(9) <u>Request on official contact points and national focal points</u>

Decision: SC-6/26: Official communications

Background:

Parties and non-party States are invited to nominate to the Secretariat an official contact point for the performance of administrative functions and all formal communications under the Convention, pursuant to decision SC-2/16 of the second meeting of the Conference of the Parties of the Stockholm Convention.

In accordance with Article 9 of the Convention, each party shall designate a national focal point for the exchange of information as specified under. Non-party States may also designate such national focal points.

Requests:

- Parties are urged to nominate official contact points and national focal points, if they have not already done so, using the revised form, as well as to confirm and provide the Secretariat with updated contact details for existing official contact points and national focal points; (request a)
- States not party to the Convention are invited to designate official contact points and national focal points, if they have not already done so, using the revised form. (request b)

Respondents:

- Parties;
- States not party to the Convention.

Method of submission:

• Please submit any nominations or updates to the Secretariat using the revised form available on the Stockholm Convention website at: <u>http://chm.pops.int/Procedures/OfficialContactPoint/tabid/3278/Default.aspx</u> and <u>http://chm.pops.int/Procedures/NationalFocalPoint/tabid/3279/Default.aspx</u>.

Deadline for submissions:

• For requests a and b: None specified in the decision; please transmit designations and/ or updated contact details **as soon as possible** so as to ensure effective transmission of information on matters relating to the Convention.

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