

**MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND URBANIZATION****(ÇEVRE VE ŞEHİRCİLİK BAKANLIĞI)****Questionnaire on issues relating to the environmental effects related to waste originating from chemical munitions dumped at sea*****Situation***

1. It is forbidden by law to dump any waste, including chemical munitions, at sea.
2. There is no information and specific scientific study conducted by "Ministry of Environment and Urbanization" regarding the specific effects of WOCMDS.

***Response to incidents (Questions 3, 4 and 5)***

In order to ensure preparedness of coastal facilities, risk assessment and emergency response plans have been prepared. Within the context of plans, coastal facilities, which are handling chemicals, established waste management and emergency response systems for effective response operations.

In case of regional and national level, private companies who are authorized by Ministry of Transport, Maritime Affairs and Communications in accordance with 5312 Law, have to start response operations with related equipment according to the type of chemicals. Chemicals and contaminated wastes have to be disposed by IZDAYDAŞ.

***Raising awareness and other actions***

6. Since it is forbidden by law to dump any waste, including chemical munitions at sea, there is no specific study conducted by "Ministry of Environment and Urbanization" about raising awareness on WOCMDS.
7. N/A

***Cooperation***

8. N/A
9. Such a study would provide information on the present situation of our seas and assessment of existing pollution originating from dumped WOCMDS.