National Reporting Obligations (NROs) Update

1. There has been a full-time staff member since June 2014 and this has had a major impact on the ability to deliver and now the NRO group is slowly able to eliminate the backlog of work. It is the intentionl of the Secretariat to maintain the momentum that has now been established.

National Reporting Obligations Advisory Body (NROAG)

1. Slow to establish the NROAG but first meeting was held 1-3 July 2014 which was very successful and established the basis for the revised NRO Programme that will be presented to CPM-10 in 2015.
2. Mr Konan Kuoame (CPM Bureau) acted as Interim Chairperson to get the NRAOG established and functional.
3. NROAG has a lot of work to do in preparatin for CPM-10 but also in providing oversight and advice between NROAG meetings.
4. Ms Lottie Erikson was elected as chairperson of the NROAG.

The NRO Programme

1. Based on advice and feddback received from the NROAG, the Secretariat drafted an NRO Programme that was presented to the PSG.
2. The document was well received and significant advice was received to ensure it will be ready for CPM-10.
3. The updated NRO Programme will be made available for country comments before being finalized for CPM-10.
4. Components of this document will be: strategic guidance for the programme, CPM agree procedures and and a summary work programme.
5. The format and content of the NRO programme is largely being based on advice and guidance provided for the CPM Implementation Programme model.

IPPC Year of the OCP

1. NROAG declared July 2014 – March 2015 (CPM-10) the “Year of the IPPC contact point” to ensure NPPO focus on the key issue to the NRO programme and core funcationlity to the functioning of the IPPC system. Each year, there will be an NRO focus for the “Year of”.
2. Reminder letters have been sent to all IPPC contact Points regarding the accuracy of IPPC contact points and the response has been very good to date.
3. Changes are made within 24 hours of receiving these notification of changes. IPP OCPs and editors have also been very active in updating their contacts details.
4. The Secretariat has also created an “NRO Update” newsletter that will be an essential communicaiton tool that will be sent out every month.
5. A full progress report will be given to CPM-10.

Re-organizing and Updating IPP NRO pages

1. Major changes / alignment with the revised / new NRO programme can only be made after CPM-10 adopts NRO Programme.
2. Revised data entry pages nearly ready with the objective of far easier and effective data entry compared to those we currently have.
3. The “RPPO pest reporting mechanism” release by end of year which will aloow those contracting parties that wish to utulie this mechanism to make their pest reports through their RPPOs.
4. Small updates pest reporting and data extraction updates will be made available by the end of the year
5. Objective is to try a nd establish an NRO reminder and notification system by CPM-10 but this will depend on how much work is required and other IT priorities in the Secretariat.

The TC amongst RPPOs is requested:

1. *Consider* the above update and provide feedback.
2. *Agree* to an agenda item on the NRO Programme at the next TC amongst RPPOs in 2015.