

Sixth Meeting of The Waigani Convention

Sixth Meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention to Ban the Importation into Forum Island Countries of Hazardous and Radioactive Wastes and to Control the Transboundary Movement and the Management of Hazardous Wastes within the South Pacific Region (Waigani Convention)

Noumea, New Caledonia
31st August 2012

Agenda Item 6: Reporting and Transmission of Information and Illegal Traffic

Purpose

1. To table national Reports received from Parties as well as reports of illegal traffic.

Background

2. Article 7.3 of the Waigani Convention requires Parties, consistent with their national laws and regulations, to set up information, collection and dissemination mechanisms on hazardous wastes to enable the Secretariat to fulfil its obligations under articles 9.6 and 14.
3. The Second Meeting of the Parties, 2004, adopted *Reporting and Transmission of Information* forms to be filled out annually by Parties and submitted to the SPREP in its role as the Secretariat of the Waigani Convention. The Parties were requested to begin reporting under the Waigani Convention starting at the 2004 calendar year.
4. The Second Meeting of the Parties, 2004, also approved *Guidance Elements for Detection, Prevention and control of Illegal Traffic in Hazardous Wastes* and the *Form for confirmed cases of Illegal Traffic*.
5. The above forms can be downloaded at: <http://www.sprep.org/legal/regional.htm>.
6. At the time of writing, no Reports had been received by the Secretariat nor instances of illegal traffic reported.

Recommendation

7. The Meeting is invited:
 - to **table** any Reports they may have completed for 2011 or 2012; and
 - to **share** with the Secretariat and other Parties their experience with any instances of illegal traffic since September 2010.