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**Matters for consideration or action by the
Conference of the Parties: implementation plans**

**Implementation plans transmitted to the Conference
of the Parties****

Note by the Secretariat

1. Paragraph 1 (a) of Article 7 of the Stockholm Convention requires each Party to “[d]evelop and endeavour to implement a plan for the implementation of its obligations under [the] Convention.” Paragraph 1 (b) of the Article states that each Party shall “[t]ransmit its implementation plan to the Conference of the Parties within two years of the date on which [the] Convention enters into force for it”.

2. In accordance with Article 26, paragraph 1 of the Stockholm Convention, the Convention entered into force on 17 May 2004, the ninetieth day after the deposit of the fiftieth instrument of ratification, acceptance, approval or accession. Therefore, the deadline for the first fifty Parties to transmit their implementation plans was 17 May 2006. For each other Party to the Convention, the deadline for such transmissions will be the date two years after the Convention entered into force for it.

3. As of 31 December 2006, the following 40 Parties had transmitted their implementation plans: Armenia, Australia, Belarus, Bolivia, Bulgaria, Burundi, Canada, Chad, Chile, Côte d’Ivoire, Czech Republic, Denmark, Ecuador, Egypt, Fiji, Finland, Germany, Japan, Jordan, Latvia, Lebanon, Mali, Mauritius, Monaco, Morocco, Netherlands, New Zealand, Nicaragua, Niue, Norway, Philippines, Republic of Moldova, Romania, Slovakia, Sweden, Switzerland, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Togo, United Republic of Tanzania and Uruguay. Electronic versions of the implementation plans are available on the Convention’s official website: www.pops.int.

* UNEP/POPS/COP.3/1.

** Stockholm Convention, Article 7.

4. A table indicating the deadline by which each Party to the Convention is to transmit its implementation plan pursuant to Article 7 of the Convention and the dates on which plans were received by the Secretariat is contained in the annex to the present note.

Possible action by the Conference of the Parties

5. The Conference may wish:

(a) To take note of the implementations plans transmitted pursuant to Article 7 by the Parties listed in paragraph 3 above;

(b) To take note of the deadlines for transmission of the implementation plans for each Party listed in the annex to the present note;

(c) To remind those Parties which have not yet transmitted their implementation plans, the deadline for which has passed, to do so as soon as possible;

(d) To request the entity or entities entrusted with the operations of the financial mechanism of the Convention, including the Global Environment Facility, when implementing the guidance to the financial mechanism as adopted by decision SC-1/9, to take into account the priorities identified by Parties in their implementation plans as transmitted to the Conference of the Parties.

Annex

Deadlines for the transmission of implementation plans pursuant to Article 7 of the Stockholm Convention and date of receipt of transmissions by the Secretariat as of 31 December 2006

Party	Deadline for transmission of implementation plan	Date of receipt of implementation plan by the Secretariat
Albania	2 January 2007	
Algeria	21 September 2008	
Angola	21 January 2009	
Antigua and Barbuda	17 May 2006	
Argentina	25 April 2007	
Armenia	17 May 2006	29 April 2006
Australia	18 August 2006	10 August 2006
Austria	17 May 2006	
Azerbaijan	17 May 2006	
Bahamas	1 January 2008	
Bahrain	1 May 2008	
Barbados	5 September 2006	
Belarus	17 May 2006	17 January 2007
Belgium	23 August 2008	
Benin	17 May 2006	
Bolivia	17 May 2006	19 September 2005
Botswana	17 May 2006	
Brazil	14 September 2006	
Bulgaria	20 March 2007	27 September 2006
Burkina Faso	31 March 2007	
Burundi	31 October 2007	28 March 2006
Cambodia	23 November 2008	
Canada	17 May 2006	17 May 2006
Cape Verde	30 May 2008	
Chad	8 June 2006	28 April 2006
Chile	25 April 2007	30 May 2006
China	11 November 2006	
Cook Islands	27 September 2006	
Côte d'Ivoire	17 May 2006	24 May 2006
Cyprus	5 June 2007	
Czech Republic	17 May 2006	8 May 2006
Democratic People's Republic of Korea	17 May 2006	
Democratic Republic of the Congo	21 June 2007	
Denmark	17 May 2006	18 May 2006
Djibouti	9 June 2006	
Dominica	17 May 2006	
Ecuador	5 September 2006	5 September 2006
Egypt	17 May 2006	16 March 2006
Eritrea	8 June 2007	

