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I. INTRODUCTION

1. Decision III/24 of the Conference of the Parties requested the Executive Secretary to prepare a quarterly report on the administration of the Convention including such matters as the staff lists, status of contributions, progress on the implementation of the medium term work programme and financial expenditures. The requirements to report on a regular basis to the Parties were further elaborated under the Administrative Arrangements between the Secretariat and UNEP which were endorsed by the Conference of the Parties in decision IV/17.
2. The Executive Secretary has prepared this Quarterly Report which contains a summary of key activities implementing the decisions of the Conference of the Parties and other relevant matters from 1 June to 31 August 1999.

II. EXECUTIVE DIRECTION AND MANAGEMENT

3. During the period covered by this Report, the Secretariat has organised and convened the fourth meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Technical and Technological Advice (SBSTTA), 21 to 25 June 1999, and the Intersessional Meeting on the Operations of the Convention, 28 to 30 June 1999. Both meetings took place in Montreal. The reports have been distributed by the Secretariat (see documents UNEP/CBD/COP/5/4 and UNEP/CBD/SBSTTA/4/14). The Meeting documents have been posted on the Secretariat's website in all six official languages. In addition, an informal consultation on future steps in the negotiation of a Biosafety Protocol to the CBD was held on 1st July 1999, in Montreal. The Parties involved decided that further consultations should be held later this year to explore the prospects of a successful conclusion of the negotiations.
4. A booklet of the decisions of COP-4 has now also been published in all six UN official languages and work is progressing well on the preparation of The Handbook of the Convention on Biological Diversity.
5. Considerable progress was made with regard to recruitment in order to fill the various positions approved by the COP. The Executive Secretary has been appointed by the Secretary General and the new Principal Officer, Executive Direction and Management, and several other officials joined the Secretariat during the Summer months. It will be recalled that the Principal Officer, Scientific, Technical and Technological Matters had joined the Secretariat in late May 1999. The main outstanding vacancy remains the position of Principal Officer, Implementation. Recruitment is expected to be completed before the next COP.
6. The agenda for the coming months, leading to COP-5 (May 2000), is very busy. A number of "liaison groups" will meet in September this year as part of the preparations for SBSTTA-5. The Extraordinary Session of the COP will reconvene in January, in Montreal, with a view to completing the negotiation of, and adopting, a Protocol on Biosafety. This meeting will be followed immediately by SBSTTA-5. In addition, the Expert Panel on Access and Benefit-Sharing will meet in San Jose, Costa-Rica, in October 1999, and the Ad Hoc Open-Ended Inter-sessional Working Group on Article 8 (j) will meet in the first quarter of 2000.
7. Preparations for the fifth meeting of the COP, which is to be held in Nairobi from 15 to 26 May 2000, are well under way. The Bureau of the COP has approved the provisional agenda for the meeting. (See Annex VIII to this Report). A draft Host Country Agreement has been submitted to the

Government of Kenya. UNON have been advised of the dates and their services booked for the meeting. Preliminary work and discussions with Parties and other relevant institutions on most of the topics and documents for the meeting have begun. The fifth meeting of the SBSTTA will be considering many of the main items for COP-5, including drylands, agricultural biodiversity, the ecosystem approach and indicators of biological diversity.

8. Preparations for the ad hoc open-ended inter-sessional Working Group to address the implementation of article 8 (j) and related provisions of the Convention are underway. The drafts of the provisional agenda as well as of the annotated provisional agenda are ready, pending approval by the Bureau of the Conference of the Parties. The dates and venue for the meeting have been approved by the COP Bureau. It will take place in Seville, Spain, from 21 to 25 February 2000.

III. IMPLEMENTATION OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE ARRANGEMENTS

9. The Secretariat regularly reviews implementation of the Administrative Arrangements endorsed by the COP in decision IV/17. Status of implementation of the agreed Administrative Arrangements is presented in Annex I. The following highlights the key features of the Secretariat's activities with respect to implementation of these Arrangements.

A. Personnel Arrangements

10. As at 31 August 99, the Secretariat had 21 regularized Professional staff members and 16 regularized General Service staff members. Additionally, 7 Professional posts and 3 General Service posts were funded from other sources. Please refer to the attached staff list (Annex I, Appendix 1) and Organigram (Annex II)

B. Financial Arrangements

11. With regard to budgetary matters, as at 31 August 1999, of the total pledged contributions of US\$6,849,995 for 1999 to the BY Trust Fund, the total contributions received amount to US\$4,884,241. A balance of US\$1,965,754 is still outstanding for 1999. Total unpaid pledges to the BY Trust Fund for prior years amounts to US\$1,304,110.

12. Several Parties have contributed additional voluntary funds in support of approved activities under the Convention (BE Trust Fund). As of 31 August 1999, the total amount pledged for 1999 for this purpose is US\$699,098. A total of US\$639,866 has been collected for 1999. Total unpaid pledges for 1999 and prior years to the BE Trust Fund is US\$66,432.

13. The Food and Agricultural Organisation (FAO) has contributed for the secondment of one staff member in the field of Agro-biodiversity at the Secretariat, and funds were received from the Government of Colombia for the hosting of the BSWG-6 and Ex-COP meetings which took place in Cartagena in February 1999. The governments of Australia, Canada and the United Kingdom have also contributed funds for approved activities of the Convention. Additionally, pledges were received from Sweden and Switzerland for approved activities under the Convention. The Secretariat is also negotiating with the Netherlands for the provision of a senior official in the field of agricultural biodiversity and public outreach. Details of the BE Trust Fund are contained in Annex III.

14. Further contributions totaling US\$890,724 were pledged as additional voluntary contributions to facilitate the participation of Parties to the Convention Process (BZ Trust Fund) in 1999. A total of US\$595,655 has been collected for 1999. Total unpaid pledges for 1999 and prior years to the BZ Trust Fund is US\$545,594. Annex IV contains details.

15. Invoices have been sent to the 174 Parties to the Convention listed in Appendix 1 to Annex 1, Part A of Decision III/24, inviting them to pay their contributions to the Trust Fund for 1999 and 2000. To date 53 countries have paid their contributions for 1999 amounting to 71% of the total amount pledged to the Trust Fund in 1999. Thirteen (13) countries have already paid their 2000 contributions to the BY Trust Fund. The Statement of Contributions to the CBD Trust Fund, as provided by the Trustee as at 31 August 1999 is attached as Annex V to this report.

