

VII/6. Implementation of the Environment Initiative of the New Partnership for Africa's Development as it relates to hazardous wastes and other wastes

The Conference of the Parties,

Recalling the mandate of the Conference of the Parties in its decision VI/10 that the Secretariat of the Basel Convention and the Basel Convention regional centres in Africa cooperate with the secretariats of the African Ministerial Conference on the Environment and the New Partnership for Africa's Development,

Also recalling the endorsement by the African Ministerial Conference on the Environment of the utilization of the Basel Convention regional centres in Africa for the implementation of the Environment Initiative of the New Partnership for Africa's Development with respect to the management of hazardous wastes and other wastes,

Noting the recommendation of the New Partnership for Africa's Development to enhance capacity-building of regional centres in Africa, including the Basel Convention regional centres in Egypt, Nigeria, Senegal and South Africa, for the management of hazardous wastes in the context of building synergies with the Stockholm Convention on Persistent Organic Pollutants and the Rotterdam Convention on the Prior Informed Consent Procedure for Certain Hazardous Chemicals and Pesticides in International Trade,

Noting also that several programme activities proposed by a wide range of stakeholders that support the further implementation in Africa of the Basel Declaration on Environmentally Sound Management and the Strategic Plan for the Implementation of the Basel Convention have been selected as priority activities in the context of the Action Plan of the Environment Initiative of the New Partnership for Africa's Development,

1. *Requests* the Secretariat to continue its collaboration with the secretariat of the African Ministerial Conference on the Environment and the secretariat of the New Partnership for Africa's Development with a view to strengthening the development of concerted approaches for the further implementation in Africa of the Basel Declaration on Environmentally Sound Management and the Strategic Plan for the implementation of the Basel Convention;

2. *Encourages* Parties and other stakeholders to contribute financially and with other means to activities concerning the implementation of the Basel Convention in Africa as prioritized in the Action Plan of the Environment Initiative of the New Partnership for Africa's Development;

3. *Also requests* the Secretariat to continue its efforts to obtain financial support for the projects submitted to and endorsed by the African Ministerial Conference on the Environment;

4. *Further requests* the Secretariat to report on progress in the implementation of decision VI/10 to the Conference of the Parties at its eighth meeting.