3. a) Amendment to the Basel Convention on the Control of Transboundary Movements of Hazardous Wastes and their Disposal

**Geneva, 22 September 1995**

**ENTRY INTO FORCE:**
5 December 2019, in accordance with article 17(5) of the Convention which reads as follows: "Instruments of ratification, approval, formal confirmation or acceptance of amendments shall be deposited with the Depositary. Amendments adopted in accordance with paragraphs 3 or 4 [of article 17 of the Convention] shall enter into force between Parties having accepted them on the ninetieth day after the receipt by the Depositary of their instrument of ratification, approval, formal confirmation or acceptance by at least three-fourths of the Parties who accepted them or by at least two thirds of the Parties to the protocol concerned who accepted them, except as may otherwise be provided in such protocol. The amendments shall enter into force for any other Party on the ninetieth day after that Party deposits its instrument of ratification, approval, formal confirmation or acceptance of the amendments".

**STATUS:**
Parties: 98.

**TEXT:**
Doc. UNEP/CHW.3/35.

*Note:* By decision III/1, of 22 September 1995, the Third meeting of the Conference of the Contracting Parties to the above Convention, which took place in Geneva from 18 to 22 September 1995, adopted an Amendment to the Convention (including the adoption of Annex VII).

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... that the accession of the Syrian Arab Republic to the Amendment and the Protocol shall not under any circumstances whatsoever signify recognition of Israel,
nor shall it lead to entry therewith into any dealings that may be governed by the provisions of the said amendment and Protocol.

Notes:
1 With a reservation for the application to the Faroe Islands and Greenland.

2 See note 1 under "Montenegro" in the "Historical Information" section in the front matter of this volume.

3 On 11 April 2013, the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland informed the Secretary-General that:

"... the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland wishes the United Kingdom’s ratification..."
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1. Gibraltar is a Non-Self-Governing Territory for whose international relations the Government of the United Kingdom is responsible and which is subject to a process of decolonization in accordance with the relevant decisions and resolutions of the General Assembly.

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3. Consequently, any involvement by the Gibraltarian authorities in the implementation of this Convention shall be understood to take place exclusively within the framework of the internal affairs of Gibraltar and shall not be considered to affect in any way the content of the two preceding paragraphs.

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5. The implementation of the present Convention and the Amendment thereto in Gibraltar cannot be interpreted as recognition of any rights or situations involving matters not included in Article 10 of the Treaty of Utrecht of 13 July 1713, signed by the crowns of Spain and Great Britain.

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