## Annex II

# Proposed format for the notification of specific exemptions for mercury-added products and processes which use mercury as listed in Annex A and Annex B

| NOTIFICATION OF SPECIFIC EXEMPTION(S) FOR MERCURY-ADDED PRODUCTS AND PROCESSES WHICH USE MERCURY OR MERCURY COMPOUNDS | | | |
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| PARTY (COUNTRY/REGIONAL ECONOMIC INTEGRATION ORGANIZATION NAME): | | | |
| The Secretariat of the Minamata Convention is hereby notified of the registration of the following specific exemption(s) pursuant to paragraph 1 of article 6 of the Convention. | | | |
| **Mercury added products** | | | **Duration of exemption (if less than five years past the phase-out date)** |
| Batteries, except for button zinc silver oxide batteries with a mercury content < 2% and button zinc air batteries with a mercury content < 2% | Manufacture ☐<br>Import ■<br>Export ☐ | Subcategory for which exemption is being registered, if any: | ------ |
| Switches and relays, except very high accuracy capacitance and loss measurement bridges and high-frequency radio frequency switches and relays in monitoring and control instruments with a maximum mercury content of 20 mg per bridge, switch or relay | Manufacture■<br>Import ■<br>Export ■ | Subcategory for which exemption is being registered, if any: | 5 years |
| Compact fluorescent lamps (CFLs) for general lighting purposes that are ≤ 30 watts with a mercury content exceeding 5 mg per lamp burner | Manufacture■<br>Import ■<br>Export ■ | Subcategory for which exemption is being registered, if any: | 5 years |
| Linear fluorescent lamps (LFLs) for general lighting purposes:<br>(a) Triband phosphor < 60 watts with a mercury content exceeding 5 mg per lamp;<br>(b) Halophosphate phosphor ≤ 40 watts with a mercury content exceeding 10 mg per lamp | Manufacture ■<br>Import ■<br>Export ■ | Subcategory for which exemption is being registered, if any: | 5 years |
| High-pressure mercury vapour lamps (HPMV) for general lighting purposes | Manufacture■<br>Import ■<br>Export ■ | Subcategory for which exemption is being registered, if any: | 5 years |
| Mercury in cold cathode fluorescent lamps (CCFL) and external electrode fluorescent lamps (EEFL) for electronic displays:<br>(a) Short length (≤ 500 mm) with mercury content exceeding 3.5 mg per lamp<br>(b) Medium length (> 500 mm and ≤ 1,500 mm) with mercury content exceeding 5 mg per lamp<br>(c) Long length (> 1,500 mm) with mercury content exceeding 13 mg per lamp | Manufacture■<br>Import ■<br>Export ■ | Subcategory for which exemption is being registered, if any: | 5 years |

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| Cosmetics (with mercury content above 1ppm), including skin lightening soaps and creams, and not including eye area cosmetics where mercury is used as a preservative and no effective and safe substitute preservatives are available | Manufacture ☐<br>Import ☐<br>Export ☐ | Subcategory for which exemption is being registered, if any: | ----- |
| Pesticides, biocides and topical antiseptics | Manufacture ☐<br>Import ☐<br>Export ☐ | Subcategory for which exemption is being registered, if any: | ---- |
| The following non-electronic measuring devices except non-electronic measuring devices installed in large-scale equipment or those used for high-precision measurement, where no suitable mercury-free alternative is available:<br>(a) Barometers;<br>(b) Hygrometers;<br>(c) Manometers;<br>(d) Thermometers;<br>(e) Sphygmomanometers. | Manufacture ■<br>Import ☐<br>Export ■ | Subcategory for which exemption is being registered, if any: | 5 years |
| Reason(s) for specific exemption | *Attach document setting out reason for exemption to this form* | | |

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| **Manufacturing processes using mercury or mercury compounds set out in part I of Annex B** | | |
| Chlor-alkali production | Use ■ | 5 years |
| Acetaldehyde production in which mercury or mercury compounds are used as a catalyst | Use ☐ | |
| Reason(s) for specific exemption | *Attach document setting out reason for exemption to this form* | |
| Remarks | | |

| **THIS NOTIFICATION IS SUBMITTED BY:** | | | |
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| Institution/department | | | |
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| Telephone: | Fax: | E-mail address: | |
| Contact name | | Date: (*dd/mm/yyyy*) | |

| **PLEASE RETURN THE COMPLETED FORM TO:** | |
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| Secretariat of the Minamata Convention on Mercury<br>United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP)<br>International Environment House<br>11–13, chemin des Anémones, CH–1219 Châtelaine, Geneva, Switzerland | Fax: +41 22 797 3460<br>Email: mercury.chemicals@unep.org |

**Explanatory Statement on the Application for the Exemption of the production, Import and export of Mercury Containing Batteries**

Islamic Republic of Iran supports the phase out of mercury containing batteries, however, inventories have showed that the country imports and uses these products. Islamic Republic of Iran intend to develop applicable strategies in terms of environmental and health consideration as well as socio-economic aspects, to adopt alternatives and phase them out.
Therefore Islamic Republic of Iran requests exemption from import of these products to 2025. This application is made in anticipation of having a timely transition while developing phase out strategies with the ultimate goal of adopting mercury free alternatives. Islamic Republic of Iran will , pursuant to Article 6, paragraph 7, withdraw this exemption if that becomes possible prior to its expiration date.

