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**Conference of the Parties to the
Minamata Convention on Mercury
Fifth meeting**

Geneva, 30 October–3 November 2023
Item 2 (a) of the provisional agenda*

Organizational matters: adoption of the agenda

Annotated provisional agenda

Note by the secretariat

1. The annotated provisional agenda of the fifth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Minamata Convention on Mercury is set out in annex I to the present note and provides an overview of the agenda items to be considered during the meeting, with a reference guide to the documents that have been prepared, to facilitate their consideration by parties under each item. The tentative schedule of work for the meeting is set out in annex II.
2. The present note is to be read in conjunction with the list of documents for the fifth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Minamata Convention on Mercury (UNEP/MC/COP.5/INF/1/Rev.1) and document UNEP/MC/COP.5/INF/2, which gives an overview of information provided by the parties to the Minamata Convention, including information on the status of ratifications, parties' notifications, national reports and other pertinent information.

* UNEP/MC/COP.5/1.

Annex I

Fifth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Minamata Convention: annotated agenda

<i>Agenda</i>	<i>Title of the agenda item and brief description</i>	<i>Related documents and links to other relevant information</i>
Item 1	Opening of the meeting	
	<p>The fifth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Minamata Convention on Mercury is set to take place in Geneva from 30 October to 3 November 2023.</p> <p>The meeting will be opened on Monday, 30 October 2023 at 10 a.m.</p> <p>The President of the fifth meeting of the Conference of the Parties, Claudia-Sorina Dumitru (Romania), will preside over the meeting in accordance with the rules of procedure for the Conference of the Parties to the Minamata Convention.</p> <p>Opening and welcoming statements will be delivered.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provisional agenda (UNEP/MC/COP.5/1) • Annotated provisional agenda (UNEP/MC/COP.5/1/Add.1/Rev.1) • List of documents for the fifth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Minamata Convention on Mercury (UNEP/MC/COP.5/INF/1/Rev.1) • Information provided by the parties to the Minamata Convention on Mercury (UNEP/MC/COP.5/INF/2) • Tentative schedule of work for the fifth meeting (annex II to the present document) • Admission of observers (UNEP/MC/COP.5/INF/39) • Rules of procedure for the Conference of the Parties to the Minamata Convention
Item 2	Organizational matters	
(a)	<p><i>Adoption of the agenda</i></p> <p>The Conference of the Parties is expected to adopt the provisional agenda as set out in document UNEP/MC/COP.5/1.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provisional agenda (UNEP/MC/COP.5/1) • Annotated provisional agenda (UNEP/MC/COP.5/1/Add.1/Rev.1) • Rules of procedure for the Conference of the Parties to the Minamata Convention
(b)	<p><i>Organization of work</i></p> <p>Under this item, the President will outline the organization of work for the fifth meeting of the Conference of the Parties.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tentative schedule of work for the fifth meeting (annex II to the present document) • Rules of procedure for the Conference of the Parties to the Minamata Convention
(c)	<p><i>Election of officers for the intersessional period and the sixth meeting of the Conference of the Parties</i></p> <p>The Conference of the Parties is expected to elect a president and nine vice-presidents to serve as the Bureau for its sixth meeting.</p> <p>The Conference of the Parties is also expected to elect for two terms six new members of the Implementation and Compliance Committee to replace those members whose period of office is about to expire.</p> <p>Furthermore, the Conference is expected to confirm ten members of the Governing Board of the Specific International Programme to Support Capacity-Building and Technical Assistance, based on the nominations received from the regional groups.</p> <p>In the run-up to the meeting, parties are encouraged to engage in consultations in their regional groups and to submit their nominations for the officers of the meeting, members of the Implementation and Compliance Committee and members of the</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Election of officers (UNEP/MC/COP.5/1/Add.2) • Rules of procedure for the Conference of the Parties to the Minamata Convention • Rules of procedure for the Implementation and Compliance Committee • Rules of procedure of the Governing Board of the Specific International Programme

