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Offer by Switzerland to host the Permanent Secretariat of the Minamata Convention on Mercury in Geneva

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Swiss Offer

- The Swiss Offer consists of:
 - A total sum of CHF 2,500,000.- to the Secretariat each year
 - An initial Payment of CHF 100,000.- to the Secretariat for the consolidation of its infrastructure
 - Rent-free office space in the Environment House
 - Access to the Conference Center (CICG)



Reasons for Geneva

- Relevant institutions and international organisations
- Permanent missions
- Conference centre and Palais des Nations
- Living and working conditions



Reasons for a joint Secretariat for 4 Conventions

- Access to expertise and experience
- Coherent and coordinated support for the Parties
- Access to Regional Centers
- Price