2023 SHORT REPORTS OF THE MINAMATA CONVENTION ON MERCURY

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REPORTING PERIOD:
1 January 2021 to 31 December 2022

▼ INFORMATION ON THE PARTY

1. Information on the party

Name of party
Gabon

Date on which its instrument of ratification, accession, approval or acceptance was deposited
24 September 2014

Date of entry into force of the Convention for the party
16 August 2017

2. Information on the national focal point

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Focal Point is submitting the national report

- ○ Information is submitted by the national focal point
- ◉ Information is submitted by another contact officer

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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

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*If the party answered Yes to Question 3 above:

i. Please attach the results of your endeavor or indicate where it is available on the internet, unless unchanged from a previous reporting round.
Gabon has undertaken to evaluate any source of mercury within the territory. This information is included in the Mercury Initial Assessment. It appears from this study that the source category that most contributes to mercury releases into air, water and soil is made up of consumer goods containing mercury, with 4838 kg of mercury per year. So, there is no individual stock of mercury of more than 10 metric tons per year.

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ii. Supplemental: Please provide any related information, for example on the use or disposal of mercury from such stocks and sources.
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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
- [ ] No
- [x] 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)

The main challenges are :
- the availability of data (little existing data or when they exist they are difficult to access) ;
- the lack of collaboration between administrations
- and the lack of funding for data collection and reporting.

▼ SUPPLEMENTAL – ADDITIONAL COMMENTS

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

The report format should address topics such as everyday consumer goods containing mercury and mercury waste management.