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## Q1 INFORMATION ON THE PARTY

Name of the party **Argentina**

**Q2** Date on which its instrument of ratification, accession, approval or acceptance was deposited Date **25/09/2017**

**Q3** Date of entry into force of the Convention for the party Date **24/12/2017**

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<b>Q6 DATE THE REPORT WAS SUBMITTED</b>	Date	<b>27/12/2019</b>
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<b>Q7 1.</b> Does the party have any primary mines that were operating within its territory at the date of entry into force of the Convention for the party? (Para. 3.)	<b>No</b>
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<b>Q8 c.</b> If yes, please indicate Total amount mined _____ metric tons per year	-
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<b>Q9</b> Additional information on this question if needed	-
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<b>Q10 3.</b> Has the party endeavoured to identify individual stocks of mercury or mercury compounds exceeding 50 metric tons and sources of mercury supply generating stocks exceeding 10 metric tons per year that are located within its territory? (Para. 5.)	<b>Yes</b>
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**Q11** If the party answered Yes to Question 3 above: i. Please attach the results of your endeavour or indicate where it is available on the internet, unless unchanged from a previous reporting round.

**endeavour to identify individual stocks of mercury or mercury compounds.pdf (1.9MB)**

**Q12** ii. Supplemental: Please provide any related information, for example on the use or disposal of mercury from such stock and sources.

Se identificó un sitio donde hay existencias superiores a 50 toneladas en nuestro territorio. Corresponde a la actividad minera, donde el mercurio elemental, se obtiene como subproducto. Debido a que Argentina no cuenta con operadores habilitados para dar tratamiento al mercurio elemental, surge la necesidad de exportación, y como consecuencia, hasta el momento de concretar la exportación, el mercurio, debe ser almacenado de una forma ambientalmente racional.

A fin de velar por esto, desde el Punto Focal Técnico del Convenio, se realizaron dos visitas al establecimiento, en las que se pudo observar que, la forma de almacenamiento de mercurio líquido, cumplía con la normativa aplicable, y se realizaba de manera ambientalmente adecuada.

De acuerdo a lo mencionado anteriormente, la firma solicitó permiso para realizar la exportación, a Suiza, donde el mercurio elemental es estabilizado y transformado en sulfuro de mercurio (HgS), para posteriormente ser enviado a Alemania para su disposición final.

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**Q13** 5. Has the party received consent, or relied on a general notification of consent, in accordance with article 3, including any required certification from importing non-parties, for all exports of mercury from the party's territory in the reporting period? (Para. 6, para. 7.) **No**

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**Q14** If yes, a. and the party has submitted copies of the consent forms to the secretariat, then no further information is needed. If the party has not previously provided such copies, it is recommended that it do so. Otherwise, please provide other suitable information showing that the relevant requirements of paragraph 6 of article 3 have been met. Supplemental: please provide information on the use of the exported mercury. -

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**Q15** Kindly attach all relevant information here -

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**Q16** b. If exports were based on a general notification in accordance with article 3, paragraph 7, please indicate, if available, the total amount exported and any relevant terms or conditions in the general notification related to use. -

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**Q17** Kindly attach any relevant information here

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**Q18** Part E. As per agreed reporting format, Parties are invited to provide additional comments on this article in free text. Kindly use the box below.

Tal como surge de los documentos adjuntos, se emitieron dos consentimientos otorgados para la importación de mercurio en cumplimiento del art. 3 del Convenio. En ambos casos el mercurio provino de México.

**Q19** 2. Are there facilities for final disposal of waste consisting of mercury or mercury compounds in the party's territory? **No**

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**Q20** If yes, if the information is available, how much waste consisting of mercury or mercury compounds has been subjected to final disposal under the reporting period? Please specify the method of the final disposal operation/operations. -

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**Q21** Kindly attach any additional relevant information here -

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**Q22** Part E. As per agreed reporting format, Parties are invited to provide additional comments on this article in free text. Kindly use the box below. -

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**Q23** Part C. Comments regarding possible challenges in meeting the objectives of the Convention (Art. 21, para. 1)

- Mejorar el acceso a financiamiento de manera de poder cumplir con las provisiones del Convenio.
  - Mejorar la disposición final adecuada de los desechos que contienen o están contaminados con mercurio, ya que en muchos casos dichos desechos terminan en Basurales a Cielo abierto generando emisiones y liberaciones de mercurio, así como sitios contaminados con mercurio.
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**Q24** Part D. Comments regarding the reporting format and possible improvements, if any

Generar una opción en la herramienta informática de reporte que le permita a las Partes "guardar" antes de "enviar".

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**Q25** Additional information to supplement that request may be attached -

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