Annotated Provisional Agenda

Item 1: Opening of the Meeting

1. The second meeting of the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) Global Mercury Partnership Advisory Group, to be held from 21 to 22 September 2010 in Geneva, Switzerland at the International Environment House II, Geneva, Switzerland (chemin de Balexert 9), will be opened at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, 21 September 2010.

2. The meeting will be chaired by Ms. Abiola Olanipekun of Nigeria who was selected as chair at the first meeting of the Partnership Advisory Group in March 2009, in line with Annex I Section 3.d of the UNEP Global Mercury Partnership Overarching Framework which states that the Partnership Advisory Group will select a Chair who will serve for a two year term.

Item 2: Organizational matters

(a) Adoption of the agenda

3. The Partnership Advisory Group may wish to adopt the agenda for the meeting on the basis of the provisional agenda set out in document UNEP(DTIE)/Hg/PAG.2/1.

(b) Organization of work.

4. The Partnership Advisory Group may wish to agree on suitable meeting hours, subject to adjustments as necessary.

Item 3: Review overall progress, including status of partnership areas

5. Annex I Section 3.f.i and ii of the UNEP Global Mercury Partnership Overarching Framework state that the functions and responsibilities of the Partnership Advisory Group include encouraging the work of the partnership areas as well as reviewing the partnership area business plans in order to advise the partnership
areas on the consistency of the business plans with the overall goal and operational guidelines of the UNEP Global Mercury Partnership.

6. Business plans for seven partnership areas have been prepared by the partnership areas. They are compiled and available for information and further discussion as meeting document UNEP(DTIE)/Hg/PAG.2/3.

7. Annex I Section 3.f.v of the UNEP Global Mercury Partnership Overarching Framework states that one of the functions and responsibilities of the Partnership Advisory Group includes reporting on activities within the UNEP Global Mercury Partnership. A draft report on activities within the UNEP Global Mercury Partnership for January 2009 to June 2010 has been prepared by UNEP for consideration of the Partnership Advisory Group. The document is available for information and further discussion as meeting document UNEP(DTIE)/Hg/PAG.2/2.

8. The Partnership Advisory Group may wish to discuss and provide input on the business plans and the draft report on activities.

Item 4: Consider overarching issues and lessons learned

9. Annex I Section 3.f.iv of the UNEP Global Mercury Partnership Overarching Framework states that one of the functions and responsibilities of the Partnership Advisory Group includes communicating overarching issues and lessons learned while promoting synergy and collaboration across partnership areas. Individual partnership area evaluations have been prepared by the partnership areas. They are available for information and discussion as information documents UNEP(DTIE)/Hg/PAG.1/INF 1 to UNEP(DTIE)/Hg/PAG.1/INF 7.

10. Annex I Section 3.f.iii of the UNEP Global Mercury Partnership Overarching Framework states that one of the functions and responsibilities of the Partnership Advisory Group includes reporting to the Executive Director of UNEP on overall progress. A draft report on overall progress has been prepared by UNEP for consideration of the Partnership Advisory Group. The document is intended to also encourage the work of the partnership areas in moving forward and is available for information and further discussion as meeting document UNEP(DTIE)/Hg/PAG.2/4.

11. The Intergovernmental Negotiating Committee requested UNEP to provide an analysis of possible options for using partnerships to help achieve the goals of the future instrument on mercury, including the option of integrating partnerships into the instrument. A thought starter has been prepared by UNEP to assist in developing this analysis. The document is available for information and input from the Partnership Advisory Group as meeting document UNEP(DTIE)/Hg/PAG.2/5.

12. The Partnership Advisory Group may wish to discuss and provide input on the overall progress report and the thought starter taking in mind the individual partnership area evaluations and experiences.

Item 5: Other matters

13. The Partnership Advisory Group may wish to consider other issues raised during the meeting.

Item 6: Adoption of the report

14. At its final session, the Partnership Advisory Group will be invited to consider and to adopt their decisions and the report of the meeting.

Item 7: Closure of the meeting

15. It is expected that the meeting will conclude by 6 p.m. on Wednesday 22 September 2010.