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▼ INFORMATION ON THE PARTY

1. Information on the party

Name of party
Côte d'Ivoire

Date on which its instrument of ratification, accession, approval or acceptance was deposited
1 October 2019

Date of entry into force of the Convention for the party
30 December 2019

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- ( ) Information is submitted through the national focal point by the contact officer

▼ 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 – primary mercury mining with available data
- ○ Yes – primary mercury mining with no available data
- ◉ No

3.2: Does the party have any primary mercury mines that are now in operation that were not in operation at the time of entry into force of the Convention for the party?

- ○ Yes – primary mercury mining with available data
- ○ Yes – primary mercury mining with no available data
- ◉ No

3.3: (A) Has the party endeavoured to identify individual stocks of mercury or mercury compounds exceeding 50 metric tons that are located within its territory?

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- ○ Yes – with new data* (also to be selected by parties reporting for the first time)
- ○ Yes – endeavoured and indicates same stocks as reported in the previous report
- ◉ No

If the party answered no to the question, please explain.
No inventory in this regard has been carried out.

3.3: (B) Has the party endeavoured to identify individual sources of mercury-supply-generating stocks exceeding 10 metric tons per year that are located within its territory?

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- ○ Yes – with new data* (also to be selected by parties reporting for the first time)
- ◉ Yes – endeavoured and indicates same stocks as reported in the previous report
- ○ No

3.4: Has the party determined that it has excess mercury available from the decommissioning of chlor-alkali facilities?

- ○ Yes
- ○ No – has determined it has no excess mercury
- ◉ No – has not made a determination

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 – no export took place
- ☑ No – consent was not given

If the party answered no – consent was not given, please provide information on the trade which was not in compliance with the Convention, the challenges met by the party and/or its needs in meeting the requirements of paragraphs 6 and 7 of article 3.

En Côte d'Ivoire, le commerce non conforme, y compris le trafic illicite de mercure et de produits contenant du mercure, est lié à des difficultés de contrôle et de traçabilité aux frontières ainsi qu'à une coordination encore limitée entre les services compétents. Le renforcement des capacités des douanes et des services techniques, ainsi que la mise en place de procédures nationales de consentement préalable, demeurent nécessaires pour satisfaire pleinement aux exigences de la Convention.

3.6: Has the party allowed the import of mercury from a non-party?

- (●) No
- ( ) Yes
- ( ) The importing party has relied on paragraph 7 of article 3

Part E - Additional comments on this article

L'utilisation du mercure est interdit dans l'agriculture. Cependant, malgré l'interdiction de l'utilisation du mercure dans le secteur de l'exploitation minière artisanale par le code de l'Environnement et le code Minier, ce métal est encore utilisé dans ce secteur. Ce produit rentre sur le territoire de façon illicite.

▼ ART. 4: MERCURY-ADDED PRODUCTS

4.1. Has the party taken any appropriate measures to not allow the manufacture, import or export of mercury-added products listed in Part I of Annex A of the Convention after the phase-out date specified for those products?

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Yes (implementing paragraph 2 of article 4)

If yes, please provide information on the measures.

La Côte d'Ivoire a pris des mesures pour empêcher la fabrication, l'importation et l'exportation de produits contenant du mercure notamment par la formation et de la sensibilisation des acteurs concernés, ainsi que par une meilleure coordination entre les services compétents.

If yes, has the party registered for an exemption pursuant to article 6?

- ( ) Yes
- (●) No

4.3: (A) Has the party taken two or more measures listed in subparagraphs (i) to (ix) of part II of annex A for the mercury-added products listed in part II of annex A in accordance with the provisions set out therein?

4.3:(A) Has the party taken two or more measures listed in subparagraphs (i) to (ix) of part II of annex A for the mercury-added products listed in part II of annex A in accordance with the provisions set out therein?

- ( ) Yes
- (●) No

If the party answered no to question 4.3(A) above, please explain

des textes réglementaires seront pris à cet effet

4.3: (B) If the amendment to annex A adopted in decision MC-4/3 has entered into force for the party, has the party (please check the appropriate box below) taken relevant measures:

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- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Not applicable

If the party answered yes please select from the bellow checkboxes

- [x] Excluded or not allowed, by taking measures as appropriate, the use of mercury in bulk form by dental practitioners
- [ ] Excluded or not allowed, by taking measures as appropriate, or recommended against, the use of dental amalgam for the dental treatment of deciduous teeth of patients under 15 years of age and of pregnant and breastfeeding women, except when such use is considered necessary by the dental practitioner based on the needs of the patient

If the party answered yes to either option above, please provide information on the measures.
- les campagnes de sensibilisation, un texte réglementaire est en cours

4.4: Has the party taken measures to prevent the incorporation into assembled products of mercury-added products whose manufacture, import and export are not allowed for it under article 4?

