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First meeting

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Matters for action by the Conference of the Parties at its first meeting: matters stipulated under the Convention: the establishment of arrangements in regard to effectiveness evaluation as referred to in paragraph 2 of article 22

Admission of observers: bodies or agencies requesting admission to participate in meetings of the Conference of the Parties to the Minamata Convention on Mercury

Note by the secretariat

The annex to the present note sets out a list of bodies and agencies that have requested admission to the first meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Minamata Convention on Mercury. The bodies and agencies are requesting admission to participate as observers in accordance with rule 7 of the draft rules of procedure for meetings of the Conference of the Parties to the Minamata Convention, as set out in document UNEP/MC/COP.1/3.

Annex I

Intergovernmental organizations other than the United Nations, its specialized agencies and the International Atomic Energy Agency

African Union Commission

Amazon Cooperation Treaty Organization (ACTO)

Arctic Council

Corporación Andina de Fomento (CAF)

Commission of the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS)

Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD)

Convention for the Protection of the Marine Environment of the North-East Atlantic (OSPAR)

Secretariat of the Pacific Regional Environment Programme (SPREP)

South Asia Cooperative Environment Programme (SACEP)

**Annex II**

Non-governmental organizations

Abibimman Foundation  
Ghana

Action Jeunesse pour le Développement (AJED)  
Congo

Association of Environmental Education for Future Generations (AEEFG)  
Tunisia

African Development Assistance Consult   
Democratic Republic of the Congo

Agenda for Environment and Responsible Development   
United Republic of Tanzania

Alliance for Responsible Mining  
Colombia

Association pour la Protection de l’Environnement et Developpement Durable de Bizerte (APEDDUB)  
Tunisia

Armenian Women for Health and Healthy Environment  
Armenia

Arnika Association  
Czechia

Artisanal Gold Council  
Canada

Asian Centre for Environmental Health (ACEH)  
Bangladesh

Association Congolaise pour le Développement Agricole (ACDA)  
Congo

Atkinson Centre, Cornell University  
United States of America

Backward Society Education (BASE)  
Nepal

BaliFokus  
Indonesia

BAN Toxics  
Philippines

Biodiversity Research Institute  
United States of America

Boston University  
United States of America

Bromine Science and Environmental Forum (BSEF)  
Belgium

Centre for environment, women, education and development (CEEWED)  
Nigeria

Centre for Environmental Solutions  
Belarus

Centre for International Environmental Law (CIEL)  
Switzerland

Centre for Public Health and Environmental Development (CEPHED)  
Nepal

Centre Congolais pour le Développement Durable  
Democratic Republic of the Congo

Centre de Recherche et d'Education pour le Développement (CREPD)  
Cameroon

Centre for Climate Change and Environmental Studies  
Nigeria

Centre for Earth Works (CFEW)  
Nigeria

Centre for Environment Justice and Development  
Kenya

Centre for Environmental Consulting Services   
Ghana

Centre International de Droit Comparé de l'Environnement  
France

Children's Environmental Health Foundation  
Zambia

Clean All Mercury Company  
United States of America

Collaboration Centre for Minamata Disease Victims  
Japan

Colnodo  
Colombia

Congress of Aboriginal Peoples  
Canada

Conservation International  
United States of America

Dalit Welfare Association (DWA)  
Nepal

Dartmouth College  
United States of America

Development Indian Ocean Network (DION)  
Mauritius

Indigenous Peoples Centre for Documentation (Docip)   
Switzerland

Ecological Restorations   
Ghana

EcoLomics International  
Canada

Environmental Management for Livelihood Improvement (EMLI) Bwaise Facility  
Uganda

Environmental Ambassadors for Sustainable Development  
Serbia

Enviroteam  
Republic of Moldova

European Environmental Bureau  
Belgium

World Dental Federation (FDI)  
Switzerland

Fondation des Oeuvres pour la Solidarité et le Bien Etre Social   
Democratic Republic of the Congo

