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Dear Mr. Kasten,

Subject: Views on the mandate of the ad hoc working group of experts on financing established at the sixth session of the intergovernmental negotiating committee on mercury.

With reference to the letter from UNEP dated 5 June 2015, inviting INC6 Government representatives and SAICM National Focal Point to submit the views regarding the mandate of the ad hoc working group of experts on financing.

In response to that matter, The Pollution Control Department, Thailand, as the SAICM National Focal Point, is pleased to submit our views regarding the above-mentioned mandate as enclosed herewith.

Please be assured of our full cooperation.

Yours sincerely,

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Enclosure: As stated.

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Thailand's views on the mandate of the ad hoc working group of experts on financing established at the sixth session of the intergovernmental negotiating committee on mercury

Thailand recognizes that strengthening the existing capacity of developing countries through support of adequate capacity building and technical assistance will facilitate the effective implementation of the Convention's obligations in such countries. With this respect, Thailand would like to submit views on the mandate of the ad hoc working group of experts on financing established at the sixth session of the intergovernmental negotiating committee on mercury for preparing relevant the specific international programme as the following:

The mandate of the ad hoc working group of experts on financing should focus on developing Terms of Reference for the specific international programme to be guidance for its effective operation of that programme. TOR should have at least the elements as follows.

- The objective of the specific international programme
 - Expected outcomes from the specific international programme
 - Scope of the specific international programme, it should be broader than the special programme that focus on institutional strengthening.
 - Eligibility for support from the specific international programme, it should be available for developing countries and countries with economies in transition where they are Parties to the Convention or have performed that they are in the process of preparing for the ratification or accession of the Convention.
 - Governance structure of the specific international programme, the ad hoc working should develop the criteria for being the host institution and also identify the existing institutions for the consideration by INC.
 - Sources of funding for the specific international programme
 - Duration of the specific international programme
 - Effectiveness evaluation of the specific international programme
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