

SC-4/30: Reporting

The Conference of the Parties

1. *Welcomes* the report based on information received pursuant to Article 15 of the Convention prepared by the Secretariat;¹
2. *Decides* that, in accordance with Article 15, each Party shall submit its second report pursuant to Article 15 to the Secretariat by 31 October 2010 for consideration by the Conference of the Parties at its fifth meeting;
3. *Invites* Parties:
 - (a) To use the training module on the use of the electronic system for reporting and to provide comments on it to the Secretariat to facilitate its improvement;
 - (b) To provide to the Secretariat by 31 December 2009 comments on their experience in using the electronic system for reporting;
4. *Requests* the Secretariat:
 - (a) To prepare a report pursuant to paragraph 2 (d) of Article 20 of the Convention for consideration by the Conference of the Parties at its fifth meeting;
 - (b) To continue to provide training to Parties to assist them in using the electronic system for reporting;
 - (c) To develop the users' manual for the electronic system further and to distribute it widely in order to facilitate the process for reporting pursuant to Article 15 of the Convention;
 - (d) To develop an enhanced version of the electronic system for reporting in time for the second round of Article 15 Party reporting in 2010, taking into account the suggestions for improvement set out in the note by the Secretariat on effectiveness evaluation² and comments received from Parties.

1 UNEP/POPS/COP.4/29.

2 UNEP/POPS/COP.4/30.