VIII/14: Reporting

The Conference of the Parties,

Recalling its decision VII/35,

1. *Urges* Parties that have not yet done so to transmit to the Secretariat the completed questionnaire on transmission of information for the year 2004 and for previous years, as soon as possible and if possible in electronic form, using the revised questionnaire adopted by the Conference of the Parties at its sixth meeting, bearing in mind that, in accordance with the provisions of paragraph 3 of article 13 of the Convention, Parties shall transmit, before the end of each calendar year, a report on the previous calendar year;

2. *Requests* that such information be provided by Parties to the Secretariat for the calendar year 2005 before the end of calendar year 2006, if possible in electronic form;

3. *Invites* Parties to fill in any data gaps which may exist in their previously reported datasets on generation and transboundary movement of hazardous wastes and other wastes for the years 1999 and later;

4. *Encourages* Parties to continue to report on their implementation of decision II/12 in their reports submitted pursuant to article 13 of the Convention;

5. *Requests* the Secretariat to assist Parties to improve the comparability of their data on the transboundary movements of hazardous wastes and other wastes;

6. Also requests the Secretariat to prepare and publish:

(a) For each of the years 2004 and 2005, an annual compilation document based on the information contained in part I of the completed questionnaires on transmission of information submitted by Parties;

(b) For the triennium 2004–2006 and for each triennium thereafter, a summary, including graphic representations, of the data on transboundary movements of hazardous wastes and other wastes contained in part II of the completed questionnaires on transmission of information submitted by Parties;

(c) For the triennium 2004–2006 and for each triennium thereafter, a country fact sheet for each Party submitting completed questionnaires on transmission of information, based on the information contained in such questionnaires;

7. *Further requests* the Secretariat to incorporate the contents of part I of the questionnaire, on transmission of information, in English, into the reporting database, within available resources, if the questionnaires are completed by Parties in any official language of the United Nations other than English;

8. *Requests* the Secretariat to prepare a further consolidated report on the implementation of decision II/12 and to report thereon to the Conference of the Parties at its ninth meeting;

9. *Also requests* the Secretariat to continue to provide training to developing countries and other countries that are in need of assistance to meet their reporting obligations by organizing workshops through the Basel Convention regional centres or by other appropriate means.