IV. IMPLEMENTATION OF THE DECISIONS OF THE CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES

SCIENTIFIC, TECHNICAL AND TECHNOLOGICAL MATTERS DIVISION

IV/1 REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE THIRD MEETING OF THE SUBSIDIARY BODY ON SCIENTIFIC, TECHNICAL AND TECHNOLOGICAL ADVICE, AND INSTRUCTIONS BY THE CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES TO THE SUBSIDIARY BODY ON SCIENTIFIC, TECHNICAL AND TECHNOLOGICAL ADVICE

16. With respect to the ecosystem approach, pursuant decision IV/1.B, preparations are underway for the convening of a liaison group meeting with the aim to assist the Executive Secretary in gathering the relevant documentation needed for the preparation of the note on the ecosystem approach that will be submitted to the consideration of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice (SBSTTA) at its fifth meeting, to be held in Montreal, 31 January - 4 February 2000. The ecosystem approach liaison group is scheduled to be held in Paris, at UNESCO headquarters, 15-17 September 1999. Financial support has been provided by the Governments of France and the United Kingdom as well as by UNEP.

IV/4 STATUS AND TRENDS OF THE BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY OF INLAND WATER ECOSYSTEMS AND OPTIONS FOR CONSERVATION AND SUSTAINABLE USE

17. Following to the seventh Conference of the Contracting Parties to the Convention on Wetlands, held in Costa Rica in May 1999, and the fourth meeting of SBSTTA, held in Montreal, 21-25 June 1999, CBD and Ramsar continue to implement the Joint Work Programme. In particular, the two Secretariats are presently developing a project proposal on an "Integrated River Basin Initiative".

18. In July 1999, the Secretariat provided inputs to the independent review, carried out by a consultant hired by the Administrative Committee on Coordination (ACC) Subcommittee on Water Resources, following the request of the Commission on Sustainable Development at its sixth meeting (New York, 20 April-1 May 1998). These inputs were provided by meeting with the consultant and replying to a questionnaire on, *inter alia*, the following aspects: the value and adequacy of current procedures, methods of work and outputs of the Subcommittee; the existence of significant gaps, overlaps and inconsistencies of the work carried out by the Subcommittee and its members and the potential to increase efficiency in programme delivery, including joint programming among Subcommittee organisations.

19. In August 1999, in reply to a letter sent by the Coordination Office of the Global Programme of Action (GPA) for the Protection of the Marine Environment from Land-based Activities, the Secretariat reported on relevant activities in supporting GPA implementation. The information will be compiled and reflected in UNEP's regular reports on the progress in the implementation of the GPA to Governments, agencies, international organisations and the general public. The first such occasion is the UN Small Island Developing States (SIDS) Special Session (New York, 27-28 September 1999).

20. The Executive Secretary prepared document UNEP/CBD/SBSTTA/5/6 on "Ways and Means to implement the Programme of Work on Inland Water Biological Diversity" for the fifth meeting of SBSTTA, as part of Agenda item 3.5 of the fifth meeting of the Subsidiary Body: 'Specific issues in ongoing work programmes on thematic areas.'

21. To this end, the Executive Secretary will send a letter to all National Focal Points and relevant organisations, inviting them to submit case studies, relevant information and inputs to assist the Secretariat in the assessment of the status and trends of the biological diversity of inland water ecosystems and identification of options for conservation and sustainable use. Information has already been submitted by: Argentina, Australia, Belgium, Egypt, the Netherlands, Mexico, Portugal, the United Kingdom, the Convention on Wetlands, DIVERSITAS, the Food and Agriculture Organisation of the United Nations, ICLARM, Wetlands International, the World Conservation Union.

22. With regard to the roster of experts on inland water biological diversity, the Secretariat continues working with the clearing-house mechanism unit in updating the related database. In the mean time, the Secretariat continues receiving submissions of experts from National Focal Points; to date, the roster of experts on inland water biological diversity holds 223 names submitted by 44 countries.

IV/5 CONSERVATION AND SUSTAINABLE USE OF MARINE AND COASTAL BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY, INCLUDING A PROGRAMME OF WORK

23. The Executive Secretary is preparing a document entitled "Marine and Coastal Biodiversity: Consideration of Implementation Tools for the Programme of Work and Analysis of Coral Bleaching" for the fifth meeting of SBSTTA, as part of Agenda item 3.5 of the fifth meeting of the Subsidiary Body: 'Specific issues in ongoing work programmes on thematic areas.'

24. Also in the area of coral reefs, in view of the high specificity of the subject, the Secretariat, with financial support from the Governments of France, Sweden and the United States of America, and the IUCN-The World Conservation Union (US Office), is organizing an Expert Consultation on Coral Bleaching, in Manila, the Philippines, in the second week of October 1999. The meeting will be hosted by the International Center for Living Aquatic Resources Management (ICLARM).

25. The Secretariat continues the cooperation with the International Coral Reef Initiative (ICRI) in promoting the conservation and sustainable use of coral reefs and related ecosystems. The Secretariat submitted inputs to the progress report on activities, as a member of the ICRI Coordination and Planning Committee (ICRI-CPC). The report is distributed to all members of ICRI-CPC on a regular basis. The next meeting of the Committee will be held in Guadeloupe, 28- 30 October 1999. Through its participation in ICRI, the Secretariat ensures that relevant provisions of the Convention are properly taken into account in the context of this awareness raising, science supporting and policy developing initiative.

26. In addition, the Secretariat has established communication with the International Society for Reef Studies (ISRS), with a view to possible cooperation in relation to the Ninth International Coral Reef

Symposium, to be held in Bali, Indonesia, from 23 to 27 October 2000, hosted by the Government of Indonesia. The Secretariat received 250 copies of the second announcement for the Symposium for distribution at the fifth meeting of the Subsidiary Body, with the purpose of disseminating the information. Arrangements for the organization of mini symposia on topics relevant to biodiversity are being discussed between the Secretariat and ISRS.

27. Still in the area of coral reefs, the Secretariat has expressed its interest in participating in the International Coral Reef Action Network (ICRAN) project, which is coordinated by UNEP and ICLARM. ICRAN aims at proliferating good practices in management of coral reef areas, through establishment and development of demonstration sites, working as centers of excellence and training centers. The long-term goal of the project is to reverse the trend of global decline of coral reefs. The Secretariat intends to explore how this project could assist the Convention in the implementation of capacity-building actions in the area of coral reefs identified by the Conference of the Parties.

