

# Eight session of the Implementation and Compliance Committee

Geneva, 21-23 March 2011

# Specific submissions -1

- One self submission from Oman with respect to its difficulties with national reporting
- Nine submissions from the Secretariat concerning Parties that never submitted a national report
  - Bhutan, Eritrea, Guinea Bissau and Togo: participated in the meeting, Part I of the national report to be submitted before COP-10, compliance action plan to be developed
  - Cape Verde, Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Liberia, Swaziland: did not participate, further information invited
  - Nicaragua: matter resolved

# Specific submissions - 2

- shortcomings and limitations in relation to the lack of specific submissions to the Committee
  - **Implementation fund:** Committee recommends that the COP adopts directions on the use of the fund between COP-10 and COP-11 and authorizes the Committee to direct its use during that period.
  - **Trigger:** Committee recommends that the SBC trigger no longer be restricted to reporting difficulties and that the Committee be given the possibility, under specific circumstances, to initiate consideration of individual Parties' compliance difficulties in certain situations

# General issues: illegal traffic

- Committee recommends that COP-10 establish a partnership on preventing and combating illegal traffic (PPCIT)
  - to bring together and improve coordination among relevant entities with a specific mandate to deliver capacity building activities on preventing and combating illegal traffic, such as WCO, Interpol, UNEP, individual Parties, the Basel Convention Regional Centres, informal networks and the Secretariat,
  - with a focus on the development of tools and training materials, the hosting of workshops, as well as information exchange.

# General issues: National reporting

- Committee considered and agreed on recommendations pertaining to:
  - an assessment of the status of national reporting, of difficulties faced by Parties in submitting national reports and their needs for assistance;
  - the development of additional tools to assist Parties, namely the development of a “model” or “benchmark” report;
  - the classification, on a regional basis, of Parties’ compliance performance with respect to national reporting; and
  - how to promote and facilitate the exchange of information on best available practices between developed countries and developing countries, including countries with economies in transition, on development of national reporting.

# Other general issues

- Notifications: Designation of Focal Points and Competent Authorities,
- National definitions of hazardous wastes, and Import and export prohibitions:
- Legislation
- Review of the control procedure (notification and movement documents)
- General information and guidance

# Other matters

- Financial matters
  - Committee recommends that COP-10 adopt a 2012-2013 programme budget that provides for up to three meetings of three days each
- Work programme 2012-2013
  - Received briefing from CLI coordinators and on the Strategic Framework in as far as these issues relate to the Committee's work programme
  - Discussed themes for the next biennium and will agree on specific activities before COP-10

# Second meeting of the Expanded Bureau of the COP 9

Geneva, 24-25 March 2011

# Status of preparation for the COP 10

- Negotiation and conclusion of the Host Country Agreement (HCA) between the Government of Colombia and the Secretariat. The HCA was signed on 1 December 2010
- Tenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Basel Convention (COP 10), 17-21 October 2011, Cartagena, Colombia
- Theme of the COP 10: «Prevention, minimization and recovery of wastes»

# Status of preparation for the COP 10

- Issues for discussion at the COP 10:
  - New Strategic Framework
  - BCRCs
  - Indonesian-Swiss country-led initiative (CLI) to improve the effectiveness of the Basel Convention

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- Issues for discussion at the COP 10:
  - Work programme of the OEWG for 2012-2013
  - Programme of work/budget for 2012-2013
  - Enhancing cooperation and coordination among the Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm Conventions

# Additional issues

- Report on the implementation of programme of work for 2010
- List of positions of the officers of the different bodies of the Convention to be elected at COP 10
- Link between waste management and climate change
- Joint meetings of the Bureaux
- Criteria for financing the participation at meetings