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Implementation of the Strategic Approach to

International Chemicals Management:

financial and technical resources for implementation

**Amending the time limit of the disbursement of funds under
Quick Start Programme projects**

Note by the secretariat

The secretariat has the honour to transmit to the International Conference on Chemicals Management the annex to decision OEWG.1/2, adopted by the Open-ended Working Group of the Conference at its first meeting (see annex). In accordance with its functions set out in resolution II/6 of the Conference, the Working Group is transmitting the decision to the Conference for consideration and possible adoption at its third session. The decision is extracted from the report of the Open-ended Working Group on the work of its first meeting (see SAICM/ICCM.3/INF/2).

* SAICM/ICCM.3/1.

Annex

Decision OEWG.1/2 of the Open-ended Working Group of the International Conference on Chemicals Management: annex

Resolution III/[]: Amending the time limit of the disbursement of funds under Quick Start Programme projects

The Conference,

Recalling its resolutions I/4 and II/3,

Recalling also that, in paragraph 16 of resolution II/3, the Conference decided, in order to accommodate some potential donors' budgetary planning horizons and to facilitate the evaluation mentioned in paragraph 17 of that resolution, to allow the Quick Start Programme trust fund to remain open for voluntary contributions until the third session of the International Conference on Chemicals Management while the time limit for disbursement of funds from the trust fund would remain the end of 2013,

Recognizing the successes to date of the Quick Start Programme, including its trust fund, in providing support to developing countries and countries with economies in transition to undertake initial enabling activities to facilitate the achievement of the 2020 goal of the World Summit on Sustainable Development,

Taking into consideration that the demand for funding from the Quick Start Programme trust fund remains high and given that there are some Strategic Approach stakeholders requesting support for the first time and some approved projects that have not yet been financed from the trust fund,

Having considered the information in the notes by the secretariat providing an update on the Quick Start Programme¹ and its status,²

1. *Decides* that financial contributions received by the Quick Start Programme trust fund until the third session of the Conference and funds committed to projects by the end of 2013 may be disbursed until all approved projects in the portfolio are completed;
2. *Invites* the regional offices of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, the United Nations Environment Programme and the World Health Organization, where necessary through their governing bodies, to mobilize human and technical resources to support the implementation of the Strategic Approach to International Chemicals Management, including the activities contained in the Global Plan of Action.

1 SAICM/OEWG.1/5.

2 SAICM/OEWG.1/INF/12/Rev.1.