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STOCKHOLM CONVENTION ON PERSISTENT ORGANIC POLLUTANTS STOCKHOLM, 22 MAY 2001

New Zealand: Withdrawal of notifications of non-acceptance of amendments $^{\rm 1}$

The Secretary-General of the United Nations, acting in his capacity as depositary, communicates the following:

On 15 December 2016, the Government of New Zealand notified the Secretary-General, in accordance with paragraphs 3 (b) and 4 of article 22 of the Convention, of its withdrawal of the notifications of non-acceptance ¹ of the amendments to Annexes A, B and C transmitted by depositary notifications C.N.524.2009.TREATIES-4 of 26 August 2009 and C.N.934.2013.TREATIES-XXVII.15 of 26 November 2013.

In accordance with paragraphs 3 (b) and 4 of article 22, the above-mentioned Amendments to Annexes A, B and C of the Convention entered into force for New Zealand on 15 December 2016, i.e., the date of withdrawal of its notifications of non-acceptance. Paragraphs 3 (b) and 4 of article 22 read as follows:

- "3 (b) Any Party that is unable to accept an additional annex shall so notify the depositary, in writing, within one year from the date of communication by the depositary of the adoption of the additional annex. The depositary shall without delay notify all Parties of any such notification received. A Party may at any time withdraw a previous notification of non-acceptance in respect of any additional annex, and the annex shall thereupon enter into force for that Party subject to subparagraph (c);
- 4. The proposal, adoption and entry into force of amendments to Annex A, B or C shall be subject to the same procedures as for the proposal, adoption and entry into force of additional annexes to this Convention..."

15 December 2016

¹ Refer to depositary notifications C.N.540.2010.TREATIES-6 of 24 August 2010 (Notification in accordance with paragraphs 3 (b) and 3 (c) and paragraph 4 of article 22 of the Convention: New Zealand) and C.N.533.2014.TREATIES-XXVII.15 of 29 August 2014 (Notification under article 22: New Zealand).

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