleaner production methods or technologies;
- (b) <u>Further invites</u> Parties that are currently using cleaner production methods or technologies in their industrial processes and product design, to facilitate and cooperate in the transfer of these methods or technologies to other Parties;
- (c) <u>Also invites</u> Parties to promote and support such activities within the framework of the establishment and operation of the regional or subregional centres for training and technology transfer regarding the management of hazardous wastes and other wastes and the minimization of their generation;
 - 2. <u>Encourages</u> Parties to work closely with industries in achieving minimization of hazardous wastes;
- 3. <u>Extends</u> the mandate of the Technical Working Group to pursue its work on the selection of hazardous waste streams susceptible to cleaner production approaches;
- 4. <u>Requests</u> the Secretariat of the Basel Convention to cooperate with the United Nations Environment Programme Industry and Environment Centre as well as with the Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development on this matter;

Further requests the Secretariat to report on progress to the Conference of the Parties at its fifth

meeting, through the Open-ended Ad Hoc Committee as appropriate.