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	Governing Board to the secretariat prior to the meeting, and no later than the second day of the meeting, to enable their election.	
(d)	<p><i>Report on the credentials of representatives to the fifth meeting of the Conference of the Parties</i></p> <p>Under this item, the secretariat will outline the agreement reached by the Bureau of the fifth meeting of the Conference of the Parties on the credentials for the meeting. The officers of the meeting will examine the credentials and submit their report thereon at the meeting.</p> <p>Credentials are required for participation in the meeting for the head of delegation, alternate representatives and advisers, and should be issued either by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs, or, in the case of a regional economic integration organization, by the competent authority of that organization. Credentials are to be submitted to the Executive Secretary no later than 24 hours after the opening of the meeting. Information regarding any change in the composition of a delegation should be submitted using the same procedure.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provisional agenda (UNEP/MC/COP.5/1)
Item 3	Rules of procedure for the Conference of the Parties: consideration of rule 45	
	Under this item, the Conference of the Parties will be invited to consider the bracketed text in rule 45 of the rules of procedure adopted at its first meeting.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rules of procedure for the Conference of the Parties to the Minamata Convention on Mercury: consideration of rule 45 (UNEP/MC/COP.5/2)
Item 4	Matters for consideration or action by the Conference of the Parties	
(a)	<p><i>Mercury supply sources and trade</i></p> <p>Under this item, the secretariat will present information on the status of implementation of article 3 of the Convention based on the first full national reports submitted by parties pursuant to article 21 of the Convention and the work carried out by the Implementation and Compliance Committee pursuant to article 15 of the Convention. The Conference of the Parties may wish to consider possible action based on the secretariat's analysis of the first full national reports as well on relevant recommendations contained in the report of the Implementation and Compliance Committee to the Conference of the Parties. The Conference of the Parties may wish to consider a decision along the lines of the draft decision set out in the annex to document UNEP/MC/COP.5/3.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mercury supply sources and trade (UNEP/MC/COP.5/3) Report on the work of the Implementation and Compliance Committee of the Minamata Convention on Mercury, including recommendations (UNEP/MC/COP.5/14) National reporting (art. 21) (UNEP/MC/COP.5/INF/20)
(b)	<p><i>Mercury-added products and manufacturing processes in which mercury or mercury compounds are used: Amendment to annexes A and B, and consideration of feasibility of mercury-free alternatives for manufacturing processes listed in annex B</i></p> <p>Under this item, the secretariat will first present matters for consideration by the Conference of the Parties pursuant to decision MC-4/3, on the review and amendment of annexes A and B to the Convention. Those matters relate to the phase-out dates of mercury-added products, polyurethane production and a short report on the technical</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Matters for the consideration of the Conference of the Parties pursuant to decision MC-4/3 (UNEP/MC/COP.5/4) Proposals for amendments to annex A to the Minamata Convention on Mercury for consideration by the Conference of the Parties at its fifth meeting (UNEP/MC/COP.5/5) Proposal by the Africa region to amend part I and part II of annex A to the Minamata Convention on Mercury on cosmetics (UNEP/MC/COP.5/5/Add.1)