28. The Secretariat continues cooperating with the Permanent Commission for South Pacific (CPPS) on the implementation of the Jakarta Mandate within the South Pacific region. The CPPS submitted to the Secretariat the Report of the Meeting of Experts to Analyze the Ecological Impact of Alien Species in the South East Pacific, which was circulated at the fourth meeting of the Subsidiary Body as an information document. As a contribution to the CPPS Workshop on the Effects of Mariculture in Marine and Coastal Areas Adjacent to the South East Pacific" (Chile, July 1999), the Secretariat prepared a paper entitled : "The mariculture component under the Jakarta Mandate".

29. Cooperation continues with several other Regional Seas Conventions and Action Plans, such as the Cartagena Convention and the Barcelona Convention, and related protocols on marine or coastal biological diversity. The Secretariat was represented at the meeting of Coordinators of Regional Seas Conventions and Action Plans, which took place in the Hague, the Netherlands, in June 1999. At that meeting it was agreed that an umbrella mechanism for overall coordination between the Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity and Regional Seas Conventions and Action Plans should be developed between the former and the Division for Coordination of Environmental Conventions of UNEP. Elements for an agreement of this kind are under preparation.

30. At the invitation of the International Ocean Institute, the Secretariat participated in the workshop on Biodiversity and Climate Impacts in International Waters, in Jamaica, 14-15 August 1999, which was organized prior to the ninth session of the Assembly of the International Sea Bed Authority (ISA). In this session, member countries to ISA agreed to grant observer status to the Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity. The workshop provided the Secretariat with important and up-to-date information relevant to its preparation of a desk study on bio-prospecting of genetic resources of the deep seabed.

31. In relation to the roster of experts on marine and coastal biological diversity, the Jakarta Mandate unit at the Secretariat continues working with the clearing-house mechanism unit in updating the related database. In the mean time, the Secretariat continues receiving submissions from experts in response to the circular letter which the Secretariat sent to all experts and focal points in June 1999, with the objective of obtaining updated information on individual experts as well as to revitalize contacts for future communication. At the current stage, the roster of experts on marine and coastal biological diversity holds 624 names submitted by 74 countries and 1 Regional Economic Integration Organization (EU). Document UNEP/CBD/SBSTTA/5/15, containing information on the management of the roster of experts and a proposal on uniform methodology of its use, is being prepared by the Secretariat to assist the Subsidiary Body at its fifth meeting in its deliberation on this issue.

32. Prior to the fourth meeting of the Conference of the Parties, the Secretariat developed a prototype of a World Wide Web page on the Jakarta Mandate. Following the adoption of the programme of work for the implementation of the Jakarta Mandate by the Conference of the Parties in May 1998, and the launching of several activities by the Secretariat for its implementation, the web page of the Jakarta Mandate was updated. This improved version was made available in August 1999 and can be visited at the following address: <http://www.biodiv.org/jm.html>. The Jakarta Mandate web page contains background information on the process that led to the launching of the Jakarta Mandate on Marine and Coastal Biological Diversity as well as an introduction to the five thematic issues identified by the COP as priority areas for action. It refers to relevant Internet sites, provides information on current events, and identifies key literature and reports on marine and coastal biological diversity.

33. The Secretariat continues receiving support from the Government of Sweden in the implementation of the Jakarta Mandate, in particular through the making available of a senior expert to assist in promoting the Mandate and its programme of work at various international and regional fora and in raising financial support for the implementation of specific activities.

IV/6 AGRICULTURAL BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY

34. In accordance with the complementary COP decisions IV/6 and III/11, the CBD Secretariat, and the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO), in collaboration and other organizations, has carried out the assessment of ongoing activities and existing instruments for the conservation and sustainable use of agricultural biodiversity, based on: (i) national reports from countries submitted to the CBD secretariat, as well as national reports on the implementation of agreed strategies and plans of action; (ii) a survey of international organizations, by which they were invited to provide information on their activities, including case studies, as well as regular reports from such organizations to the Commission on Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture (CGRFA); (iii) workshops such as the International workshop on Pollinators (Sao Paulo, October 1998); the FAO/CBD workshop, supported by the Government of the Netherlands on "Sustaining agricultural biodiversity and agro-ecosystem functions" (Rome, December 1998); and research and updating through the internet and a literature review.

35. A comprehensive compendium of information has been compiled and will be made available through the Clearing House Mechanism. A synthesis of the main findings of the assessment has been prepared, and on the basis of this, a draft programme elements for the further development of the programme of work have been developed. The assessment, and the draft programme elements were reviewed by a Liaison Group of experts drawn from international organizations covering the main disciplines in September 1999. The Liaison Group on agricultural biodiversity thereby assisted the Secretariat, and FAO, to finalize the draft pre-session documents for SBSTTA.

36. In developing the programme elements, particular efforts have been being made to apply the ecosystem approach, in line with the Malawi Principles and as further elaborated in the 3rd UN/Norway Conference on Biological Diversity, Trondheim, and the Liaison Group Meeting on the Ecosystem approach.

IV/7 FOREST BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY

37. The Secretariat has prepared and agreed upon a Memorandum of Understanding with the Centre for International Forestry Research (CIFOR) with a view to strengthening its cooperation with this research center and getting scientific support in the area of forest research, beneficial for the

implementation of the Convention and of the work programme for forest biological diversity, as contained in the annex to decision IV/7 of the Conference of the Parties.

38. Pursuant to paragraph 12 of the preamble to decision IV/7, the Executive Secretary is preparing a note on the "Assessment of status and trends and of identification of options for conservation and sustainable use of forest biological diversity", that will be submitted to the consideration of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Matters, at its fifth meeting.

39. The Secretariat is also updating the roster of experts on forest biological diversity as well as the clearing-house mechanism web page on forest biological diversity.

IV/8 ACCESS AND BENEFIT-SHARING

40. In preparing for the Expert Panel Meeting on Access and Benefit-Sharing to be held in Costa Rica from 4 to 8 October 1999, the Executive Secretary sent another reminder for nomination of experts to the National Focal Points in July. As of 1 August 1999, the Secretariat had received 303 nominations from 83 governments (18 from Africa, 21 from Asia, 11 from CEE, 14 from GRULAC, 19 from WEOG) including 74 experts from Africa, 67 from Asia, 52 from CEE, 42 from GRULAC and 68 from WEOG.

