National Report Pursuant to Article 21 - 2023: Submission #90

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▶ SUBMISSION INFORMATION

▼ INFORMATION ON THE PARTY

1. Information on the party

Name of party
Republic of Moldova

Date on which its instrument of ratification, accession, approval or acceptance was deposited
20 June 2017

Date of entry into force of the Convention for the party
18 September 2017

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▼ ART. 3: MERCURY SUPPLY SOURCES AND TRADE

3.1. Does the party have any primary mercury mines that were operating within its territory at the date of entry into force of the Convention for the party?

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No

Additional information on this question if needed
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3.3. Has the party endeavoured to identify individual stocks of mercury or mercury compounds exceeding 50 metric tons and sources of mercury supply generating stocks exceeding 10 metric tons per year that are located within its territory?

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No

If the party answered No above, please explain.
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3.5. Has the party received consent, or relied on a general notification of consent, in accordance with article 3, including any required certification from importing non-parties, for all exports of mercury from the party's

territory in the reporting period?

- [ ] Yes, exports to parties
- [ ] Yes, exports to non-parties
- [x] No
- [ ] No, no export

Part E - Additional comments on this article

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▼ ART. 11: MERCURY WASTES

11.2. Are there facilities for final disposal of waste consisting of mercury or mercury compounds in the party's territory?

- ( ) Yes
- (•) No
- ( ) Do not know (please explain)

Kindly attach any additional relevant information
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Part E - Additional comments on this article

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▼ COMMENTS

Part C: Comments regarding possible challenges in meeting the objectives of the Convention (Art. 21, para. 1)

To date, Moldova has undertaken important efforts to facilitate the Minamata Convention implementation, such as conducting mercury release inventories from main sources, adopted the new Waste Law nr 209 from 29 July 2016, that specifically incorporates the Article 58 regarding mercury waste, adopted WEEE regulation nr 212 from 07 March 2018, that introduces EPR principle for the major EEE products, conducted consultations with the national stakeholders on mercury management perspectives on the country. the Chemicals Law 277/2018 . The Art. 17 restricts and prohibits place on market of several mercury containing products.
Yet, an important step in post-ratification process, is the need to support on further building up institutional, technical and additional regulatory capacity of the country consistent with the Convention's provision. As such, knowledge and good practice on sound life cycle management of mercury and mercury waste are missing at country level, particularly in relation to storage and treatment of mercury containing products and waste. In additional there aren't policies and incentives in place to support faster transition to mercury-free / low mercury alternatives, mainly due to limited national data on products of concern and cost-benefit analysis of those. Also, the risk of exposure, particularly domestic or vocational hasn't been fully assessed, thus this is an obstacle towards formulation of the beneficiary targeted communication strategy.

▼ SUPPLEMENTAL - ADDITIONAL COMMENTS

Supplemental: Part D: Comments regarding the reporting format and possible improvements, if any

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