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BASEL CONVENTION ON THE CONTROL OF TRANSBOUNDARY  
MOVEMENTS OF HAZARDOUS WASTES AND THEIR DISPOSAL

BASEL, 22 MARCH 1989

ENTRY INTO FORCE OF AMENDMENTS TO ANNEXES VIII AND IX OF THE CONVENTION<sup>1</sup>

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

The amendments to Annexes VIII and IX became effective for all Parties to the Convention on  
20 November 2003, in accordance with paragraphs 2 (c) and 3 of Article 18 which read as follows:

“2. (c) On the expiry of six months from the date of the circulation of the communication by  
the Depositary, the annex shall become effective for all parties to this Convention or to any protocol  
concerned, which have not submitted a notification in accordance with the provision of subparagraph  
(b) above.

3. The proposal, adoption and entry into force of amendments to annexes to this Convention or  
to any protocol shall be subject to the same procedure as for the proposal, adoption and entry into force  
of annexes to the Convention or annexes to a protocol. Annexes and amendments thereto shall take due  
account, inter alia, of relevant scientific and technical considerations.”

20 November 2003



1. Refer to depositary notification C.N.399.2003.TREATIES-9 of  
20 May 2003 (Proposal of Amendments to Annexes VIII and IX of the Convention)

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