



Punta del Este (Uruguay),
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Secretariat for the Stockholm
Convention on Persistent Organic
Pollutants
11-13 Chemin des Anémones
1219 Châtelaine
GENEVA
(SWITZERLAND)

Subject: Proposal to add new substances to the Stockholm Convention on Persistent Organic Pollutants (POPs)

Dear Sirs,

In accordance with Article 8(1) of the Stockholm Convention on Persistent Organic Pollutants (POPs), a Party may submit proposals for the listing of further substances in the annexes to the Convention.

The European Community and its Member States that are Parties to the Convention propose that the following substances be added to Annex A of the Convention:

- chlordecone (143-50-0),
- hexabromobiphenyl (36355-01-8)

In this context, we strongly support Mexico's submission on HCH/lindane. We also express again our full support for Norway's proposal on P-BDE.

You will find enclosed the information specified in Annex D for chlordecone and hexabromobiphenyl.

We ask that the Secretariat forward this proposal to the Persistent Organic Pollutants Review Committee.