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Hazardous Chemicals and Pesticides in
International Trade
Conference of the Parties
Third meeting**

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Item 5 (b) of the provisional agenda*

**Implementation of the Convention: Confirmation of the
appointments of Government-designated experts
to the Chemical Review Committee**

Confirmation of the appointments of Government-designated experts to the Chemical Review Committee

Note by the secretariat

I. Background

1. At its second meeting, the Conference of the Parties adopted decision RC-2/1 which confirmed the 30 government-designated experts to the Chemical Review Committee and elected Ms. Bettina Hitzfeld as the Chair of the Committee.
2. The meeting also decided that the Government of the Democratic Republic of the Congo was entitled, in place of the Government of Gabon, to designate an expert to serve as a member of the Chemical Review Committee. It requested the Government of the Democratic Republic of the Congo to designate an expert to serve on the Committee on an interim basis for the same term as would have been served by the expert who was to be designated by the Government of Gabon, pending formal confirmation of the appointment of the expert by the Conference of the Parties at its third meeting. For that purpose, the Government of the Democratic Republic of the Congo was requested to provide through the secretariat the name and relevant qualifications of the expert to the Parties by 1 December 2005.
3. Contact information and details of the qualifications of the expert from the Democratic Republic of the Congo, as received by the secretariat, are provided in document UNEP/FAO/RC/COP.3/INF/6.

* UNEP/FAO/RC/COP.3/1.

II. Possible action by the Conference of the Parties

4. The Conference of the Parties may wish to review the information on the qualifications of the expert from the Democratic Republic of the Congo reproduced in document UNEP/FAO/RC/COP.3/INF/6 and formally confirm the appointment of the expert. A draft decision confirming the appointment of the expert is set forth in the annex to the present note.

Annex

Draft decision

Confirmation of the appointment of Government-designated experts to the Chemical Review Committee

The Conference of the Parties,

Recalling its decision RC-2/1, in which, inter alia, it requested the Government of the Democratic Republic of the Congo to designate an expert to serve on the Committee on an interim basis for the same term as would have been served by the expert who was to be designated by the Government of Gabon, pending formal confirmation of the appointment of the expert by the Conference of the Parties at its third meeting, and, for that purpose, to provide through the secretariat the name and relevant qualifications of the expert to the Parties by 1 December 2005,

Decides to appoint the expert designated by the Government of the Democratic Republic of Congo to serve as a member of the Chemical Review Committee.

Nominated expert

Africa

Democratic Republic of the Congo	Mr. Alain Donatien Buluku Professeur de Chimie Université Pédagogique de Kinshasa
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