41. On the basis of nominations received from Governments, the Executive Secretary has selected the experts to participate in the meeting. The selection was based on the following criteria: (I) demonstrated expertise and experience in the field of access and benefit-sharing; (II) balanced geographical distribution between and within regions; (III) fair representation of relevant stakeholders: Government, private sector, NGOs; and (IV) gender balance.

42. At the beginning of August 1999, the Secretariat also invited 33 international intergovernmental organizations and regional organizations to nominate representatives to participate in the Expert Panel meeting as observers. As of 31 August 1999, the Secretariat received 19 nominations.

43. Twenty-two information documents for the meeting were sent to the participants on 24 August 1999. English language version of document UNEP/CBD/EP-ABS/1 (Provisional Agenda), UNEP/CBD/EP-ABS/1/Add.1 (Annotated Provisional Agenda), UNEP/CBD/EP-ABS/2 (Options for access and benefit-sharing arrangements) and Draft Guidelines on Access and Benefit-Sharing Regarding the Utilisation of Genetic Resources (submitted by the Swiss Government) were mailed to the participants on 8 September 1999. Spanish and French language versions of the Provisional Agenda and Annotated Provisional Agenda were sent to the participants a week later.

44. Progress was also made towards the finalization of the Agreements with the host country (Costa Rica) and the meeting sponsor (Switzerland).

IV/9 IMPLEMENTATION OF ARTICLE 8(j) AND RELATED PROVISIONS

45. The Secretariat has drafted the element of a proposed programme of work for the consideration for the ad hoc open-ended inter-sessional Working Group to address the implementation of article 8 (j) taking into account the structure proposed in the Madrid report as well as a document on the application and development of legal and other forms of protection for traditional knowledge relevant to the conservation and sustainable use of biological diversity. The synthesis of case studies submitted by governments, international agencies, research institutions, indigenous and local communities and non-governmental

organizations is underway taking into account the structure and five elements provided for in Decision IV/9 paragraph 10. The Secretariat is preparing to hold a Liaison Group meeting to finalize the documentation of the meeting. The Liaison Group meeting will be held in early November 1999.

46. The Secretariat is also updating the roster of experts to include experts on traditional knowledge.

IV/10 MEASURES FOR IMPLEMENTING THE CONVENTION ON BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY

C. Impact assessment and minimizing adverse effects: consideration of measures for the implementation of Article 14

47. The Executive Secretary prepared document UNEP/CBD/SBSTTA/4/10 on "Synthesis of reports and case studies relating to environmental impact assessment", presented to the fourth meeting of SBSTTA, held in Montreal, 21-25 June 1999.

BIOSAFETY UNIT

IV/3 ISSUES RELATED TO BIOSAFETY

48. On 25 May 1999 the COP Bureau met in Geneva to consider what steps were needed to be taken to conclude the negotiations for a protocol on biosafety. They agreed that consultations among various groups were important for the preparations of the resumed session and in particular the Bureau felt that informal consultations between negotiating groups - where possible - should be conducted under the leadership of Mr. Juan Mayr Maldonado, Minister of Environment of Colombia and President of the first Extraordinary Meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity (Ex-COP). The Bureau agreed that an important opportunity for such consultations would be the SBSTTA-4/ISOC meeting (Montreal 21 to 30 June 1999). Accordingly, responding to the recommendation from the Bureau of the COP all Parties and Governments were invited by letter on 31 May 1999 to consult with Minister Mayr on an informal basis immediately after the SBSTTA-4/ISOC by meeting on the morning of 1 July 1999.

49. On 1 July 1999 Minister Mayr chaired an informal consultation in Montreal aimed at planning for the resumed session of the ExCOP to adopt the Biosafety Protocol. At this meeting, representatives of all of the negotiating groups expressed a clear and unequivocal commitment to have a Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety to the Convention on Biological Diversity. Furthermore, all participants expressed their will to resolve the core and related issues and to reach agreement regarding the solutions to key outstanding issues at a further informal consultation. To this end, it was agreed that, an open-ended informal intergovernmental consultation would be held in September 1999.

50. The Groups present during the 1st July 1999 consultation agreed that as far as the scope of the September consultations is concerned, the agreement reached in Cartagena as outlined in decision EM-I/1 would be the basis of the informal consultation.

51. On 11 August 1999 the COP Bureau held a teleconference and decided that the informal biosafety consultations would be held at the Vienna International Centre, Austria, from 15 to 19 September 1999. The Bureau also endorsed Minister Mayr's proposal that the consultations take place over a period of five days. The first two days would be devoted to consultations within the negotiating groups in order to

explore positions within groups. The third day would be set aside for informal exchanges between the groups. The last two days would be devoted to resolving differences on the pending core and related issues under the chairmanship of Minister Mayr and would be structured on the same basis as was used at the ExCOP meeting in Cartagena. Therefore, notwithstanding the fact that all governments are invited to attend the consultations, only designated spokespersons from the five negotiating groups would make interventions.

52. As financial provision had not been made in the budget for the informal consultations, the Bureau agreed that in addition to any voluntary contributions the surplus from the recent June 1999 SBSTTA-4 and ISOC meetings could be used to meet any shortfalls regarding funding for the informal consultations.

IMPLEMENTATION AND COMMUNICATION DIVISION

IV/2 REVIEW OF THE OPERATIONS OF THE CLEARING-HOUSE MECHANISM

53. Based on decision IV/2 an open and transparent process to conduct the Independent Review of the Pilot Phase of the Clearing-House Mechanism (CHM) was established. The active participation and involvement of the CHM Informal Advisory Committee (IAC), the CHM National Focal Points and CHM partners has been one of the most important achievements of this process. The process has yielded 3 fundamental tools for the development and implementation of the Convention and its CHM, namely the report of the independent review, a strategic plan and a long-term programme of work. These documents will be discussed at the next SBSTTA 5 and COP 5 meetings.

54. A special meeting of the CHM National Focal Points was convened during SBSTTA 4. Fruitful discussions on the CHM implementation at the national level and on the Independent Review process were held on 21 June 1999.

55. To date a total of 137 CHM National Focal Points have been officially designated, of whom 104 have established e-mail addresses and 41 have developed their web sites. A total of 69 National Focal Points have received financial support from GEF. An average of US \$ 11,661 has been disbursed per project.