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	<p>and economic feasibility of mercury-free alternatives for the production of vinyl chloride monomer and sodium or potassium methylate or ethylate. The secretariat will also present a note by the secretariat introducing three proposals to amend annex A to the Convention submitted by Botswana and Burkina Faso on behalf of the Africa region, which are presented as addenda to document UNEP/MC/COP.5/5.</p> <p>The Conference of the Parties will be invited to consider the matters pursuant to paragraphs 5, 6, 7, and 8 of decision MC-4/3 and adopt decisions as appropriate. Furthermore, the Conference of the Parties also will be invited to consider the amendments proposed by Botswana and Burkina Faso on behalf of the Africa region and adopt decisions as appropriate.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Proposal by the Africa region to amend part I and part II of annex A to the Minamata Convention on Mercury on dental amalgam (UNEP/MC/COP.5/5/Add.2) • Proposal by the Africa region to amend part I of annex A to the Minamata Convention on Mercury, to eliminate fluorescent lighting (UNEP/MC/COP.5/5/Add.3) • Implementation of the 2020 deadline to phase out mercury-added products (UNEP/MC/COP.5/INF/3) • Information on the entry into force of amended annex A to the Minamata Convention on Mercury (UNEP/MC/COP.5/INF/4/Rev.1) • Submissions by parties and stakeholders and further information collected by the secretariat on annexes A and B to the Minamata Convention on Mercury (UNEP/MC/COP.5/INF/5)
(c)	<p><i>Artisanal and small-scale gold mining</i></p> <p>Under this item, the Conference of the Parties may wish to consider (a) information provided on notifications and submissions under article 7 of the Convention; (b) the requirement for parties that have developed and submitted their national action plans to regularly review their progress in meeting the obligations under article 7; and (c) progress made by the secretariat in compiling views on the needs and priorities of Indigenous peoples and local communities with regard to the use of mercury in artisanal and small-scale gold mining. The Conference of the Parties may wish to consider a decision on these matters along the lines of the draft decision set out in the annex to document UNEP/MC/COP.5/6.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Implementation of article 7 of the Minamata Convention on Mercury: artisanal and small-scale gold mining (UNEP/MC/COP.5/6) • Taking stock of national action plans relating to artisanal and small-scale gold mining: data, lessons learned and implementation (UNEP/MC/COP.5/INF/6) • Lessons learned from technology transfer activities in planetGOLD phase 1 projects (UNEP/MC/COP.5/INF/7) • Compilation of views of Indigenous peoples and local communities with regard to the use of mercury in artisanal and small-scale gold mining (UNEP/MC/COP.5/INF/8) • Monitoring of mercury and mercury compounds in and around artisanal and small-scale gold mining sites – technical background document (UNEP/MC/COP.5/INF/9)
(d)	<p><i>Emissions of mercury</i></p> <p>Under this item, the secretariat will present information on the implementation of article 8 of the Convention, on controlling and, where feasible, reducing emissions of mercury and mercury compounds to the atmosphere, as reported by parties pursuant to article 21 and described in national action plans submitted to the Conference of the Parties pursuant to paragraph 3 of article 8. The Conference of the Parties may wish to consider a decision along the lines of the draft decision set out in the annex to UNEP/MC/COP.5/8.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Implementation of article 8: emissions of mercury (UNEP/MC/COP.5/7)
(e)	<p><i>Releases of mercury</i></p> <p>Under this item, the secretariat will present the draft guidance on best available techniques and best environmental practices to control releases from relevant sources, developed by the group of technical experts on mercury releases, with a view to its adoption pursuant to paragraph 7 of article 9 of the Convention and decision MC-4/5. The Conference of the Parties will be invited to adopt a decision on this matter. A draft decision is set out in annex II to document UNEP/MC/COP.5/8.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Releases of mercury: adoption of guidance on best available techniques and best environmental practices to control releases of mercury from relevant sources (art. 9) (UNEP/MC/COP.5/8) • Best available techniques and best environmental practices to control releases from relevant sources (UNEP/MC/COP.5/INF/11)

