## Note by the Executive Secretary on the Draft work programme of the Open-ended Working Group for 2012–2013

By its Decision OEWG VII/18, the Open-ended Working Group to the Basel Convention requested the Secretariat to prepare and make available to the Parties by 15 May 2011, a revised draft work programme of the Open-ended Working Group for 2012–2013 taking into account the outcome of its seventh session.

The draft work programme of the Open-ended Working Group for 2012–2013 is available on the website of the Basel Convention at:

http://www.basel.int/meetings/oewg-workprog-2012-2013/draf-work-prog-2012-2013.doc

In addition, the Decision also invited the Parties to comment on the revised draft work programme by 30 June 2011 and requests the Secretariat to publish such comments on the website of the Basel Convention.

I would kindly invite you and your representative experts in the subject area to provide comments on the abovementioned document to the Secretariat by 30 June 2011 or as early as possible.

The Secretariat will prepare a draft decision on the work programme of the Open-ended Working Group for 2012–2013 for consideration and possible adoption by the Conference of the Parties at its tenth meeting.

I would thank you in advance for your kind cooperation and valuable input.

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