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Q1 INFORMATION ON THE PARTY

Name of the party **Islamic Republic of Iran**

Q2 Date on which its instrument of ratification, accession, approval or acceptance was deposited Date **16/06/2017**

Q3 Date of entry into force of the Convention for the party Date **14/09/2017**

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Q7 1. 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.)	No
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Q8 c. If yes, please indicate Total amount mined _____ metric tons per year	-
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Q9 Additional information on this question if needed	-
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Q10 3. 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.)	Yes
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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.	-
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Q12 ii. Supplemental: Please provide any related information, for example on the use or disposal of mercury from such stock and sources.

Submission of information on the accumulation of mercury or mercury compounds stocks requires performing a comprehensive and accurate inventory. To that end, Member States shall take all necessary steps towards preparation of a comprehensive and accurate inventory which is a time consuming process as it needs extensive studies, sampling laboratory equipment, technical experts etc. In this regard, it should be highlighted that capacity building, technical assistance and technology transfer as required under the Convention plays a crucial role to assist Member States to accumulate all information with regard to the mercury waste and stocks. Hence, Iran in full conformity with its commitment under the Convention has taken following steps towards implementation of the provisions of the Convention:

- Establishment of an expert working group comprising of stakeholders to prepare inventory report
- Establishment of a national committee to monitor the implementation of the Convention
- Decommissioning of the Chlor –alkali plant in petrochemical industry
- Holding a three-day seminar and workshop on inventory of mercury by Department of Environment(DOE) in 2019
- Engaging private sectors, universities and research centres in preparation of mercury and mercury compounds inventory
- Submission of the project entitled "Capacity Building for Effective Implementation of Minamata Convention Focusing on Mercury Inventory" approved by the Minamata Convention Secretariat.

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**

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. -

Q15 Kindly attach all relevant information here -

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. -

Q17 Kindly attach any relevant information here -

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. -

Q19 2. Are there facilities for final disposal of waste consisting of mercury or mercury compounds in the party's territory? **Yes**

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.

Neutralization and encapsulation are the applied methods for the final disposal of waste consisting of mercury or mercury compounds in the country.

Q21 Kindly attach any additional relevant information here -

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

In this regard, it should be highlighted that capacity building, technical assistance and technology transfer as required under the Convention plays a crucial role to assist Member States to meet the obligations under the Convention.

Q24 Part D. Comments regarding the reporting format and possible improvements, if any -

Q25 Additional information to supplement that request may be attached -