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(f)	<p><i>Mercury waste: consideration of the relevant thresholds</i></p> <p>Under this item, the secretariat will present the work of the group of technical experts on mercury waste thresholds, as requested by the Conference of the Parties in decision MC-4/6. This includes a report of the group on threshold(s) for mercury wastes falling under sub-category 2 (c) of article 11 and a draft guidance document on test methods to be used for the tier-2 threshold for tailings from mining other than primary mercury mining. The Conference of the Parties may wish to consider a decision along the lines of the draft decision set out in annex II to document UNEP/MC/COP.5/9.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Establishment of mercury waste thresholds (art. 11) (UNEP/MC/COP.5/9) • Technical information for the work of the expert group on mercury waste thresholds (UNEP/MC/COP.5/INF/12) • Guidance document on test methods to be used for the tier-2 threshold for tailings from mining other than primary mercury mining (UNEP/MC/COP.5/INF/13)
(g) (i)	<p><i>Financial resources and mechanism: Global Environment Facility</i></p> <p>Under this item, the Conference of the Parties may wish to consider the information provided by the secretariat on the first component of the financial mechanism, namely the Global Environment Facility trust fund and the report of the Council of the Global Environment Facility to the Conference of the Parties.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Update on matters related to the Global Environment Facility (UNEP/MC/COP.5/10) • Executive summary of the report of the Council of the Global Environment Facility to the Conference of the Parties to the Minamata Convention on Mercury at its fifth meeting (UNEP/MC/COP.5/10/Add.1) • Report of the Council of the Global Environment Facility to the Conference of the Parties to the Minamata Convention on Mercury at its fifth meeting (UNEP/MC/COP.5/INF/14)
(g) (ii)	<p><i>Financial resources and mechanism: Specific International Programme to Support Capacity-Building and Technical Assistance</i></p> <p>Under this item, the parties may wish to consider the report on the second component of the financial mechanism, namely the Specific International Programme, including the work of the Governing Board since the fourth meeting of the Conference of the Parties; an overview of the implementation of projects funded in the first, second and third rounds of applications to the programme; the status of the Specific Trust Fund; and the results of the midterm evaluation of the Specific International Programme.</p> <p>The update of the Governing Board of the Specific International Programme is also provided to the parties for their consideration, including on the midterm evaluation and on the fourth round of applications to the Specific International Programme.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Overall report on the Specific International Programme to Support Capacity-Building and Technical Assistance (UNEP/MC/COP.5/11) • Governing Board of the Specific International Programme to Support Capacity-Building and Technical Assistance (UNEP/MC/COP.5/11/Add.1) • Governing Board of the Specific International Programme to Support Capacity-Building and Technical Assistance: meeting reports (UNEP/MC/COP.5/INF/15) • Midterm evaluation of the Specific International Programme to Support Capacity-Building and Technical Assistance (UNEP/MC/COP.5/INF/16) • Activities of the Special Programme to support institutional strengthening at the national level for implementation of the Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm conventions, the Minamata Convention and the Strategic Approach to International Chemicals Management (UNEP/MC/COP.5/INF/18)
(g) (iii)	<p><i>Financial resources and mechanism: review of the financial mechanism</i></p> <p>Pursuant to decision MC-4/7 of the Conference of the Parties at its fourth session on this item, the Conference of the Parties may wish to consider the report on the second review of the financial mechanism, covering the period August 2019–June 2022, and will be invited to consider a decision along the lines of the draft decision set out in annex I to document UNEP/MC/COP.5/12.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review of the financial mechanism (UNEP/MC/COP.5/12) • Report of the second review of the financial mechanism, covering the period August 2019–July 2022 (UNEP/MC/COP.5/INF/17)
(h)	<p><i>Capacity-building, technical assistance and technology transfer</i></p> <p>Under this item, the Conference of the Parties may wish to consider a process for undertaking its regular consideration, pursuant to article 14, of information, needs and challenges with respect to technology transfer, and of how capacity-building, technical</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Capacity-building, technical assistance and technology transfer (UNEP/MC/COP.5/13)

