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NOTICE OF MEETING AND PROVISIONAL AGENDA

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Subject:	Informal videoconference of the members of the Working Party on International Environment Issues (Int. Chemicals/Synergies) (<u>morning only</u>)
Date:	16 April 2021
Time:	10.00
Venue:	Videoconference

1. Preparation of the Conference of Parties to the Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm Conventions
 - a) Organisation of the online segment of Triple COP (26-30 July 2021)
 - = *Information from Bureaux members*
 - = *Information from the Presidency on the way forward and burden sharing*
 - b) Elections of officers
 - = *Information from the Presidency and the Commission*
 - c) Proposal for a COUNCIL DECISION on the position to be taken on behalf of the European Union at the tenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Stockholm Convention on Persistent Organic Pollutants as regards the proposal for amendment of Annex A
 - = *Presentation by the Commission*
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3. Strategic Approach to International Chemicals Management (SAICM) and the Sound Management of Chemicals and Waste Beyond 2020 (SMCW)
 - a) ICCM5 Bureau meeting (follow-up from the 24 March Bureau meeting)
= *Information from Bureau members*
 - b) Virtual Working Groups
= *Information from the Presidency*
 - c) High Level Event (Berlin, 7-8 July 2021)
= *Information from Germany*
4. Preparation of the fourth meeting of the Conference of Parties to the Minamata Convention (COP-4)
 - a) Organization of COP-4
= *Information from Bureau members (follow-up Bureau Meeting 14 April 2021)*
 - b) Proposal for a submission on the review of Annexes A and B of the Minamata Convention
= *Information from the Presidency*
 - c) “Norway-Canada Facilitative Process for Minamata Effectiveness Evaluation: Proposed Policy Options for Discussion”
= *Information from the Commission*
= *Presentation by the Commission of the draft informal comments from the EU and its Member States on the NO/CAN Policy Option*
= *Discussion*
 - d) Information on expert discussions concerning a threshold for mercury contaminated waste and its implications
= *Presentation by the Commission*
= *Discussion*
5. Draft UNEA-5 resolution on the establishment of an intergovernmental negotiating committee for an international legally binding agreement on plastic pollution
= *Information from the Presidency*
6. Any other business

NB: Council documents are available on Delegates Portal.