56. In addition to their very significant involvement in the independent review process, the IAC held meetings before and during the SBSTTA 4 event. At the generous invitation of, and with financial support from the European Community-CHM, the IAC will hold its last meeting in Copenhagen (20-22 September 1999) to conclude the discussion of the report of the independent review of the pilot phase, the strategic plan and the long-term programme of work. The IAC members will also discuss the draft CHM paper and proposed recommendations for the next SBSTTA 5 meeting.

57. The CHM Unit has developed new web sites on the biosafety consultations, biodiversity key words, CBD notifications, experts panels on access and benefit sharing and coral bleaching, liaison groups on agro-biodiversity, ecosystem approach, indicators and drylands, protected areas, tourism as well as for the SBSTTA 5 and COP 5 meetings.

58. As per the request of the Parties, publicly accessible electronic databases on the roster of experts and National Focal Points have been developed and updated. The database on the roster of experts contains information on the designated experts in the field of Access and Benefit Sharing, Agro-biodiversity, Forests, Indicators, Inland Waters and Marine and Coastal Biodiversity.

59. The CHM web pages are currently being reviewed based on feedback received from National Focal Points and other CHM users. A more user-friendly system will be available soon. Areas under review include layout consistency, ease of access to relevant information, loading time, multi-lingual support (English, Spanish and French), improved search capabilities and dynamic contents (on-line databases).

60. Over and above the CHM presentations made at the Cyber-cafe organized during SBSTTA 4, the CD-ROM tool kit was successfully launched. The tool kit will assist the CHM National Focal Points in a very user friendly manner to prepare and design their own web pages and web sites.

61. The fifth issue of the DISSEMINATOR, the CHM newsletter, containing the latest updates on the national and regional implementation of the CHM and other relevant news, was distributed during SBSTTA 4. The draft for the next coming issue of the CHM newsletter is ready. Its distribution using electronic and non-electronic means has been scheduled for October 1999.

62. The updated version of the CHM User's Guide is currently under preparation, it will be available in English, French and Spanish and will be launched at the SBSTTA 5 meeting.

IV/14 NATIONAL REPORTS BY PARTIES

63. One additional national report has been received since the last quarterly report was prepared. The total number of reports received, therefore stands at 113, comprised of 77 full reports and 36 interim or draft reports. See Annex IX attached. All national reports received have been posted on the Secretariat's website and users are now able to search the collection of reports for keywords and phrases.

64. The Secretariat regularly receives requests from Parties for information on completed national biodiversity strategies and action plans of other Parties. Generally, countries that have finalised their national strategy and action plan do not inform the Secretariat of this or make copies of the strategy and action plan document available, although a few have done so. Work is underway to identify countries where national strategies and action plans have been adopted and to obtain copies of the final documents. The Secretariat has sought the assistance of Parties through their national focal points, as well as delegates to the meeting of SBSTTA and to the Inter-sessional Meeting on the Operations of the Convention to provide details of completed strategies and information on how to obtain copies.

65. Despite the limited response, the Secretariat is developing a database of strategies and action plans to be made available shortly on its website. This will include electronic versions, where available, or details of how to obtain hard copies. The Secretariat is also playing an active role in the Project Oversight Committee of the UNDP-UNEP Biodiversity Planning Support Programme and has indicated its readiness to support the 'Service to implement biodiversity strategies and action plans' to be developed by the UNEP Regional Office for Europe with IUCN, the European Centre for Nature Conservation and the Regional Environment Centre (Hungary). Both initiatives seek to assist Parties at regional levels with implementation of Article 6, through access to information, sharing of experiences, capacity building and provision of expertise in biodiversity planning.

66. The Executive Secretary will prepare for the fifth meeting of SBSTTA a note addressing the issues arising from the first set of national reports and guidelines for future national reports, as requested in decision IV/14.

67. As previously reported, the Secretariat is undertaking a pilot project on assessing the state of implementation of the Convention. This project involves the voluntary participation of nine Parties, who have agreed to review their first reports against a matrix to be developed under the project, and to participate in an analysis of the conclusions of this exercise. The Parties taking part are Canada, Ecuador, Finland, Indonesia, Malawi, Norway, Seychelles, Slovenia, and the United Kingdom. The project seeks to identify the nature of the information needed from Parties in order to assess the state of implementation of the Convention, and ways and means to further facilitate national implementation (decision IV/14, paragraph 3). The background to the initiative was presented by the Secretariat and the Parties involved at a side event during the fourth meeting of SBSTTA and was well received. The results of this project will be made available to the fifth meeting of SBSTTA.

68. Work continues on preparing the first draft of the Global Biodiversity Outlook (GBO). It is hoped to have a full first draft completed and reviewed by the end of the year, with the aim of publication in May 2000 at the fifth meeting of the Conference of the Parties. An advisory committee will be established by the Executive Secretary to review the draft report, which will then be submitted to the bureaux of SBSTTA and the Conference of the Parties in early 2000 for clearance for publication.

IV/11 REVIEW OF THE EFFECTIVENESS OF THE FINANCIAL MECHANISM AND

IV/13 ADDITIONAL GUIDANCE TO THE FINANCIAL MECHANISM

69. The Secretariat has communicated the schedule for preparing documentation of the fifth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Secretariat of the Global Environment Facility (GEF) in August 1999.

70. The Secretariat has continued its efforts to enhance co-operation with the GEF and its Secretariat. For the past quarter, the Secretariat has provided written comments on six GEF biodiversity project proposals with a view to promoting consistency with the guidance of the Conference of the Parties. On 30 August 1999, the CBD Secretariat and GEF officials held a meeting in Montreal, to review the implementation of relevant decisions adopted by the Conference of the Parties and consider future cooperation.

71. The Secretariat has undertaken preparation of background documentation on the terms of reference for the second review of the effectiveness of the financial mechanism and further guidance to the financial mechanism in accordance with paragraphs 3 and 4 of decision IV/11. The Secretariat has compiled relevant information to assist Parties in the consideration of the terms of reference for the second review. It has also assessed the need for further guidance to the financial mechanism and possible implications including relation to previous guidance and impacts on the implementation of previous guidance. Initial drafts of these documents have been prepared and the Secretariat is consulting with relevant stakeholders, including the Global Environment Facility, on these two issues.