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(i)	<p>assistance and technology transfer could be further enhanced. The Conference of the Parties may wish to consider a decision on these matters along the lines of the draft decision set out in the annex to document UNEP/MC/COP.5/13.</p> <p><i>Implementation and Compliance Committee</i></p> <p>Under this item, the Chair of the Committee will present the report on the work of the Implementation and Compliance Committee, including recommendations. The focus of the Committee's work was the review of the first full national reports received pursuant to article 21 of the Convention. The Conference of the Parties may wish to take note of the report on the work of the Implementation and Compliance Committee and agree to consider the recommendations under other relevant agenda items, as appropriate.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Report on the work of the Implementation and Compliance Committee of the Minamata Convention on Mercury, including recommendations (UNEP/MC/COP.5/14) • Report on the work of the Implementation and Compliance Committee of the Minamata Convention on Mercury, including recommendations (UNEP/MC/COP.5/14) • Reports of the fourth and fifth meetings of the Implementation and Compliance Committee of the Minamata Convention on Mercury (UNEP/MC/COP.5/INF/19) • Webpage on the Implementation and Compliance Committee
(j)	<p><i>National reporting</i></p> <p>Under this item, the Conference of the Parties may wish to (a) review the secretariat's periodic report to the Conference of the Parties prepared pursuant to paragraph 2 (e) of article 24; (b) consider the proposed amendments to the reporting format arising from decision MC-4/3, decision MC-4/8 and the recommendations of the Implementation and Compliance Committee to amend the reporting format; (c) consider the draft reporting guidance, pursuant to decision MC-4/8; (d) be informed of planned and implemented activities by the secretariat to support parties in the preparation and submission of their second short reports; and (e) consider a draft decision on these matters. The Conference of the Parties may wish to consider a decision on these matters along the lines of the draft decision set out in the annex to document UNEP/MC/COP.5/15.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • National reporting (art. 21) (UNEP/MC/COP.5/15) • Proposed amendments to the reporting format (UNEP/MC/COP.5/15/Add.1) • Draft guidance for completing the national reporting format for the Minamata Convention on Mercury (UNEP/MC/COP.5/15/Add.2) • National reporting (art. 21): report on the first full national reports under article 21 of the Minamata Convention on Mercury (UNEP/MC/COP.5/INF/20) • National reporting (art. 21): summary tables of the responses received for the first full reporting period (16 August 2017–31 December 2020) (UNEP/MC/COP.5/INF/21) • Report on the work of the Implementation and Compliance Committee of the Minamata Convention on Mercury, including recommendations (UNEP/MC/COP.5/14) • Webpage on national reporting
(k)	<p><i>Effectiveness evaluation</i></p> <p>Under this item, the Conference of the Parties may wish to (a) take note of the intersessional work undertaken by the secretariat to refine the list of indicators to support the first effectiveness evaluation of the Convention and consider adopting the proposed 36 indicators; and (b) take note of the progress made by the Open-ended Scientific Group as reported to the fifth meeting of the Conference of the Parties.</p> <p>Furthermore, the Conference of the Parties may wish to continue its consideration of two matters, namely (a) the timeline of the first effectiveness evaluation, and specifically when to conclude the evaluation; and (b) the membership of the Effectiveness Evaluation Group, for which it agreed on the terms of reference at its fourth meeting.</p> <p>The Conference of the Parties may wish to consider a decision along the lines of the draft decision set out in annex II to document UNEP/MC/COP.5/16.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • First effectiveness evaluation of the Minamata Convention on Mercury (art. 22) (UNEP/MC/COP.5/16) • Indicators (UNEP/MC/COP.5/16/Add.1) • Progress report of the Open-ended Scientific Group (UNEP/MC/COP.5/16/Add.2) • Draft report on trade, supply and demand of mercury (UNEP/MC/COP.5/INF/22) • Article 21 synthesis report (UNEP/MC/COP.5/INF/23) • Draft plans developed by the Open-ended Scientific Group to support the first effectiveness evaluation of the Minamata Convention on Mercury (UNEP/MC/COP.5/INF/24) • List of available documents and reports for the first effectiveness evaluation (art. 22) (UNEP/MC/COP.5/INF/25) • Update from the Open-ended Scientific Group on its work during the intersessional period (UNEP/MC/COP.5/INF/37)

