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NOTICE OF MEETING AND PROVISIONAL AGENDA

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Subject: Working Party on International Environment Issues

Date: Wednesday, 9 October 2013 (14h30 - afternoon only)

Venue: COUNCIL

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Horizontal issues

1. Preparation of the 19th session of the UNECE Committee on Environmental Policy (CEP 19) (Geneva, 22-25 October 2013)
 - a) Update on ongoing discussions in Geneva on broader UNECE governance issues relevant for the CEP 19, in particular:
 - i) draft Rules of Procedure
 - ii) finance issues
 - iii) the Environment and Security initiative
 - b) The Environment for Europe (EfE) process
 - i) mid-term review of the Astana Conference's main outcomes
 - ii) the 8th EfE Ministerial Conference
 - draft position/speaking points

- c) Other issues on the agenda of CEP 19
 - i) Multilateral Environment Agreements (MEAs)
 - ii) Environmental Performance Reviews (EPRs)
 - iii) Environmental assessment and reporting
 - iv) Programme of work
 - discussion
- 2. Preparation of the 18th meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Barcelona Convention and its Protocols (Istanbul, Turkey, 3-6 December 2013)
 - a) debriefing on the last Mediterranean Action Plan (MAP) focal points meeting (Athens, 10-12 September 2013)
 - b) draft EU position
- 3. Third meeting of the Working Group on Development of the Convention on the Transboundary Effects of Industrial Accidents (Geneva, 3-4 September 2013)
 - debriefing
- 4. Any other business

Documents on the above items will be circulated in due course

NB: Delegates requiring day badges to attend meetings should consult document 14387/1/12 REV 1 on how to obtain them.