

### DECISION

#### UNDERSTANDINGS IN RELATION TO PART IX OF THE VERIFICATION ANNEX

##### The Conference

**Recalling** that the Commission, in its PC-VII/8, paragraph 6.6, adopted understandings in relation to Part IX of the Verification Annex,

**Bearing in mind** that the Commission recommended in paragraph 50.4 of its Final Report that the Conference adopt the above mentioned understanding,

##### Hereby:

1. **Adopts** the understandings in relation to Part IX of the Verification Annex.

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1. The term "unscheduled discrete organic chemical" referred to in paragraph 1(a) of Part IX of the Verification Annex and the term "PSF chemical" referred to in paragraph 1 (b) of the same Part do not cover:
  - (a) oligomers and polymers, whether or not containing phosphorus, sulfur or fluorine<sup>2</sup>;
  - (b) chemicals only containing carbon and metal.
2. The term "oxides of carbon" in the definition of unscheduled discrete organic chemicals (DOCs) refers to carbon monoxide and carbon dioxide. The term "sulfides of carbon" in the same definition refers to carbon disulfide. Both terms refer to carbonyl sulfide.
3. In calculating the "approximate aggregate amount of production of unscheduled discrete organic chemicals" at the plant site pursuant to paragraph 1 (a) of Part IX of the Verification Annex, the production data should be aggregated in a way that includes:
  - (a) in the case of the production of two or more unscheduled DOCs at the same plant, the aggregate of all of these unscheduled DOCs;
  - (b) in the case of multistep processes, only the quantity of the final product if it is an unscheduled DOC, or the quantity of the last intermediate in the multistep synthesis that meets the definition of an unscheduled DOC;
  - (c) in the case of intermediates meeting the definition of an unscheduled DOC and being used by another plant at the site to produce an unscheduled DOC, the amount of the intermediate and of the product manufactured from it at that other plant.
4. The term "hydrocarbon", referring to production which is excluded from the coverage of Part IX, includes all hydrocarbons (i.e. chemicals containing only carbon and hydrogen), irrespective of the number of carbon atoms in the compound.

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<sup>1</sup> as contained in paragraph 3.5 of PC-VII/B/WP.7.

<sup>2</sup> The production of the monomers, however, is covered by the term provided that the monomer otherwise meets the definition of a DOC .