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(l)	<p><i>Financial rules</i></p> <p>Under this item, the secretariat will present the financial rules for the Conference of the Parties to the Minamata Convention on Mercury, its subsidiary bodies and the secretariat of the Convention for the parties to agree on and remove the bracketed text.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Financial rules for the Conference of the Parties to the Minamata Convention on Mercury, its subsidiary bodies and the secretariat of the Convention (UNEP/MC/COP.5/17)
(m)	<p><i>Gender</i></p> <p>Pursuant to decision MC-4/10 on gender mainstreaming, the secretariat will present the gender action plan developed by the secretariat and possible activities to be carried out by the secretariat and parties to advance the gender action plan during the biennium 2024–2025 for consideration by the Conference of the Parties. The Conference of the Parties may wish to consider a decision along the lines of the draft decision set out in annex II to document UNEP/MC/COP.5/18.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mainstreaming gender (UNEP/MC/COP.5/18) Gender action plan (UNEP/MC/COP.5/INF/10)
(n)	<p><i>Knowledge management</i></p> <p>The secretariat will present a digital strategy to guide the work of the secretariat on knowledge management and digitalization for consideration by the Conference of the Parties. The Conference of the Parties may wish to consider a decision on this matter along the lines of the draft decision set out in annex II to document UNEP/MC/COP.5/19.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Knowledge management and digitalization to support Minamata Convention parties (UNEP/MC/COP.5/19) Progress report on knowledge management and digitalization (UNEP/MC/COP.5/INF/26)
(o)	<p><i>Mercury and the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework</i></p> <p>Under this agenda item, the secretariat will present a note summarizing the intersessional work pertaining to how the implementation of the Convention may contribute to the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework.</p> <p>The Conference of the Parties may wish to adopt a decision on the matter. The Conference of the Parties may wish to consider a decision along the lines of the draft decision set out in annex II to document UNEP/MC/COP.5/18.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Contribution of the Minamata Convention to the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework (UNEP/MC/COP.5/20) Analysis of the mutually supportive implementation of the Minamata Convention and the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework (UNEP/MC/COP.5/INF/27)
Item 5	International cooperation and coordination	
	<p>Under this item, the secretariat will present a note providing information on activities undertaken by the secretariat to cooperate and coordinate with other entities. Furthermore, the secretariat will present a note on cooperation and coordination between the secretariats of the Minamata Convention on Mercury and of the Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm conventions.</p> <p>Information will be provided by various organizations and bodies regarding activities carried out under their respective mandates which are relevant to the Convention.</p> <p>The Conference of the Parties may wish to adopt a decision on enhanced international cooperation and coordination along the lines of the draft decision set out in the annex to document UNEP/MC/COP.5/21. The Conference of the Parties may also wish to adopt a decision on cooperation and coordination between the secretariats of the Minamata Convention on Mercury and of the Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> International cooperation and coordination (UNEP/MC/COP.5/21) Cooperation and coordination between the secretariats of the Minamata Convention on Mercury and of the Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm conventions (UNEP/MC/COP.5/22) Cooperation and coordination between the secretariats of the Minamata Convention on Mercury and of the Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm conventions (UNEP/MC/COP.5/INF/28) Report of the Executive Director of the United Nations Environment Programme to the fifth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Minamata Convention on Mercury (UNEP/MC/COP.5/INF/29) Report of the World Health Organization and the International Labour Organization (UNEP/MC/COP.5/INF/30/Rev.1)

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	conventions along the lines of the draft decision set out in document UNEP/MC/COP.5/22.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Report on the mercury-related activities of relevant international bodies (UNEP/MC/COP.5/INF/31/Rev.1) • Report on activities undertaken within the Global Mercury Partnership (UNEP/MC/COP.5/INF/32) • Update on the Strategic Approach to International Chemicals Management and the intersessional process considering the Strategic Approach and the sound management of chemicals and waste beyond 2020 (UNEP/MC/COP.5/INF/33)
Item 6	Programme of work and budget	
	<p>The Conference of the Parties will be invited to consider the draft programme of work and budget for the biennium 2024–2025 prepared by the secretariat and adopt a decision along the lines of the draft decision set out in annex I to document UNEP/MC/COP.5/23.</p> <p>The Conference of the Parties may wish to review the two scenarios for the programme of work and budget presented by the secretariat and the other information provided in that regard and adopt a decision on the programme of work and budget for the secretariat for the biennium 2024–2025.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Programme of work and budget: proposed operational budgets for the two funding scenarios for the biennium 2024–2025 (UNEP/MC/COP.5/23) • Progress in the implementation of the programme of work for the biennium 2022–2023 (UNEP/MC/COP.5/INF/34) • Information on financial matters (UNEP/MC/COP.5/INF/35) • Programme of work and budget for the biennium 2024–2025: budget activity fact sheets (UNEP/MC/COP.5/INF/36)
Item 7	Venue and dates of the sixth meeting of the Conference of the Parties	
	The Conference of the Parties will be invited to decide on the venue and dates of its sixth meeting.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Venue and dates of the sixth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Minamata Convention on Mercury (UNEP/MC/COP.5/24)
Item 8	Other matters	
	The Conference of the Parties may wish to consider other matters raised and accepted for discussion, in accordance with rule 13 of the rules of procedure for the Conference of the Parties, as contained in the annex to decision MC-1/1.	
Item 9	Adoption of the report	
	The Conference of the Parties will be invited to consider and adopt the report on the work of its fifth meeting, on the basis of the draft report prepared by the Rapporteur.	
Item 10	Closure of the meeting	
	The meeting is expected to be closed by 6 p.m. on Friday, 3 November 2023.	

