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Name of the party

Q1 INFORMATION ON THE PARTY

Q2 Date on which its instrument of ratification, accession, Date 07/04/2017

Canada

Q2 Date on which its instrument of ratification, accession, Date 07/04/20 approval or acceptance was deposited

Q3 Date of entry into force of the Convention for the party Date 16/08/2017

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${\bf Q5}$ INFORMATION ABOUT THE CONTACT OFFICER SUBMITTING THE REPORTING FORMAT IF DIFFERENT FROM THE ABOVE

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Q6 DATE THE REPORT WAS SUBMITTED	Date 07/01/2020
Page 3: PART B Q7 1. Does the party have any primary mines that were operating within its territory at the date of entry into force of the Convention for the party? (Para. 3.) Q8 c. If yes, please indicate Total amount mined metric tons per year	No -
Q9 Additional information on this question if needed	-
Q10 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? (Para. 5.)	Yes
Q11 If the party answered Yes to Question 3 above: i. Please attach the results of your endeavour or indicate where it is available on the internet, unless unchanged from a previous reporting round. ANNEX-Results of Canada's endeavour to identify mercury stocks.docx (16.2KB)	
Q12 ii. Supplemental: Please provide any related information, for example on the use or disposal of mercury from such stock and sources.	-

Q13 5. Has the party received consent, or relied on a No general notification of consent, in accordance with article 3. including any required certification from importing nonparties, for all exports of mercury from the party's territory in the reporting period? (Para. 6, para. 7.) **Q14** If yes, a. and the party has submitted copies of the consent forms to the secretariat, then no further information is needed. If the party has not previously provided such copies, it is recommended that it do so. Otherwise, please provide other suitable information showing that the relevant requirements of paragraph 6 of article 3 have been met. Supplemental: please provide information on the use of the exported mercury. Mercury shipments to Cuba took place with the re-export of mercury previously imported into Canada under Canada's general notification of consent. These re-exports were conducted by one company in Canada for use in water treatment facilities in Cuba. From August to December 2017, 50.27 tonnes of mercury were re-exported to Cuba and from January to December 2018, 91.03 tonnes of mercury were re-exported to Cuba. The exports to Cuba were in contravention of Canada's Export of Substances on the Export Control List Regulations. Canada has taken enforcement action against this company and will continue to monitor our trade database and conduct routine inspections of exports. Q15 Kindly attach all relevant information here ANNEX- Information on how Canada met the requirements of paragraph 6 of article 3.docx (13.6KB) Q16 b. If exports were based on a general notification in accordance with article 3, paragraph 7, please indicate, if available, the total amount exported and any relevant terms or conditions in the general notification related to use. Canada had no exports of mercury based on a general notification. Q17 Kindly attach any relevant information here Q18 Part E. As per agreed reporting format, Parties are invited to provide additional comments on this article in free text. Kindly use the box below.

Yes

Q19 2. Are there facilities for final disposal of waste

consisting of mercury or mercury compounds in the

party's territory?

Q20 If yes, if the information is available, how much waste consisting of mercury or mercury compounds has been subjected to final disposal under the reporting period? Please specify the method of the final disposal operation/operations.

Canada has identified two facilities for the final disposal of waste consisting of mercury or mercury compounds. At both facilities, waste undergoes physiochemical treatment by sulphur stabilization and is then placed in a specially engineered landfill. Waste consisting of mercury or mercury compounds totalled approximately 56.2 tonnes in 2017 and 56.4 tonnes in 2018.

These totals are based on Canada's national definition of waste consisting of mercury and mercury compounds as set out by domestic regulations. However, we were not able to report on the precise disposal methods used, as some information was not available for all facilities.

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Page 4: PART C and D	
Q23 Part C. Comments regarding possible challenges in meeting the objectives of the Convention (Art. 21, para. 1)	-
Q24 Part D. Comments regarding the reporting format and possible improvements, if any	-
Q25 Additional information to supplement that request may be attached	-