



COMMUNICATION

PRE-SESSION BRIEFINGS FOR DELEGATES ATTENDING THE NINTH MEETING OF THE CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES

The Secretariat refers to the ninth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Basel Convention, to be convened in Bali, Indonesia, from 23 to 27 June 2008.

The Secretariat advises delegations that it has scheduled briefings for the regional groups from 14.00 to 15.00 on Sunday, 22 June 2008, at the conference venue. The briefings by the Secretariat will seek to assist delegations in preparing for the meeting by highlighting those issues that may require particular consideration by the Conference of the Parties.

The Secretariat further advises that premises are available at the conference venue from 18.00 to 20.00 on Sunday, 22 June 2008, for each of the five United Nations regional groups, should delegations wish to hold regional consultations on that day. Following usual practice, rooms shall also be made available during the meeting for regional consultations and coordination.

Further information relating to organization of the ninth meeting of the Conference of the Parties, including pre-session meetings, is available at the website for the meeting (http://cop9.basel.int/).



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