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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 II, VIII and IX to the Convention  $^{\rm 1}$ 

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

Within the period of six months from the date of depositary notification C.N.220.2024.TREATIES-XXVII.3 of 1 July 2024 by which the Secretary-General communicated the text of amendments to Annexes II, VIII and IX to the Convention, three (3) of the Parties to the Convention (Canada, Israel and New Zealand) notified the Secretary-General, pursuant to article 18 (2) (b) of the Convention, that they are unable to accept the said amendments at the date of their entry into force.

Therefore, the amendments to Annexes II, VIII and IX became effective for all Parties to the Convention, with the exception of Canada, Israel and New Zealand, on 1 January 2025, in accordance with paragraphs (2) (c) and (3) of article 18 of the Convention 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."

8 January 2025

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Refer to depositary notification C.N.220.2024.TREATIES-XXVII.3 of 1 July 2024 (Amendments to Annexes II, VIII and IX to the Convention).