La Habana, 13 November 2008

Ms. Elisabetta Tagliati
Rotterdam Convention Secretariat

Dear Ms.

According to your request, I would like to inform you that, for the products listed below, the regulatory actions adopted at national level, were not adopted on the basis of an assessment of risk, but rather on the basis of information available at the moment of adopting these regulations (high toxicity levels in humans and persistency in the environment), including the knowledge of similar intoxication events.

- Cyhexatin (No. CAS: 13121-70-5)
- Chlordecone (No. CAS: 143-50-0)
- Inorganic arsenic compounds
- Dibromochloropropane (No. CAS: 96-12-8)
- Endrin (No. CAS: 72-20-8)
- Leptophos (No. CAS: 21609-90-5)
- Mirex (No. CAS: 2385-85-5)
- Sodium fluoroacetate (1080) (No. CAS: 62-74-8)
- Nitrofen (No. CAS: 1836-75-5)
- Dithallium sulphate (No. CAS: 7446-18-6)

I take the opportunity to express you my highest consideration,

Ing. José Antonio de la Paz Álvarez
Designated National Authority
Rotterdam Convention
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Listing of chemicals in Annex III to the Rotterdam Convention:
review of notifications of final regulatory actions to ban
or severely restrict a chemical: mirex

Mirex

Note by the Secretariat

Addendum

Information received from Cuba

The Secretariat has the honour to provide, in the annex to the present note, information received from Cuba on the final regulatory action on mirex as a pesticide.
Annex

Official letter received from Cuba informing that the regulatory actions adopted at the national level for mirex and other chemicals were not adopted on the basis of an assessment of risk.