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

Dear Sir/Madam,

The Permanent Representation of the Kingdom of the Netherlands to the United Nations Office and other International Organizations in Geneva 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, Mr. Ivo de Zwaan, Lead negotiator chemicals and waste of the Ministry of Infrastructure and Water Management of the Netherlands, 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 his nomination.

Yours sincerely,

Paul Bekkers  
Ambassador, Permanent Representative



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

<b>STATE/ORGANIZATION:</b>		.....			
<b>Please tick as appropriate:</b>					
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>First-time</b> nomination					
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Replacement</b> of current National Focal Point (s) ( <i>indicate name(s)</i> ): ...Reginald Hernaus.....					
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Additional</b> nomination to current National Focal Point (s) ( <i>indicate name(s)</i> ): .....					
<b>NATIONAL FOCAL POINT:</b>					
<b>MR.</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<b>Ms.</b> <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>FIRST NAME:</b>	...Ivo .....	<b>LAST NAME:</b>	...de Zwaan.....
<b>FUNCTIONAL TITLE:</b>		Lead Negotiator Chemicals and Waste.....			
<b>SECTION/DEPARTMENT:</b>		International Affairs.....			
<b>ORGANIZATION/INSTITUTION:</b>		Ministry of Infrastructure and Water Management			
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<b>NOTE:</b>		.....			

<b>THIS NOTIFICATION HAS BEEN SUBMITTED BY:</b>					
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<b>DATE AND SIGNATURE:</b>	For Mr. Hernaus: H.E. Mr. Paul Bekkers, Ambassador and Permanent Representation of the Kingdom of the Netherlands, Geneva				
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