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Matters for consideration or action by the Conference of the Parties: environmentally sound interim storage of mercury other than waste mercury

Draft decision MC-2/6: Environmentally sound interim storage of mercury other than waste mercury

The Conference of the Parties,

Recognizing the need to assist parties in the environmentally sound interim storage of mercury other than waste mercury through the provision of guidelines,

1. Adopts the guidelines on the environmentally sound interim storage of mercury other than waste mercury¹ and calls on the parties to the Minamata Convention on Mercury to take them into account in complying with their obligation to take measures to ensure that the interim storage of such mercury and mercury compounds intended for a use allowed to a party under the Convention is undertaken in an environmentally sound manner;

2. *Notes* that the guidelines may need to be revised in the future to ensure that they continue to reflect best practice.

¹ UNEP/MC/COP.2/L.7/Add.1.