- ( ) Yes
- (●) No
- ( ) No - not applicable (do not have facilities assembling products using mercury-added products)

4.5: Has the party discouraged the manufacture and the distribution in commerce of mercury-added products not covered by any known use in accordance with article 4, paragraph 6?

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No - no action taken
- ( ) No - an assessment of the risks and benefits of the product demonstrates benefits to human health or the environment

If yes, please provide information on the measures.
par des campagnes de sensibilisation en démontrant les effets néfastes du mercure

Part E - Additional comments on this article

Il faut envisager faire l'inventaire de tous les produits contenant du mercure

▼ ART. 5: MANUFACTURING PROCESSES IN WHICH MERCURY OR MERCURY COMPOUNDS ARE USED

5.1: Are there facilities within the territory of the party that use mercury or mercury compounds for the processes listed in Annex B of the Minamata Convention in accordance with paragraph 5 of article 5 of the Convention?

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Do not know

If yes, please provide information on measures taken to address emissions and releases of mercury or mercury compounds from such facilities.
Selon le projet MIA , il existe du mercure provenant des installations. Mais à ce jour, pas de disposition pratique pour le traitement.

If available, please provide information on the number and type of facilities and the estimated annual amount of mercury or mercury compounds used in those facilities.
Nous n'avons pas le nombre. mais selon le projet MIA, la Production primaire de métaux est estimé à 17 120 Kg Hg/an.

Please provide information on how much mercury (in metric tons) is used in the processes listed in the two first entries of Part II of Annex B in the last year of the reporting period.
nous ne disposons pas de données

5.2: Are measures in place to not allow the use of mercury or mercury compounds in manufacturing processes listed in Part I of Annex B after the phase-out date specified in that Annex for the individual process?

CHLOR-ALKALI PRODUCTION

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No
- ○ Not applicable (do not have these facilities)

ACETALDEHYDE PRODUCTION IN WHICH MERCURY OR MERCURY COMPOUNDS ARE USED AS A CATALYST

- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ◉ Not applicable (do not have these facilities)

If no to either of the questions above, has the party registered for an exemption pursuant to article 6?

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No

5.3: Are measures in place to restrict the use of mercury or mercury compounds in the processes listed in Part II of Annex B in accordance with the provisions set out therein?

VINYL CHLORIDE MONOMER PRODUCTION

- ◉ Yes
- ○ No
- ○ Not applicable (do not have these facilities)

If yes, please provide information on these measures.
les textes en vigueur comme le code de l'environnement qui réglement ce secteur.

SODIUM OR POTASSIUM METHYLATE OR ETHYLATE

- ○ Yes
- ○ No

Not applicable (do not have these facilities)

PRODUCTION OF POLYURETHANE USING MERCURY-CONTAINING CATALYSTS

Yes

No

Not applicable (do not have these facilities)

5.4: Is there any use of mercury or mercury compounds in a facility using the manufacturing processes listed in Annex B that did not exist prior to the date of entry into force of the Convention for the party?

Yes

No

5.5: Has the party discouraged the development of any facility using any other manufacturing process in which mercury or mercury compounds are intentionally used that did not exist prior to the date of entry into force of the Convention?

Yes

No - no action taken

No - the party demonstrated to the Conference of the Parties the significant environmental and health benefits of the manufacturing process and that there are no technically and economically feasible mercury-free alternatives available providing such benefits.

Part E - Additional comments on this article

faire également l'inventaire de tous les procédés de fabricants utilisant du mercure

▼ ART. 7: ARTISANAL AND SMALL-SCALE GOLD MINING

7.1: Have steps been taken to reduce, and where feasible eliminate, the use of mercury and mercury compounds in, and the emissions and releases to the environment of mercury from, artisanal and small-scale gold mining and processing subject to article 7 within your territory?

