

BC-13/3: Cartagena Declaration on the Prevention, Minimization and Recovery of Hazardous Wastes and Other Wastes

The Conference of the Parties,

Having considered the outcome of the second session of the United Nations Environment Assembly, in particular resolutions 2/7, on the sound management of chemicals and waste, 2/8, on sustainable consumption and production, 2/11, on marine plastic litter and microplastics, and 2/5, on delivering on the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, insofar as they are relevant to waste prevention and to minimization and recovery of hazardous wastes and other wastes,

1. *Invites* the Executive Director of the United Nations Environment Programme to take into account the work of the Basel Convention on the environmentally sound management and prevention of waste generation in ensuring the full integration of the environmentally sound management of waste in the programme-wide strategies and policies of the United Nations Environment Programme;¹

2. *Encourages* Parties and other stakeholders to continue to undertake activities to implement the road map for action on the implementation of the Cartagena Declaration on the Prevention, Minimization and Recovery of Hazardous Wastes and Other Wastes and to provide information on such activities to the Secretariat;

3. *Expresses* its appreciation to the expert working group on environmentally sound management and its co-chairs for their work in developing draft guidance to assist Parties in developing efficient strategies for achieving the prevention and minimization of the generation of hazardous and other wastes and their disposal;

4. *Adopts* the guidance to assist Parties in developing efficient strategies for achieving the prevention and minimization of the generation of hazardous and other wastes and their disposal;²

5. *Invites* Parties and others to submit to the Secretariat by 30 June 2018 further good practices and examples with regard to waste prevention and minimization for consideration by the expert working group on environmentally sound management;

6. *Requests* the expert working group on environmentally sound management to continue its work, subject to the availability of resources, on gathering good practices and examples with regard to waste prevention and minimization and requests the Secretariat to make them available on the website of the Basel Convention, in a structured manner, together with the good practices and examples in the annex to the guidance referred to in paragraph 4 above;

7. *Requests* the Secretariat to submit a report on progress made in the implementation of the road map for consideration by the Conference of the Parties at its fourteenth meeting.

¹ United Nations Environment Assembly resolution 2/7, para. 11.

² UNEP/CHW.13/INF/11/Rev.1.