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**Q1 INFORMATION ON THE PARTY**

Name of the party **Japan**

**Q2** Date on which its instrument of ratification, accession, approval or acceptance was deposited **Date** **02/02/2016**

**Q3** Date of entry into force of the Convention for the party **Date** **16/08/2017**

**Q4 INFORMATION ON THE NATIONAL FOCAL POINT**

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**Q5 INFORMATION ABOUT THE CONTACT OFFICER SUBMITTING THE REPORTING FORMAT IF DIFFERENT FROM THE ABOVE** -

**Q6 DATE THE REPORT WAS SUBMITTED** **Date** **23/12/2019**

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**Q7** 1. Does the party have any primary mines that were operating within its territory at the date of entry into force of the Convention for the party? (Para. 3.) **No**

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**Q8** c. If yes, please indicate Total amount mined \_\_\_\_\_ metric tons per year -

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**Q9** Additional information on this question if needed -

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**Q10** 3. Has the party endeavoured to identify individual stocks of mercury or mercury compounds exceeding 50 metric tons and sources of mercury supply generating stocks exceeding 10 metric tons per year that are located within its territory? (Para. 5.) **Yes**

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**Q11** If the party answered Yes to Question 3 above: i. Please attach the results of your endeavour or indicate where it is available on the internet, unless unchanged from a previous reporting round.

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**Q12** ii. Supplemental: Please provide any related information, for example on the use or disposal of mercury from such stock and sources.

storage, amount used and disposed of per specific purposes.

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**Q13** 5. Has the party received consent, or relied on a general notification of consent, in accordance with article 3, including any required certification from importing non-parties, for all exports of mercury from the party's territory in the reporting period? (Para. 6, para. 7.) **Yes, exports to parties**, **Yes, exports to non-parties**

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**Q14** If yes, a. and the party has submitted copies of the consent forms to the secretariat, then no further information is needed. If the party has not previously provided such copies, it is recommended that it do so. Otherwise, please provide other suitable information showing that the relevant requirements of paragraph 6 of article 3 have been met. Supplemental: please provide information on the use of the exported mercury.

Japan has exported mercury to both parties and non-parties in accordance with article 3. We are preparing for submitting copies of all the consent forms to the secretariat.

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**Q15** Kindly attach all relevant information here -

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**Q16 b.** If exports were based on a general notification in accordance with article 3, paragraph 7, please indicate, if available, the total amount exported and any relevant terms or conditions in the general notification related to use.

Japan exported total amount of approx. 1.8 tons of mercury to Thailand based on a general notification.

According to the Form D provided by Thailand, "Mercury (Quick Silver; Hydrargyrum) are hazardous substance, category 3 under the Hazardous Substances Act 1992.

Its import, export, production, and possession permitted by Department of Industrial Works, Ministry of Industry, Thailand."

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**Q17** Kindly attach any relevant information here -

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**Q18** Part E. As per agreed reporting format, Parties are invited to provide additional comments on this article in free text. Kindly use the box below. -

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**Q19** 2. Are there facilities for final disposal of waste consisting of mercury or mercury compounds in the party's territory? **No**

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**Q20** If yes, if the information is available, how much waste consisting of mercury or mercury compounds has been subjected to final disposal under the reporting period? Please specify the method of the final disposal operation/operations. -

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**Q21** Kindly attach any additional relevant information here -

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**Q22** Part E. As per agreed reporting format, Parties are invited to provide additional comments on this article in free text. Kindly use the box below. -

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**Q23** Part C. Comments regarding possible challenges in meeting the objectives of the Convention (Art. 21, para. 1) -

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**Q24** Part D. Comments regarding the reporting format and possible improvements, if any

Regarding Question 5 under Article 3: Mercury Supply Source and Trade, we would like to choose two of the three options. Please change the radio buttons to check boxes.

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**Q25** Additional information to supplement that request may be attached -