IV/12 ADDITIONAL FINANCIAL RESOURCES

72. The Secretariat has been actively involved in the development of a biodiversity marker within the Credit Reporting System (CRS) of the Development Assistance Committee of the Organization of Economic Co-operation and Development, and made substantial inputs to the development of a reporting format under the biodiversity marker. A biodiversity marker system was introduced by the DAC/CRS, and a pilot reporting process was initiated. The Secretariat also invited developed country Parties and funding

institutions to submit their views on standardized information in the course of June and July 1999, and has been in contact with the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change with regard to their approaches to reporting requirements.

73. The Secretariat conducted an analysis of information provided in the first reports from Parties. Among the twenty-two reports, eighteen contain information with respect to their development co-operation related to biological diversity, seven providing quantitative figures on biodiversity funding, and three having information for estimating the relative significance of biodiversity-related funding in official development assistance. The Secretariat has invited Parties to submit additional information regarding financial resources.

74. The Secretariat invited submissions from relevant organisations, Convention secretariats and other entities. Responses were received from the following organizations: AusAID (Australia); Austrian Development Co-operation; Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA); European Commission; Department of International Development Co-operation, Finland; Agence Française de Développement (AFD); Deutsche Gesellschaft für Technische Zusammenarbeit (GTZ); Japan International Cooperation agency (JICA); Lux-Development S.A. (Luxembourg); New Zealand official Development Assistance (NZODA); Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency (Sida); Direction du développement et de la coopération (SDC); U.S. Agency for International Development; Asian Development Bank; European Investment Bank; European Bank for Reconstruction and Development; Inter-American Development Bank; International Monetary Fund (IMF); The United Nations University; United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO); UNESCO; FAO; union internationale pour la protection des obtentions végétales (UPOV); World Intellectual Property Organisation (WIPO); World Food Programme (WFP); World Trade Organisation (WTO); International Tropical Timber Organization (ITTO, Japan); Caribbean Community Secretariat (Guyana); Council of Europe; Organisation de coopération et de développement économiques (OECD); Organization des États Américains (OAS); Programme régional océanien de l'environnement (SPREP); Southern Africa Development Community (SADC); Africa Resources Trust (Zimbabwe); BirdLife International (United Kingdom); Botanic Gardens Conservation International (UK); CABI Biosciences (UK); The Edmonds Institute (U.S.A.); Green Industry Biotechnology Platform (The Netherlands); Greenpeace International; International Centre for Genetic Engineering and Biotechnology (Italy); International Council for the Exploration of the Sea (Denmark); International Institute for Environment and Development (UK); Convention on the Conservation of European Wildlife and Natural Habitats (Bern Convention); Secretariat of the Convention to Combat Desertification. The Secretariat is assessing, and will report on, the information received.

75. The Secretariat participated in the fourth International Conference of the Insurance Industry Initiative in Oslo on 10-11 June 1999. The Secretariat has conducted a study on how the financial sector could support the objectives of the Convention. The Secretariat has also conducted a case study on private grant-making foundations with respect to their support to biodiversity. It is concluded that the financial sector and charitable organisations could be made more supportive of the Convention.

IV/15 THE RELATIONSHIP OF THE CONVENTION ON BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY WITH THE COMMISSION ON SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT AND BIODIVERSITY-RELATED CONVENTIONS, OTHER INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENTS, INSTITUTIONS AND PROCESSES OF RELEVANCE

76. Implementation of this decision and co-operation in general forms a central element of the entire programme of work for the Convention and the Secretariat. Consequently, this section only highlights important activities not covered in other sections.

77. The Secretariat has developed a Global Biodiversity Calendar of Events, which contains details of relevant meetings organised by other processes. An important reason for the Calendar is not only to promote co-ordination and co-operation between the Convention and other processes but also to facilitate the contribution of other processes to the work of the Convention.

78. The Secretariat supported and participated in a project on harmonising the reporting requirements of Biodiversity-Related Conventions (CITES, CMS, Ramsar Convention and the World Heritage Convention). The World Conservation Monitoring Centre completed an initial feasibility study the results of which were considered at a meeting in early October for the Secretariat Information Managers. Follow-up to the results of this initiative are expected to form the framework of the Secretariat's activities in this area for the foreseeable future. The first steps in these joint efforts have included, inter alia, the establishment by the Secretariat of an electronic listserv and a joint Internet webpage.

79. During the period of this report the Secretariat has assisted in the preparations of a series of Global Biodiversity Forums. It supported the 10th Global Biodiversity Forum immediately prior to COP-4, with the Executive Secretary participating in the final session of the meeting. It also provided support for the Forum, which was held immediately prior to SBSTTA-4. The Secretariat also participated in meetings of the Steering Committee for the Forum.

80. The Secretariat has also continued its participation with the Inter-Agency Committee for Sustainable Development in order to assist with preparations for meetings of the CSD and other related matters covered by this Committee. For example, the Secretariat made inputs to the report of the Secretary-General on tourism and sustainable development and on oceans and seas through ACC Subcommittee on Oceans and Coastal Areas. The Secretariat follows developments related to a possible forum on issues related to oceans and coasts that may be established in the context of the UN General Assembly, following a recommendation of CSD at its seventh session.

81. The Secretariat has prepared two submissions to the WTO's Committee on Trade and Environment (CTE). The first described the relevant decisions of COP-4 (see document WT/CTE/W/92). The second responded to a series of questions provided by the Chair of the CTE and was prepared for the CTE meeting of July 1999. The Secretariat has also requested observer status in the TRIPs Council and Committee on Agriculture. In response to a request from TRIPs Council, the Secretariat provided factual information on activities of the Convention of relevance to the WTO for preliminary consideration in the review of Article 27.3(b) this year.

82. The Secretariat has maintained regular contact with UNESCO and its IOC, UN/DOALOS, as well as UNEP's Regional Seas Secretariats and several other international and regional organizations, with a view to promoting the implementation of the Jakarta Mandate on Marine and Coastal Biological Diversity. It has also raised with DOALOS the issue of access to the genetic resources of the deep seabed in line with decision II/10.

83. Many elements of decision IV/16 with respect to the operations of the Convention and its future programme of work, have been covered in other parts of this report, notably the revised modus operandi of the SBSTTA which has been applied to the preparation to SBSTTA-4 and preparations for SBSTTA-5.

84. The intersessional meeting on the operations of the Convention (ISOC) was held from 28-30 June 1999. The meeting adopted a number of recommendations for submission to COP-5 on matters such as the periodicity of COP and SBSTTA meetings, a strategic plan for the Convention, further improvements in the operations of SBSTTA, the introduction of a notification system, and measures on implementation. However, a number of elements of these recommendations remain under discussion.