Yes

No

There is no artisanal and small-scale gold mining and processing subject to article 7 in which mercury amalgamation is used in the territory

If yes, please provide information on the steps.

This is possible through the planetGOLD project
- grouping the population into cooperatives
- training and informing these cooperatives
- raising public awareness about the dangers associated with mercury use
- demonstrating mercury-free technologies

7.2: Has the party determined, and notified the secretariat, that artisanal and small-scale gold mining and processing within its territory is more than insignificant?

Yes

No

7.3: Has the party developed and implemented a national action plan and submitted it to the secretariat?

Yes

No

In progress

7.4: Attach your most recent review that must be completed under paragraph 3 (c) of article 7, unless it is not yet due

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7.5: Supplemental: Has the party cooperated with other countries or relevant intergovernmental organizations or other entities to achieve the objective of this article?

Yes

No

Please provide information
NGOs like CASE and IMPACT have been working in this area for years and are helping the Government

Please provide information
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Part E - Additional comments on this article

The use of mercury in small-scale artisanal gold mining remains a major challenge for Côte d'Ivoire

▼ ART. 8: EMISSIONS

8.1: Identify any Annex D source categories for which there are new sources of emissions of mercury or mercury compounds as defined in paragraph 2 (c) of article 8.

For each of those source categories describe the measures in place, including the effectiveness of such measures, to implement the requirements of paragraph 4 of article 8.

Coal-fired power plants

Coal-fired power plants
Implementation of regulatory texts

Coal-fired industrial boilers

Coal-fired industrial boilers
Implementation of regulatory texts

Smelting and roasting processes used in the production of non-ferrous metals

Smelting and roasting processes used in the production of non-ferrous metals
Implementation of regulatory texts

Waste incineration facilities

Waste incineration facilities
Implementation of regulatory texts

Cement clinker production facilities

Cement clinker production facilities
Implementation of regulatory texts

Has the party required the use of best available techniques or best environmental practices (BAT/BEP) to control and where feasible reduce emissions for new sources no later than 5 years after the date of entry into force of the Convention for the party?

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No (please explain)

If Yes, please explain

Côte d'Ivoire has mandated the use of best available techniques and best environmental practices (BAT/MEP) to control and, where possible, reduce emissions from new sources. These requirements are integrated into the monitoring and awareness-raising activities of the facilities concerned.

8.2: Identify any Annex D source categories for which there are existing sources of emissions of mercury or mercury compounds as defined in paragraph 2 (e) of article 8.

For each of those source categories, select and provide details on the measures implemented under paragraph 5 of article 8 and explain the progress that these applied measures have achieved in reducing emissions over time in your territory:

▼ **COAL-FIRED POWER PLANTS**

- [ ] A quantified goal for controlling and, where feasible, reducing emissions from relevant sources
- [ ] Emission limit values for controlling and, where feasible, reducing emissions from relevant sources
- [ ] Use of BAT/BEP to control emissions from relevant sources
- [ ] Multi-pollutant control strategy that would deliver co-benefits for control of mercury emissions
- [ ] Alternative measures to reduce emissions from relevant sources

Measures
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Progress
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▼ **COAL-FIRED INDUSTRIAL BOILERS**

- [ ] A quantified goal for controlling and, where feasible, reducing emissions from relevant sources
- [ ] Emission limit values for controlling and, where feasible, reducing emissions from relevant sources
- [ ] Use of BAT/BEP to control emissions from relevant sources
- [ ] Multi-pollutant control strategy that would deliver co-benefits for control of mercury emissions
- [ ] Alternative measures to reduce emissions from relevant sources

Measures
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Progress
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▼ SMELTING AND ROASTING PROCESSES USED IN THE PRODUCTION OF NON-FERROUS METALS

- [ ] A quantified goal for controlling and, where feasible, reducing emissions from relevant sources
- [ ] Emission limit values for controlling and, where feasible, reducing emissions from relevant sources
- [ ] Use of BAT/BEP to control emissions from relevant sources
- [ ] Multi-pollutant control strategy that would deliver co-benefits for control of mercury emissions
- [ ] Alternative measures to reduce emissions from relevant sources

Measures
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▼ WASTE INCINERATION FACILITIES

- [ ] A quantified goal for controlling and, where feasible, reducing emissions from relevant sources
- [ ] Emission limit values for controlling and, where feasible, reducing emissions from relevant sources
- [ ] Use of BAT/BEP to control emissions from relevant sources
- [ ] Multi-pollutant control strategy that would deliver co-benefits for control of mercury emissions
- [ ] Alternative measures to reduce emissions from relevant sources

