Terms of reference of the Working Group on Development

1. The Working Group on the Development of the Convention shall be renamed the Working Group on Development, which shall be an open-ended working group consisting of representatives of Parties. Observers may participate in the meetings of the Working Group in accordance with rules 6, 7 and 8 of the rules of procedure for the meetings of the Conference of the Parties, which apply, mutatis mutandis, to its subsidiary bodies.

2. The Working Group shall meet on a needs-driven basis to carry out its tasks as set out below.

3. The Working Group shall:

(a) Keep under review developments in the field of the prevention of, preparedness for and response to industrial accidents, including those with regard to other regulatory instruments, and assess their legal and practical implications for the Convention on the Transboundary Effects of Industrial Accidents;

(b) Review annex I to the Convention in the light of the corresponding legal requirements of other relevant regulatory instruments;

(c) Develop recommendations and proposals for amending the Convention;

(d) If appropriate, submit to the Conference of the Parties, through the Bureau, recommendations and proposals for amending the Convention and its annexes, including annex I;

(e) Carry out other tasks entrusted to it by the Conference of the Parties.