

Annex II

Draft format with explanatory notes for submitting, pursuant to Article 8 of the Stockholm Convention, the information specified in Annex F of the Convention

Note to the user:

Please insert summary information in the format provided and give clear and precise references for that information, wherever possible. It is not required to provide information under all items. The explanatory notes under each item have been developed by the POPs Review Committee and are meant to guide and assist the providers of information and have no legal status.

The information should preferably be submitted in English. If information is submitted only in another official United Nations language (Arabic, Chinese, French, Spanish or Russian), the Secretariat will aim to provide for translation of the information.

The present questionnaire is available in hard copy and an electronic version. The latter is preferred and can be downloaded at the Convention website (<http://www.pops.int>). If you use the paper version, and require additional space for any item, please add extra pages indicating the item(s) you are referring to. Note that you do not have to fill in all the boxes on the form. Please also note that if you are completing the form electronically, the size of the boxes will adjust to the amount of text inserted and, thus, a completed form may be longer than the current number of pages. If you are completing a paper hardcopy of the form, please include additional pages as required.

While providing the information, please keep in mind that the possible control measures under the Stockholm Convention are as follows:

- **Listing of the chemical in Annex A:** This would mean elimination of the production, use, export and import of the chemical. When deciding on the listing, the Conference of the Parties might decide to include any specific exemptions, with or without time limits, or restrict the general exemptions laid down in Article 3(5) and notes (i)-(iii) of Annex I. It might also add any additional provisions that would apply specifically to the chemical (as is currently done for PCBs in Part II of Annex A). These additional provisions can cover a wide range of control measures, such as labelling or provision of information to users.
- **Listing of the chemical in Annex B:** This would mean restriction of the production, use, export and import of the chemical. When deciding on the listing, the Conference of the Parties would also specify the acceptable purposes in Annex B. In addition, it might decide to include any specific exemptions, with or without time limits, or restrict the general exemptions laid down in Article 3(5) and notes (i)-(iii) of Annex II, and add any additional provisions that would apply specifically to the chemical (as is currently done for DDT in Part II of Annex B). These additional provisions can cover a wide range of control measures, such as labelling or provision of information to users.
- **Listing of the chemical in Annex C:** This annex is applicable only to unintentionally produced chemicals. Listing in Annex C would mean that the chemical would become subject to measures that prevent, reduce or eliminate the formation and release of the chemical. When deciding on the listing, the Conference of the Parties might also include any further amendments in Annex C that would be necessary to address the chemical (e.g., additional source categories, additional process control methods or pollution prevention options).
- Listing of the chemical in Annex A, B or C would also **make the chemical subject to the control provisions of Article 6 on stockpiles and waste**. These provisions include obligations to develop strategies for identifying products and articles in use that contain the chemical; to identify to the extent practicable, stockpiles and waste; to manage these stockpiles safely; and to ensure that wastes are disposed of in such a way that the POP content is destroyed or irreversibly transformed or otherwise disposed of in an environmentally sound manner.

The same chemical can be listed in both Annex A or B and Annex C.
