

- (d) the use of economic instruments for the pursuit of domestic and internationally agreed environmental objectives;
- (e) scientific research and technology development in respect of environmental matters;
- (f) promotion of public awareness regarding the environment;
- (g) global environmental issues, such as the long-range transport of air and marine pollutants;
- (h) exotic species that may be harmful;
- (i) the conservation and protection of wild flora and fauna and their habitat, and specially protected natural areas;
- (j) the protection of endangered and threatened species;
- (k) environmental emergency preparedness and response activities;
- (l) environmental matters as they relate to economic development;
- (m) the environmental implications of goods throughout their life cycles;
- (n) human resource training and development in the environmental field;
- (o) the exchange of environmental scientists and officials;
- (p) approaches to environmental compliance and enforcement;
- (q) ecologically sensitive national accounts;
- (r) eco-labelling; and
- (s) other matters as it may decide.

3. The Council shall strengthen cooperation on the development and continuing improvement of environmental laws and regulations, including by:

- (a) promoting the exchange of information on criteria and methodologies used in establishing domestic environmental standards; and
- (b) without reducing levels of environmental protection, establishing a process for developing recommendations on greater compatibility of environmental technical