Annex II

Tentative schedule of work for the fifth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Minamata Convention on Mercury

The present annex includes a tentative schedule of work for the fifth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Minamata Convention on Mercury on Mercury.

The proposed schedule is designed to ensure that no more than one group at a time convenes in parallel with a plenary session, that a maximum of two groups convene in parallel when there is no plenary session, and that draft decisions are finalized in time for the group on the programme of work and budget to consider them.

The contact groups that may be established during the fifth meeting of the Conference of the Parties have been tentatively identified as follows:

- Group on the programme of work and budget
- Group on amendment to annexes A and B to the Minamata Convention
- Group on mercury waste thresholds.

Groups may also be established for other items on the agenda of the meeting.

Decisions concerning the number and nature of the groups set up and the organization of their work will be made by the Conference of the Parties, based on proposals made by the President of the Conference of the Parties, in consultation with the Bureau throughout the meeting, as progress is made on each issue.

Tentative schedule of work for the fifth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Minamata Convention on Mercury

	<i>Monday, 30 October 2023</i>	<i>Tuesday, 31 October 2023</i>	<i>Wednesday, 1 November 2023</i>	<i>Thursday, 2 November 2023</i>	<i>Friday, 3 November 2023</i>
10 a.m.–1p.m.	Item 1: Opening of the meeting	<i>Reports of contact groups</i>	<i>Consideration of outcomes and reports of contact groups</i>	<i>Consideration of outcomes, adoption of report on credentials and adoption of decisions</i>	<i>Consideration of remaining outcomes and adoption of remaining decisions</i>
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	(a) Adoption of the agenda	(j) National reporting	(m) Gender		Adoption of the budget decision
	(b) Organization of work	(i) Implementation and Compliance Committee	(n) Knowledge management		
	(c) Election of officers for the intersessional period and the sixth meeting of the Conference of the Parties	(a) Mercury supply sources and trade	(o) Mercury and Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework		Item 7: Venue and dates of the sixth meeting of the Conference of the Parties
	(d) Report on the credentials of representatives to the fifth meeting of the Conference of the Parties	Item 6: Programme of work and budget	Item 5: International cooperation and coordination		Item 8: Other matters
	Item 3: Rules of procedure for the Conference of the Parties: consideration of rule 45				
	Item 4: Matters for consideration or action by the Conference of the Parties				
	(l) Financial rules				
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	(b) Mercury-added products and manufacturing processes in which mercury or mercury compounds are used: amendment to annexes A and B, and consideration of the feasibility of mercury-free alternatives for manufacturing processes listed in annex B				

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1–3 p.m.	Break	Break	Break	Break	Break
3–6 p.m. Afternoon session	<p>Item 4: Matters for consideration or action by the Conference of the Parties</p> <p>(g) Financial resources and mechanism</p> <p>(i) Global Environment Facility</p> <p>(ii) Specific International Programme to Support Capacity-Building and Technical Assistance</p> <p>(iii) Review of the financial mechanism</p> <p>(h) Capacity-building, technical assistance and technology transfer</p> <p>(c) Artisanal and small-scale gold mining</p>	<p>Item 4: Matters for consideration or action by the Conference of the Parties</p> <p>(d) Emissions of mercury</p> <p>(e) Releases of mercury</p> <p>(f) Mercury waste: consideration of the relevant thresholds</p> <p>(k) Effectiveness evaluation</p>	<p><i>Consideration of outcomes</i></p> <p>Item 4: Matters for consideration or action by the Conference of the Parties (cont.)</p>	<p><i>Consideration of outcomes and adoption of remaining decisions</i></p>	<p>Item 9: Adoption of the report of the meeting</p> <p>Item 10: Closure of the meeting</p>