85. Following consultation with the Bureau, the draft Handbook on the Convention on Biological Diversity was circulated to Parties and interested organizations on the margins of the ISOC meeting. Comments were requested by 1 October 1999. The Handbook includes the text of the Convention, COP decisions and other material relevant to the operations of the Convention. It is anticipated that drafting of the document will be finalized by the end of October 1999.

86. Pursuant to part VIII, on Cooperation with other bodies, of annex I to decision IV/16, the SCBD had a meeting in Geneva with a representative of CITES in July 1999 to learn more about the notification system of the latter and benefit by its experience. CITES notifications address various information types, including: announcements from Parties in relation to their implementation of the Convention; announcements from the Secretariat for meetings and vacancy announcements, appointments, press releases, list of memoranda; executive summaries of COP resolutions. The matter of indicators and better implementation of the CBD/CITES memorandum of cooperation was also discussed.

87. In July 1999, at UNEP ROE/Geneva, the Secretariat met the Congolese Minister of the Environment. The latter expressed satisfaction and gratitude for the support received to date through the development of the National Biological Diversity Strategy and Action Plan (NBSAP). Additional support will be welcomed to help to implement the National Plan and mitigate ecological disasters caused by the influx of refugees particularly in the national parks in Eastern Congo through the development of biodiversity programmes.

88. Also in July 1999, the SCBD met with some representatives of the World Conservation Union (IUCN) in Geneva, to explore the type of support (e.g. peer review, documents, etc.) the Secretariat can benefit from, particularly in relation to the forthcoming fifth meeting of SBSTTA, as well as ways to strengthen cooperation between the two organisations. Areas of common interest were identified in: indicators, assessment of biodiversity, sustainable use, ecosystem approach, alien species, inland waters, marine and coastal biodiversity, forests, drylands, national reporting, and protected areas.

89. The Secretariat also had a meeting with representatives of the World Wildlife Fund for Nature (WWF) in July 1999 to explore ways of strengthening cooperation, in particular in the areas of forests, ecosystem approach, and protected areas.

ANNEX I

STATUS OF IMPLEMENTATION OF THE AGREED ADMINISTRATION ARRANGEMENTS

I Personnel Arrangements

1. The COP approved 27 Professional posts and 20 General Services posts for the biennium 1999-2000. All these posts have been classified and advertised. The recruitment process is underway as reflected in the staff list (Appendix 1).

II Contributions and Funds

2. In addition to the pledges and contributions of additional voluntary funds in support of approved activities under the Convention (BE Trust Fund) reported on in the last Quarterly Report, Switzerland has pledged funds to support the Expert Panel on Access and Benefits Sharing scheduled to take place in Costa Rica from 4 to 8 October 1999, and France has pledged funds to support the Liaison Group Meeting on the Ecosystems Approach which is scheduled to take place in Paris, 15-17 September 1999. Additionally, pledges have been received from the USA, the IUCN, and ICRI for funding of a Liaison Group Meeting on Coral Bleaching, scheduled to take place in the Philippines from 11-13 October 1999. The following countries and organisations have so far pledged funds to the BE Trust Fund in 1999: Australia; Canada; Colombia; Sweden; the United Kingdom and the Food and Agriculture Organisation (FAO).
3. The total amount pledged for 1998 to the BE Trust Fund was US\$755,979. As at 31 August 1999, total unpaid pledges to the BE Trust Fund for 1998 and prior years is US\$7,210. For 1999 a total of US\$699,195 has so far been pledged. US\$639,932 of this amount has been collected. The outstanding balance for 1999 is US\$59,233. Total unpaid pledges for 1999 and prior years is therefore US\$66,432. Full details of the pledges and contributions to the BE Trust Fund are reflected in Annex III.
4. With regard to the General Trust Fund for the Convention (BY Trust Fund), as at 31 August 1999, of the total pledged contributions of US\$5,963,226 for 1998, the total contributions received amounts to US\$5,623,541 or 94%. Total unpaid pledges to the BY Trust Fund for 1998 and prior years amounts to US\$1,304,111. The total amount pledged for the BY Trust Fund in 1999 is US\$6,849,995. Of this amount, US\$4,884,241 or 71% has already been received. Total unpaid pledges to the BY Trust Fund for 1999 amounts to US\$1,965,754. Total unpaid pledges for 1999 and prior years is therefore US\$3,269,865. Full details of the pledges and contributions to the BY Trust Fund are reflected in Annex V.
5. As at 31 August 1999, a total of US\$890,724 has been pledged for 1999 as additional voluntary contributions to facilitate the Participation of Parties in the Convention process (BZ Trust Fund). This sum includes pledges from Australia, Austria, Canada, Central African Republic, Denmark, European Commission, Germany, Ireland, Kenya, Namibia, New Zealand, Norway, Sweden, Switzerland and the United Kingdom .

6. Contributions totalling US\$1,291,624 were pledged in 1998 for the BZ Trust Fund. Total unpaid pledges for 1998 and prior years to the BZ Trust Fund is US\$250,525. New pledges to the BZ Trust Fund in 1999 amount to US\$890,724. Of this amount, US\$595,655 has already been received. A total of US\$295,069 remains outstanding for the BZ Trust Fund for 1999. Total unpaid pledges for 1999 and prior years is therefore US\$545,594. Full details of the pledges and contributions to the BZ Trust Fund are reflected in Annex IV. See Appendix 2 for the status of the BE, BY and BZ Trust Funds as at 31 August 1999.
7. The Trustees sent invoices in 1999 to the 174 Parties to the Convention listed in Appendix 1 to Annex 1, Part A of Decision III/24, inviting them to pay their contributions to the Trust Fund for 1998, 1999 and 2000. The Statement of Contributions to the CBD Trust Fund, as provided by the Trustee as at 31 August 1999 is attached as Annex V to this report.

III Budget

8. In keeping with the Administrative Arrangements, the Executive Secretary has prepared draft allotments and staffing tables for activities under the Convention's budget for final approval by the Executive Director of UNEP. Of the total 1999 budget of US\$8,303,000 approved by COP-IV, \$7,825,033 has already been committed by the Secretariat for 1999 activities. These commitments include staff salaries, consultants, conference servicing, travel, sub-contracts, equipment, reporting costs and communications. It is expected that the balance of the funds will be committed before the end of the year.