Forum for Nature Protection   
Nepal

Foundation to Support Civil Initiatives (FSCI)  
Tajikistan

Friends of the Nation  
Ghana

Groupe d’Action pour la Promotion et la Protection de la Flore et la Faune (GAPROFFA)   
Benin

GreenDev Associates International Limited   
Ghana

Greenwomen Analytical Environmental Agency  
Kazakhstan

GroundWork  
South Africa

Gulf Research Centre  
Egypt

Hazardous Waste Europe (HWE)  
France

Holly Heart United  
Democratic Republic of the Congo

Horizon Foundation  
Sierra Leone

Hoste Hainse  
Nepal

House of Jacobs International   
Nigeria

Human Rights Watch  
Germany

Huqooq-ul-Ebad Development Foundation  
Pakistan

International Academy of Oral Medicine and Toxicology (IAOMT)  
United States of America

Information and Communication Technology (ICT) Global Link Japan  
Japan

Instituto de Pesquisa e Formação Indígena (Iepé)  
Brazil

League of Independent Activists (IndyACT)  
Lebanon

Interamerican Association for Environmental Defense  
United States of America

International Centre for Environmental Research  
Georgia

International Council on Mining and Metals  
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland

International Dental Manufacturers Association (IDM)  
Australia

International Indian Treaty Council  
United States of America

International Peace Information Service (IPIS Research)  
Belgium

International Society of Doctors for the Environment (ISDE)  
Argentina

International Voluntary Organization for Women, Education and Development (IVOWED)  
Ghana

Inuit Circumpolar Council  
Canada

International POPs Elimination Network (IPEN)  
Sweden

Island Sustainability Alliance CIS Inc (ISACI)  
Cook Islands

Jeunes Volontaires Pour l'Environnement (JVE) Côte d'Ivoire  
Côte d’Ivoire

Kejibaus Youth Development Initiative   
Nigeria

Kenana Association  
Egypt

Land and Human to Advocate Progress  
Jordan

Living Law  
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland

Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) International Policy Lab  
United States of America

Muneer Supplies Corporation   
Pakistan

National Association of Chemical Industry (ANIQ)  
Mexico

National Association of Professional Environmentalists (NAPE)  
Uganda

Natural Resources Defence Council (NRDC)  
United States of America

Nepal Astronomical Society (NASO)  
Nepal

Ecological Society Ruzgar  
Azerbaijan

Carbone Guinée  
Guinea

OASIS  
Serbia

Ordine dei Chimici della Provincia di Treviso  
Italy

Pesticide Action Network (PAN) Africa  
Senegal

Pesticide Action Nexus Association (PAN-Ethiopia)  
Ethiopia

Public Association Independent Ecological Expertise  
Kyrgyzstan

Public Awareness and Monitoring Centre  
Armenia

Kyrgyz Coalition Against Tuberculosis Public Foundation  
Kyrgyzstan

Pure Earth  
United States of America

Rural Area Development Programme (RADP)  
Switzerland

Society of Environmental Toxicology and Chemistry (SETAC)  
United States of America

Sudanese Environment Conservation Society (SECS)   
Sudan

Sustainable Development Policy Institute (SDPI)  
Pakistan

Sustainable Research and Action for Environmental Development (SRADev Nigeria)  
Nigeria

Swedish Society for Nature Conservation (SSNC)  
Sweden

Syracuse University  
United States of America

The Ukrainian National Environmental NGO MAMA-86  
Ukraine

Toxics Link  
India

Toxisphera Environmental Health Association  
Brazil

Tribhuvan University  
Nepal

Union of Chambers of Turkish Engineers and Architects   
Turkey

Women Engage for a Common Future (WECF)  
Netherlands

World Alliance for Mercury-Free Dentistry  
United States of America

World Chlorine Council  
Belgium

World Federation of Public Health Associations  
United States of America

World Wide Fund for Nature (WWF) Brazil  
Brazil

Young Naturalist Network   
India

Zero Pollution Alliance  
Panama

Zoï Environment Network  
Switzerland

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