



MISIÓN PERMANENTE DEL ECUADOR ANTE LA ONU - GINEBRA

**Nota N° 4-7-241/2020**

La Misión Permanente del Ecuador ante la Oficina de las Naciones Unidas y otros Organismos Internacionales en Ginebra saluda atentamente a la Secretaría del Convenio de Minamata sobre el Mercurio y tiene el honor de informar que, de conformidad con el artículo 17, párrafo 4 del Convenio de Minamata sobre el Mercurio, el Gobierno del Ecuador ha designado al señor Oscar Zapata, Subsecretario de Calidad Ambiental del Ministerio de Ambiente y Agua, para actuar como Coordinador Nacional para el intercambio de información en el marco de dicho Convenio.

Al respecto, la Misión Permanente del Ecuador tiene a bien remitir junto a la presente comunicación, el respectivo formulario debidamente completado a fin de que se registre oficialmente el cambio de autoridad.

La Misión Permanente del Ecuador ante la Oficina de las Naciones Unidas y otros Organismos Internacionales con sede en Ginebra, al tiempo de agradecer que se confirme la recepción de esta comunicación, hace propicia la oportunidad de renovar a la Secretaría del Convenio de Minamata sobre el Mercurio las seguridades de su más alta y distinguida consideración.

Ginebra, 9 de diciembre de 2020

**A la Honorable  
Secretaría del Convenio de Minamata sobre el Mercurio  
Ginebra. –**







## FORM AND MODEL LETTER FOR THE DESIGNATION OF THE NATIONAL FOCAL POINT FOR THE EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION UNDER THE MINAMATA CONVENTION ON MERCURY (ARTICLE 17, PARAGRAPH 4)

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The Minamata Convention on Mercury requires, under its article 17, paragraph 4, that each Party designates a National Focal Point for the exchange of information under the Convention, including with regard to the consent of importing Parties under Article 3.

Non-Parties may also designate such National Focal Points, in particular to facilitate the implementation of the Convention's obligations on trade with non-Parties pursuant to Article 3.

States or regional economic integration organizations are invited to use the form below to designate their National Focal Point (*see Annex I*). This form should be completed and returned under cover of the official nomination letter from an entity duly authorized to communicate such information to the Secretariat of the Minamata Convention on Mercury, i.e. the Government official contact point to the UN Environment Programme, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs or the Permanent Mission to the UN in Geneva or to the UN Environment Programme (*see model letter of nomination in Annex II*) to the attention of:

The Executive Secretary  
Secretariat of the Minamata Convention on Mercury  
United Nations Environment Programme  
Postal address: Avenue de la Paix 8-14, 1211 Geneva 10, Switzerland  
E-mail: [mea-minamatasecretariat@un.org](mailto:mea-minamatasecretariat@un.org)

The information submitted to the Secretariat regarding the designated National Focal Point will be made available on the website of the Convention at [www.mercuryconvention.org](http://www.mercuryconvention.org).

Kindly note that self-nominations will not be considered.

For further information on the designation process, please do not hesitate to contact the Secretariat, by e-mail at [mea-minamatasecretariat@un.org](mailto:mea-minamatasecretariat@un.org).








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

<b>STATE/ORGANIZATION:</b>		Ministry of Environment and Water of Ecuador			
<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> ): Mariuxi Josephie Thompson Guzmán					
<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>	Oscar	<b>LAST NAME:</b>	Zapata
<b>FUNCTIONAL TITLE:</b>		Undersecretary of Environmental Quality			
<b>SECTION/DEPARTMENT:</b>		Undersecretary of Environmental Quality			
<b>ORGANIZATION/INSTITUTION:</b>		Ministry of Environment and Water of Ecuador			
<b>ADDRESS:</b>		Madrid E12-102 at Andalucía			
<b>POST CODE:</b>	170525	<b>CITY:</b>	Quito	<b>COUNTRY:</b>	Ecuador
<b>TELEPHONE</b> ( <i>include country and city code</i> ):		<b>Fax</b> ( <i>include country and city code</i> ):		<b>E-MAIL ADDRESS:</b>	
+(593 2) 3987600		+(593 2) 3987600		cc: oscar.zapata@ambiente.gob.ec	
<b>NOTE:</b>	Official Contact Point under the Minamata Convention Name: Walter Schuldt Title: Director of Environment and Sustainable Development Institution: Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Human Mobility Address: Jerónimo Carrión y Av. 10 de Agosto (esquina), 170517 Quito, Ecuador Phone: (+593) 2 2993200 ext. 11551 Email: <a href="mailto:dads@cancilleria.gob.ec">dads@cancilleria.gob.ec</a> ; <a href="mailto:sam@cancilleria.gob.ec">sam@cancilleria.gob.ec</a> ; <a href="mailto:onuginebra@cancilleria.gob.ec">onuginebra@cancilleria.gob.ec</a>				

<b>THIS NOTIFICATION HAS BEEN SUBMITTED BY:</b>					
<b>MR.</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<b>Ms.</b> <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>FIRST NAME:</b>	Alejandro	<b>LAST NAME:</b>	Dávalos
<b>FUNCTIONAL TITLE:</b>		Minister and Deputy Permanent Representative			
<b>SECTION/DEPARTMENT:</b>		N/A			
<b>ORGANIZATION/INSTITUTION:</b>		Permanent Mission of Ecuador to the United Nations and other International organizations in Geneva.			
<b>ADDRESS:</b>		15 Chemin Louis-Dunant, 1202			
<b>POST CODE:</b>	1202	<b>CITY:</b>	Geneva	<b>COUNTRY</b> :	Switzerland
<b>TELEPHONE</b> ( <i>include country and city code</i> ):		<b>Fax</b> ( <i>include country and city code</i> ):		<b>E-MAIL ADDRESS:</b>	



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DATE AND SIGNATURE:	09.12.2020 	

States/organizations who require to nominate more than one focal point are invited to submit one form for each designated individual and to specify the responsibilities of each focal point in the note section.

## ANNEX II – MODEL LETTER FOR THE OFFICIAL NOMINATION

The Executive Secretary  
Secretariat of the Minamata Convention on Mercury  
United Nations Environment Programme  
Postal address: Avenue de la Paix 8-14, 1211 Geneva 10, Switzerland  
E-mail: mea-minamatasecretariat@un.org

*December 9, 2020*

Subject: Designation of the National Focal Point to the Minamata Convention on Mercury for Ministry of Environment and Water of Ecuador

Dear Sir/Madam,

The Permanent Mission of Ecuador to the United Nations in Geneva hereby notifies the Secretariat of the Minamata Convention on Mercury that, in accordance with Article 17, paragraph 4 of the Minamata Convention on Mercury, the Government of Ecuador has designated, Mr. Oscar Zapata, Undersecretary of Environmental Quality of the Ministry of Environment and Water of Ecuador, 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 faithfully,

  
Alejandro Dávalos  
Minister and Deputy Permanent Representative  
Permanent Mission of Ecuador to the UN in Geneva