Measures
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▼ CEMENT CLINKER PRODUCTION FACILITIES

- [ ] A quantified goal for controlling and, where feasible, reducing emissions from relevant sources
- [ ] Emission limit values for controlling and, where feasible, reducing emissions from relevant sources
- [ ] Use of BAT/BEP to control emissions from relevant sources
- [ ] Multi-pollutant control strategy that would deliver co-benefits for control of mercury emissions
- [ ] Alternative measures to reduce emissions from relevant sources

Measures
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Progress

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Have the measures for existing sources under paragraph 5 of article 8 been implemented no later than 10 years after the date of entry into force of the Convention for the party?

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No

8.3: Has the party prepared an inventory of emissions from relevant sources within 5 years of entry into force of the Convention for it?

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Have not been a party for 5 years

If yes, when was the inventory last updated?
30 June 2021

Please indicate where this inventory is available
no stock identified

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8.4: Has the party chosen to establish criteria to identify relevant sources covered within a source category?

- ( ) Yes
- (●) No

8.5: Has the party chosen to prepare a national plan setting out the measures to be taken to control emissions from relevant sources and its expected targets, goals and outcomes?

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No

If yes, has the party submitted its national plan to the Conference of the Parties under this article no later than 4 years after the date of entry into force of the Convention for the party?

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No

Part E - Additional comments on this article

Mercury emissions are also a challenge

▼ ART. 9: RELEASES

9.1: Are there, within the party's territory, relevant sources of releases as defined in paragraph 2 (b) of article 9?

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

Please indicate the measures taken to address releases from relevant sources and the effectiveness of those measures.

Currently, no measures have been taken to manage the leaks. However, awareness campaigns about the harmful effects of mercury are being organized.

9.2: Has the party established an inventory of releases from relevant sources within 5 years of entry into force of the convention for it?

- (●) Yes
- ( ) Relevant sources do not exist in the territory
- ( ) Have not been a party for 5 years
- ( ) No (please explain)

When was the inventory last updated?
6 November 2017

Please indicate where this inventory is available.
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Please explain
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Part E – Additional comments on this article

The inventories were carried out as part of the MIA project.

▼ ART. 10: ENVIRONMENTALLY SOUND INTERIM STORAGE OF MERCURY, OTHER THAN WASTE MERCURY

10.1: Has the party taken measures to ensure that the interim storage of non-waste mercury and mercury compounds intended for a use allowed to a party under the Convention is undertaken in an environmentally sound manner?

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

If no, please explain
The inventories did not reveal any stock.

Part E – Additional comments on this article

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▼ ART. 11: MERCURY WASTES

11.1: Have measures outlined in article 11, paragraph 3, been implemented for the party's mercury waste?

- ( ) Yes
- (●) No

If no, please explain
no detection of waste containing mercury

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)

If the party answered yes to any measures above, please select from the following

Yes - there are facilities in the party's territory

Yes - there are facilities outside the party's territory accessible to the party (in accordance with paragraph 5 of article 11)

Kindly attach any additional relevant information
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▼ ART. 12: CONTAMINATED SITES

12.1: Has the party endeavoured to develop strategies for identifying and assessing sites contaminated by mercury or mercury compounds in its territory?

Yes

No

Please elaborate
This has not been done

Part E - Additional comments on this article

For this article 12, it is absolutely necessary to take stock of sites contaminated by mercury, especially on sites of small-scale artisanal gold mining.

▼ ART. 13: FINANCIAL RESOURCES AND MECHANISM

13.1: Has the party undertaken to provide, within its capabilities, resources in respect of those national activities that are intended to implement the Convention in accordance with its national policies, priorities, plans and programmes?

Yes

No

Please specify
co-financing of the planetGOLD project

13.2: Supplemental: Has the party, within its capabilities, contributed to the mechanism referred to in paragraph 5 of article 13?

Yes

No

Please provide comments, if any.
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13.3: Supplemental: Has the party provided financial resources to assist developing-country parties and/or parties with economies in transition in the implementation of the Convention through other bilateral,

regional and multilateral sources or channels?