Party	Deadline for transmission of implementation plan	Date of receipt of implementation plan by the Secretariat
Ethiopia	17 May 2006	
European Community	14 February 2007	
Fiji	17 May 2006	21 June 2006
Finland	17 May 2006	17 May 2006
France	17 May 2006	
Gambia	27 July 2008	
Georgia	9 January 2009	
Germany	17 May 2006	1 May 2006
Ghana	17 May 2006	
Greece	1 August 2008	
Honduras	21 August 2007	
Iceland	17 May 2006	
India	12 April 2008	
Iran (Islamic Republic of)	7 May 2008	
Japan	17 May 2006	13 March 2006
Jordan	5 February 2007	26 December 2006
Kenya	23 December 2006	
Kiribati	5 December 2006	
Kuwait	10 September 2008	
Kyrgyzstan	12 March 2009	
Lao People's Democratic Republic	26 September 2008	
Latvia	26 January 2007	7 June 2005
Lebanon	17 May 2006	17 May 2006
Lesotho	17 May 2006	
Liberia	17 May 2006	
Libyan Arab Jamahiriya	12 September 2007	
Liechtenstein	3 March 2007	
Lithuania	5 March 2008	
Luxembourg	17 May 2006	
Madagascar	16 February 2008	
Maldives	15 January 2009	
Mali	17 May 2006	9 August 2006
Marshall Islands	17 May 2006	
Mauritania	20 October 2007	
Mauritius	11 October 2006	11 October 2006
Mexico	17 May 2006	
Micronesia (Federated States of)	13 October 2007	
Monaco	18 January 2007	11 December 2006
Mongolia	29 July 2006	
Morocco	13 September 2006	2 May 2006
Mozambique	29 January 2008	
Myanmar	18 July 2006	

Party	Deadline for transmission of implementation plan	Date of receipt of implementation plan by the Secretariat
Namibia	22 September 2007	
Nauru	17 May 2006	
Netherlands	17 May 2006	30 May 2006
New Zealand	23 December 2006	19 December 2006
Nicaragua	1 March 2008	29 April 2006
Niger	11 July 2008	
Nigeria	22 August 2006	
Niue	1 December 2007	25 January 2005
Norway	17 May 2006	22 June 2006
Oman	19 April 2007	
Panama	17 May 2006	
Papua New Guinea	17 May 2006	
Paraguay	30 June 2006	
Peru	13 December 2007	
Philippines	27 May 2006	19 June 2006
Portugal	13 October 2006	
Qatar	10 March 2007	
Republic of Korea	25 April 2009	
Republic of Moldova	6 July 2006	25 August 2005
Romania	26 January 2007	12 April 2006
Rwanda	17 May 2006	
Saint Kitts and Nevis	19 August 2006	
Saint Lucia	17 May 2006	
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	14 December 2007	
Samoa	17 May 2006	
São Tomé and Príncipe	11 July 2008	
Senegal	17 May 2006	
Sierra Leone	17 May 2006	
Singapore	22 August 2007	
Slovakia	17 May 2006	12 December 2006
Slovenia	16 August 2006	
Solomon Islands	26 October 2006	
South Africa	17 May 2006	
Spain	26 August 2006	
Sri Lanka	22 March 2008	
Sudan	27 November 2008	
Swaziland	12 April 2008	
Sweden	17 May 2006	23 May 2006
Switzerland	17 May 2006	26 April 2006
Syrian Arab Republic	3 November 2007	
Thailand	1 May 2007	
The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia	25 August 2006	2 September 2005
Togo	20 October 2006	13 October 2006

Party	Deadline for transmission of implementation plan	Date of receipt of implementation plan by the Secretariat
Trinidad and Tobago	17 May 2006	
Tunisia	15 September 2006	
Tuvalu	17 May 2006	
Uganda	18 October 2006	
United Arab Emirates	17 May 2006	
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	17 April 2007	
United Republic of Tanzania	16 August 2006	12 June 2006
Uruguay	17 May 2006	1 June 2006
Vanuatu	15 December 2007	
Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)	16 August 2006	
Viet Nam	17 May 2006	
Yemen	17 May 2006	
Zambia	5 October 2008	