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on the Control of Transboundary Movements of
Hazardous Wastes and Their Disposal
Tenth meeting**

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**Matters related to the work programme of the
Open-ended Working Group for 2016–2017:
international cooperation and coordination:
cooperation between the Basel Convention
and the International Maritime Organization**

Cooperation between the Basel Convention and the International Maritime Organization

Note by the Secretariat

I. Introduction

1. In its decision BC-12/16, on cooperation between the Basel Convention on the Control of Transboundary Movements of Hazardous Wastes and Their Disposal and the International Maritime Organization (IMO), the Conference of the Parties requested the Secretariat to prepare a first draft of the guidance manual on how to improve the sea-land interface, taking into account the revised version of the *IMO Comprehensive Manual on Port Reception Facilities*,¹ and to make it available on the Convention website by 31 December 2015.
2. In the same decision, the Conference of the Parties requested the Secretariat to invite parties and others to comment on the draft guidance manual by 31 March 2016, and to submit a revised draft guidance manual, taking into account the comments received, to the Open-ended Working Group for consideration at its tenth meeting.
3. Furthermore, the Conference of the Parties requested the Open-ended Working Group to finalize, at its tenth meeting, the above-mentioned guidance manual, for consideration by the Conference of the Parties at its thirteenth meeting;

II. Implementation

4. On 31 December 2015, the Secretariat posted the first draft of the guidance manual on the Basel Convention website² and sent a letter inviting parties and others to comment on the draft guidance manual by 31 March 2016. The Secretariat revised the draft guidance manual, taking into account those comments, as set out in document UNEP/CHW/OEWG.10/INF/15.

* UNEP/CHW/OEWG.10/1.

¹ International Maritime Organization, MEPC 67/11.

² www.basel.int.

III. Proposed action

5. The Open-ended Working Group may wish to adopt a decision along the following lines:

The Open-ended Working Group

Decides to submit the revised draft guidance manual on how to improve the sea-land interface³ to the Conference of the Parties for consideration at its thirteenth meeting.

³ UNEP/CHW/OEWG.10/INF/15.