MINISTERIO
DE
RELACIONES EXTERIORES
Managua, Nicaragua

Managua, 6 de Julio de 2026
MRE/DM/AyA/718/7/26

Secretaría del Convenio de Minamata
sobre el Mercurio, Programa de las
Naciones Unidas para el Medio Ambiente (PNUMA)

Estimados Señores:

El Gobierno de Reconciliación y Unidad Nacional les saluda en seguimiento a la actualización del Punto Focal Nacional por la República de Nicaragua ante el Convenio de Minamata sobre el Mercurio, Programa de las Naciones Unidas para el Medio Ambiente (PNUMA).

Al respecto, el Gobierno de la República de Nicaragua ha decidido la designación de una representante de nuestro Pueblo y Gobierno en esta importante tarea, siendo la siguiente funcionaria:

DESIGNADA COMO PUNTO FOCAL:

- **Compañera Petrona Gago Sanders**
  Directora de Seguridad Química del
  Ministerio del Ambiente y de los Recursos
  Naturales (MARENA)

Saludos en consideración y estima.



Valdrack Jaentschke
Ministro del Ministerio de Relaciones Exteriores
República de Nicaragua

Minister's Office
Managua, Tuesday July 14, 2026
Ref.: DM-JAGR/060/07/26

The Executive Secretary
Secretariat of the Minamata Convention on Mercury
United Nations Environment Programme
Postal address: Avenue de la Paix 8-14, 1211 Geneva 10, Switzerland
E-mail: mea-minamatasecretariat@un.org

Subject: Designation of the National Focal Point to the Minamata Convention on Mercury for Nicaragua.

Dear Sir/Madam,

Nicaragua hereby notifies the Secretariat of the Minamata Convention on Mercury that it has designated, in accordance with Article 17, paragraph 4 of the Minamata Convention on Mercury, **Ms. Petrona Haydalina Gago Sanders, Director of Chemical Safety of the Ministry of Environment and Natural Resources (MARENA)** to act as National Focal Point for the exchange of information under the Convention.

You will find attached to the present letter the completed designation form pursuant to her nomination.

Yours faithfully,

Javier Gutiérrez
Minister
Ministry of the Environment and Natural Resources
Republic of Nicaragua

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MINAMATA CONVENTION ON MERCURY

FORM AND MODEL LETTER FOR THE DESIGNATION OF THE NATIONAL FOCAL POINT FOR THE EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION UNDER THE MINAMATA CONVENTION ON MERCURY (ARTICLE 17, PARAGRAPH 4)

The Minamata Convention on Mercury requires, under its article 17, paragraph 4, that each Party designates a National Focal Point for the exchange of information under the Convention, including with regard to the consent of importing Parties under Article 3.

Non-Parties may also designate such National Focal Points, in particular to facilitate the implementation of the Convention's obligations on trade with non-Parties pursuant to Article 3.

States or regional economic integration organizations are invited to use the form below to designate their National Focal Point (*see Annex I*). This form should be completed and returned under cover of the official nomination letter from an entity duly authorized to communicate such information to the Secretariat of the Minamata Convention on Mercury, i.e. the Government official contact point to the UN Environment Programme, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs or the Permanent Mission to the UN in Geneva or to the UN Environment Programme (*see model letter of nomination in Annex II*) to the attention of:

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The information submitted to the Secretariat regarding the designated National Focal Point will be made available on the website of the Convention at www.mercuryconvention.org.

Kindly note that self-nominations will not be considered.

For further information on the designation process, please do not hesitate to contact the Secretariat, by e-mail at mea-minamatasecretariat@un.org.

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ANNEX I - FORM FOR THE DESIGNATION OF THE NATIONAL FOCAL POINT UNDER THE MINAMATA CONVENTION ON MERCURY

STATE/ORGANIZATION:	NICARAGUA

Please tick as appropriate:

☐ **First-time** nomination
☒ **Replacement** of current National Focal Point (s) *(indicate name(s))*: .....
☐ **Additional** nomination to current National Focal Point (s) *(indicate name(s))*: .....

NATIONAL FOCAL POINT:

MR. ☐	**MS.** ☒	**FIRST NAME:**	PETRONA HAYDALINA	**LAST NAME:**	GAGO SANDERS
FUNCTIONAL TITLE:			DIRECTOR OF CHEMICAL SAFETY		
SECTION/DEPARTMENT:			GENERAL DIRECTORATE FOR ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY		
ORGANIZATION/INSTITUTION:			MINISTRY OF THE ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES (MARENA) OF NICARAGUA		
ADDRESS:			KM 12.5 CARRETERA NORTE, FRENTE A CORPORACIÓN ZONA FRANCA LAS MERCEDES		
POST CODE:	.....	**CITY:**	MANAGUA	**COUNTRY:**	NICARAGUA
TELEPHONE *(include country and city code)*:		**Fax** *(include country and city code)*:		**E-MAIL ADDRESS:**	
+(505) 88313240		.....		pgago@marena.gob.ni	
NOTE:	.....				

THIS NOTIFICATION HAS BEEN SUBMITTED BY:

MR. ☒	**MS.** ☐	**FIRST NAME:**	JAVIER	**LAST NAME:**	GUTIÉRREZ
FUNCTIONAL TITLE:			MINISTER		
SECTION/DEPARTMENT:			MINISTRY OF THE ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES (MARENA) OF NICARAGUA		
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DATE AND SIGNATURE:

14-07-2026

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