**Explanatory Statement on the Application for the Exemption of the Import of Switches and relays**

Islamic Republic of Iran supports the phase out of switches and relays with mercury, however, inventories have showed that the country produce ,export ,imports and uses these products. Islamic Republic of Iran intend to develop applicable strategies in terms of environmental and health consideration as well as socio-economic aspects, to adopt alternatives and phase them out.
Therefore Islamic Republic of Iran requests exemption from produce ,export ,imports of these products to 2025. This application is made in anticipation of having a timely transition while developing phase out strategies with the ultimate goal of adopting mercury free alternatives. Islamic Republic of Iran will, pursuant to Article 6, paragraph 7, withdraw this exemption if that becomes possible prior to its expiration date.

**Explanatory Statement on the Application for the Exemption of the Import of Compact fluorescent lamps (CFLs)**

Islamic Republic of Iran supports the phase out of Compact fluorescent lamps (CFLs) with mercury, however, inventories have showed that the country produce ,export ,imports and uses these products. Islamic Republic of Iran intend to develop applicable strategies in terms of environmental and health consideration as well as socio-economic aspects, to adopt alternatives and phase them out.
Therefore Islamic Republic of Iran requests exemption from produce ,export ,imports of these products to 2025. This application is made in anticipation of having a timely transition while developing phase out strategies with the ultimate goal of adopting mercury free alternatives. Islamic Republic of Iran will, pursuant to Article 6, paragraph 7, withdraw this exemption if that becomes possible prior to its expiration date.

**Explanatory Statement on the Application for the Exemption of the Import of Linear Fluorescent lamps (LFLs)**

Islamic Republic of Iran supports the phase out of linear fluorescent lamps (LFLs) with mercury, however, inventories have showed that the country produce ,export ,imports and uses these products. Islamic Republic of Iran intend to develop applicable strategies in terms

of environmental and health consideration as well as socio-economic aspects, to adopt alternatives and phase them out.
Therefore Islamic Republic of Iran requests exemption from produce ,export ,imports of these products to 2025. This applications made in anticipation of having a timely transition while developing phase out strategies with the ultimate goal of adopting mercury free alternatives. Islamic Republic of Iran will ,pursuant to Article 6, paragraph 7, withdraw this exemption if that becomes possible prior to its expiration date.

**Explanatory Statement on the Application for the Exemption of the Import of High pressure mercury vapor lamps (HPMV)**

Islamic Republic of Iran supports the phase out of High pressure mercury vapor lamps (HPMV) , however, inventories have showed that the country produce ,export ,imports and uses these products. Islamic Republic of Iran intend to develop applicable strategies in terms of environmental and health consideration as well as socio-economic aspects, to adopt alternatives and phase them out.
Therefore Islamic Republic of Iran requests exemption from produce,export,imports of these products to 2025. This application is made in anticipation of having a timely transition while developing phase out strategies with the ultimate goal of adopting mercury free alternatives. Islamic Republic of Iran will, pursuant to Article 6, paragraph 7, withdraw this exemption if that becomes possible prior to its expiration date.

**Explanatory Statement on the Application for the Exemption of the Import of cold cathode fluorescent lamps and external electrode fluorescent lamps (CCFL and EEFL) with mercury**

Islamic Republic of Iran supports the phase out of cold cathode fluorescent lamps and external electrode fluorescent lamps (CCFL and EEFL) with mercury, however, inventories have showed that the country produce ,export ,imports and uses these products. Islamic Republic of Iran intend to develop applicable strategies in terms of environmental and health consideration as well as socio-economic aspects, to adopt alternatives and phase them out.
Therefore Islamic Republic of Iran requests exemption from produce ,export ,imports of these products to 2025. This application is made in anticipation of having a timely transition while developing phase out strategies with the ultimate goal of adopting mercury free alternatives. Islamic Republic of Iran will , pursuant to Article 6, paragraph 7, withdraw this exemption if that becomes possible prior to its expiration date.

**Explanatory Statement on the Application for the Exemption of the Import of Barometers , hygrometers, manometers, thermometers and sphygmomanometers**

Islamic Republic of Iran supports the phase out of barometers, hygrometers, manometers, thermometers and sphygmomanometers, however, inventories have showed that the country produce ,export and uses these products. Islamic Republic of Iran intend to develop applicable strategies in terms of environmental and health consideration as well as socio-economic aspects, to adopt alternatives and phase them out.
Therefore Islamic Republic of Iran requests exemption from produce and import of these products to 2025. This application is made in anticipation of having a timely transition while developing phase out strategies with the ultimate goal of adopting mercury free alternatives.

Islamic Republic of Iran will , pursuant to Article 6, paragraph 7, withdraw this exemption if that becomes possible prior to its expiration date.

**Manufacturing process in which mercury or mercury compounds are used**

With respect to chlor - alkali production (Article 5), the Islamic Republic of Iran has registered for an exemption from the phase – out date to cover existence facilities to 2030.