

STATUS REPORT
Environmentally Sound Management of Obsolete Pesticides Stockpiles
in the Russian Federation
Ottawa, September 2009

(1) Work accomplished since last ACAP WG in Stockholm, March 2009

Inventories

No progress.

PSG has not been able to transfer funds for the Altai inventories (as agreed in PSG#17) until late August 2009, due to negotiations concerning the Russian consultant charges. Eventually the PSG agreed to raise the CIP costs temporarily to 15% with the understanding that it will seek solutions to reduce the costs at its next meeting in October, 2009. The decision was made in order to achieve progress in 2009.

PSG has not been able to fund inventory and safe storage activities in Krasnojarsk.

Demonstration of environmentally sound destruction of 100 t of OP

PSG is concerned over the possibilities to destroy pesticides in Surgut facility under Phase III, as the Polygon ltd still lacks permit required to start operation and testing of destruction. It is not known when the facility will receive necessary licenses to start operations.

The selection criteria for pesticide selection has not been developed.

(2) Funding expenditures since last ACAP WG in March, 2009

No new donor contributions have been made.

PSG has funded the finalization of activities in Altai Krai with a sum of 100,000 USD, plus 15,000 USD for CIP coordination work.

(3) Next Steps of the Project

1. Complete inventory and safe storage activities in Altai Krai and Krasnoyarsk Krai.
2. Finalize and print Fact sheet.
3. Elaborate the role of the ACAP in activities with regards to destruction testing of pesticides in Surgut and prepare for testing of pesticide destruction.