

Reference: C.N.370.2016.TREATIES-XXVII.15 (Depositary Notification)

STOCKHOLM CONVENTION ON PERSISTENT ORGANIC POLLUTANTS
STOCKHOLM, 22 MAY 2001

EUROPEAN UNION: WITHDRAWAL OF NOTIFICATION OF NON-ACCEPTANCE ¹

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

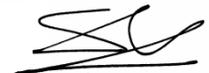
On 22 April 2016, the European Union notified the Secretary-General, in accordance with paragraphs 3 (b) and 3 (c) and paragraph 4 of article 22 of the Convention, of its withdrawal of the notification of non-acceptance ¹ of the amendment to Annex A, transmitted by depositary notification C.N.934.2013.TREATIES-XXVII.15 of 26 November 2013.

In accordance with paragraphs 3 (b) and 4 of article 22, the Amendment to Annex A of the Convention entered into force for the European Union on 22 April 2016, i.e., the date of withdrawal of its notification 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...”

29 April 2016



¹ Refer to depositary notifications C.N.735.2014.TREATIES-XXVII.15 of 25 November 2014 (Notification under article 22: European Union) and C.N.484.2015.TREATIES-XXVII.15 of 15 September 2015 (Communication in relation to the notification made under article 22: European Union).