

The Conference

1. Adopts the programme of work of the Legal Working Group as shown in the annex to the present decision;

2. Requests the Legal Working Group, at its next session, to decide which of the proposed activities have to be carried out as a matter of priority, taking into account the priorities identified by the Conference of the Parties and the arrangements that would be necessary for that purpose.

Annex

WORK PROGRAMME OF THE LEGAL WORKING GROUP

Tasks	Activities	Year (Tentative)
I. Monitoring implementation of and compliance with the obligations set out by the Basel Convention	Finalize the proposal for establishing a mechanism on implementation and compliance.	
II. Dispute settlement mechanism	Further examine the dispute settlement mechanism that exists under article 20 of the Basel Convention and consider whether it continues to meet the needs of the Parties to the Convention.	
III. Emergency fund or mechanism	Further consider the establishment of a revolving fund or mechanism to assist on an interim basis in cases of emergency situations to minimize damage from accidents arising from the transboundary movements of hazardous wastes and other wastes or during the disposal of those wastes.	
III. Emergency fund or mechanism (<u>contd</u>)	Further consider the elements that would be required for establishing such an emergency fund or mechanism,	

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	the relationship between such an emergency fund or mechanism and the protocol on liability and compensation, and the availability of institutions able to provide prompt and adequate assistance in emergency situations.	
IV. Prevention and monitoring of illegal traffic	Develop procedures to address alleged cases of illegal traffic in hazardous wastes. In cooperation with the Technical Working Group, finalize the draft guidance elements for the detection, prevention and control of illegal traffic in hazardous wastes.	
V. Bilateral, regional and multilateral agreements or arrangements	In cooperation with the Technical Working Group, finalize the text of the draft guidance elements for bilateral, multilateral and regional agreements or arrangements.	
VI. Decision IV/8 regarding Annex VII	In cooperation with the Technical Working Group, further explore issues relating to Annex VII and provide Parties with a detailed and documented analysis that would highlight issues related to Annex VII.	
VII. Dismantling of ships	In cooperation with the Technical Working Group, analyse the legal matters under the Basel Convention relating to the issue of the full and partial dismantling of ships, with a view to reporting to the Conference of the Parties, at its sixth meeting, on how this issue should finally be resolved.	
VIII. Other tasks	Provide legal advice to the regional centres for training and technology transfer, to ensure that they follow a coherent approach in their activities, and advise on any other matter as required by the Conference of the Parties.	