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No

Please specify
contribution to the Convention budget

Please provide comments, if any.
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▼ ART. 14: CAPACITY-BUILDING, TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE AND TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER

14.1: Has the party cooperated to provide capacity-building or technical assistance, pursuant to article 14, to another party to the Convention?

- ( ) Yes
- (●) No

Please specify
Not specifically, but the sharing of experiences during the workshops

14.2: Supplemental: Has the party received capacity-building or technical assistance pursuant to article 14?

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No

Please specify
- Funding for workshops
- Funding for conference parties
- Funding for projects (capacity building, technical support to the country for the implementation of the Minamata Convention)

Please provide comments, if any.
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14.3: Has the party promoted and facilitated the development, transfer and diffusion of and access to, up-to-date environmentally sound alternative technologies?

- ( ) Yes
- ( ) No
- (●) Other

Please provide information
ongoing thanks to the planetGOLD project

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▼ ART. 16: HEALTH ASPECTS

16.1: Have measures been taken to provide information to the public on

exposure to mercury in accordance with paragraph 1 of article 16?

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No

16.2: Have any measures been taken to protect human health in accordance with article 16 beyond the provision of information to the public on exposure to mercury (referred to in question 16.1)?

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No

Part E - Additional comments on this article

The project "National Action Plan to Reduce or, if possible, Eliminate the Use of Mercury in the Artisanal and Small-Scale Gold Mining Sector" resulted in a report on the health aspects of mercury and proposed solutions.

▼ ART. 17: INFORMATION EXCHANGE

17.1: Has the party facilitated the exchange of information referred to in article 17, paragraph 1?

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No

Part E - Additional comments on this article

No studies in this area

▼ ART. 18: PUBLIC INFORMATION, AWARENESS AND EDUCATION

18.1: Have measures been taken to promote and facilitate the provision to the public of the kinds of information listed in article 18, paragraph 1?

- ◉ Yes
- ○ No

If yes, the party may wish to indicate in the space provided below, the measures it has taken to promote and facilitate information to the public, such as:
(a) Provision to the public of available information on:

- ☐ The effects of mercury and mercury compounds on human health and the environment
- ☐ Alternatives to mercury and mercury compounds
- ☐ The topics identified in paragraph 1 of article 17
- ☐ The results of its research, development and monitoring activities under article 19
- ☑ Activities to meet its obligations under the Convention

Activities to meet its obligations under the Convention
awareness, training and education campaigns for the population

(b) Education, training and public awareness related to the effects of exposure to mercury and mercury compounds on human health and the environment in collaboration with relevant intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations and vulnerable populations, as appropriate.

Activities to meet its obligations under the Convention

Today, thanks to the planetGOLD project, the population is being educated, trained, and made aware of the harmful effects of mercury on both health and the environment.

(Art. 18 (1) (a) and (b))

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▼ ART. 19: RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT AND MONITORING

19.1: Has the party undertaken any research, development and monitoring in accordance with paragraph 1 of article 19?

○ Yes

◉ No

(Art. 19 (1) (a)-(g))

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▼ COMMENTS REGARDING POSSIBLE CHALLENGES IN MEETING THE OBJECTIVES OF THE CONVENTION

Part C: Comments regarding possible challenges in meeting the objectives of the Convention

The implementation of the Minamata Convention in Côte d'Ivoire faces several challenges. These include strengthening the regulatory framework specific to mercury and improving inter-institutional coordination among the sectors concerned.
National technical capacities remain limited, particularly in the areas of mercury monitoring, measurement, and analysis, as well as access to the best available techniques and best environmental practices.
Financial constraints also constitute a major challenge, as implementing the activities stipulated by the Convention requires significant resources, with a partial dependence on external funding.
Furthermore, the persistence of socio-economic activities, particularly in the informal sector, using mercury or similar processes complicates the immediate application of reduction measures, given their importance to livelihoods.
Finally, shortcomings remain in awareness-raising, capacity building, and the collection of reliable data, which can affect the quality of monitoring and reporting under Article 21 of the Convention.

▼ COMMENTS REGARDING THE REPORTING FORMAT AND POSSIBLE IMPROVEMENTS, IF ANY

Comments regarding the reporting format and possible improvements, if any

The reports should place greater emphasis on the concrete and measurable results of the projects implemented by each country, in order to better assess the progress made, the impact of the actions implemented and their contribution to achieving the objectives of the Convention.