VI Accounting and Reporting

Reimbursement for Services provided to the Secretariat

9. At present three UNEP staff members, the Chief, Fund Management and Administration, the Administrative Officer and the Finance Assistant are funded from the programme support funds (PSC). Additionally, UNEP has provided funding for five (5) more general service administrative staff to be paid from PSC.

Conference and Other Services

10. UNEP/UNON in full co-operation with the Executive Secretary of the CBD has facilitated the co-ordination and provision of conference services to the Fourth Meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice (SBSTTA-4), Montreal 21-25 June 1999, and the Intersessional Meeting on the Operations of the Convention (ISOC), Montreal, 28-30 June 1999.

Appendix 1

STAFFING TABLE OF THE SECRETARIAT OF THE
CONVENTION ON BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY

As at 31 August 1999

| PROFESSIONAL STAFF | | | |
|--------------------|-------|--------------------------------------|---|
| Post # | Level | Title | Remarks |
| 1101 | D2 | Executive Secretary | Mr. H. Zedan (Regularized) |
| 1102 | D1 | Principal Officer (EDM/SS) | Mr. O. Jalbert (Regularized) |
| 1103 | D1 | Principal Off. (STTM) | Mr. K. Mulongoy (Regularized) |
| 1104 | P5 | Senior Prog. Officer (Biosafety) | Ms. C. Sendashonga (Regularized) |
| 1105 | D1 | Principal Officer (I&C) | Post to be re-advertised. |
| 1106 | P4 | Chief, Fund & Admin. (SS) | Ms. M. Rattray – (Regularized) (Post Funded by UNEP - OTL) |
| 1107 | P4 | Financial Resources Instr., PO (I&C) | Mr. S. Johnston (Regularized) |
| 1108 | P4 | Legal Officer (EDM) | Mr. D.Ogolla (Regularized) |
| 1109 | P4 | Economist (STTM) | Vacant - Post advertised |
| 1110 | P4 | Terr. Ecosystems, PO (STTM) | Mr. J-P. Le Danff (Regularized) |
| 1111 | P4 | Agric. BD, PO (STTM) | Mr. D. Cooper (Regularized) (Post funded by FAO) |
| 1112 | P4 | Marine & Coastal BD, PO (STTM) | Mr. S. Arico (Regularized) (Post funded by UNESCO) |
| 1113 | P4 | CHM, PO (I&C) | Mr. M. Auer (Regularized) |
| 1114 | P3 | Special Assistant Exec. Sec.(EDM) | Ms. M. Soliman (Regularized) |
| 1115 | P4 | Indigenous Knowl. PO (STTM) | Vacant - Post advertised |
| 1116 | P4 | Reports & Reviews, PO (I&C) | Mr. A. Gross (Regularized) |
| 1117 | P3 | Documentation Officer (SS) | Mr. Z. Bamba (Regularized) |
| 1118 | P3 | Mtgs. Service Officer (SS) | Ms. S. Muterabayire (Regularized) |
| 1119 | P3 | Information Officer (I&C) | Ms. B. Torres (Regularized) |
| 1120 | P3 | Internet & Elect. Comm. (I&C) | Mr. O. De Munck (Regularized) |
| 1121 | P3 | Jakarta Mandate, PO (STTM) | Ms. I. Pranoto (Regularized) |
| 1122 | P3 | Financial Resources, PO (I/C) | Mr. Y. Xiang (Regularized) |
| 1123 | P3 | Repts/Reviews Env. Aff. Off (I&C) | Vacant (Post to be funded by the Government of QUEBEC) |
| 1124 | P3 | Administrative Officer (SS) | Ms. N. Patel (Regularized) (Post funded by UNEP (OTL) |
| 1125 | P4 | Regulatory Scientist - (Biosafety) | Vacant (Post to be funded by the Government of QUEBEC) |
| 1126 | P2 | Asso. Envir.Affairs Off. (Biosafety) | Ms. A. Gupte (Regularized) |
| 1127 | P2 | Asso. Legal Affairs Off. (Biosafety) | Mr. T. Yongo (Regularized) |
| 1128 | P2 | Asso. Computer Syst. Officer (I&C) | Mr. Q. Nguyen (Regularized) |
| 1130 | L2 | JPO, STTM | Ms. B. DiGiovanni (Post funded by Italy) |
| 1131 | P4 | Inland Waters, PO (STTM) | Vacant - Post to be re-advertised |
| 1132 | P4 | Scientific, Tech. Assessment (STTM) | Mr. A. Alm (Regularized) |
| 1133 | P3 | Access & Benefit Sharing (STTM) | Post re-advertised. |
| 1134 | P3 | Scientific, Tech Info (Biosafety) | Post being reviewed by APB |
| 1135 | P4 | Editor (SS) | Mr. J. Fry (Regularized) |
| 1136 | P2 | Associate Finance Officer (SS) | Ms. T.C. Fon Sing (being recruited) Post funded by UNEP (OTL) |

| 1137 | P4 | Taxonomy, PO (STTM) | Mr. I Cresswell (being recruited) Post funded by Australia & Sweden |
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| Notes: | | | |
| From the SCBD budget : | | | |
| 21 posts are encumbered by regularized staff members; | | | |
| 4 posts are being re-advertised; 1 post pending decision by APB; 1 post pending classification by NY | | | |
| From Other Sources of Funding: | | | |
| 7 posts encumbered by regularized staff members (posts funded by UNEP, FAO, UNESCO, Italy, Australia, Sweden) | | | |
| 2 Vacant (Quebec) | | | |
| GENERAL SERVICE STAFF | | | |
| Post # | Level | Title | Remarks |
| 1301 | G8 | Finance Assistant (SS) | Mr. L. Cafe (Regularized) -Funded by UNEP |
| 1302 | G7 | Secretary to Exec. Sec. (EDM) | Ms. V. Pasquariello-Romito – (short-term) |
| 1303 | G6 | Secretary to Principal Off. (EDM) | Ms. F. Velarde (Regularized) |
| 1304 | G7 | Prog. Assistant - (STTM) | Mr. D. Hamel (Regularized) |
| 1305 | G7 | Prog. Assistant - (STTM) | Ms. I. Anderson (Regularized) |
| 1306 | G7 | Prog. Assistant - (I&C) | Ms. S. Penney (Regularized) |
| 1307 | G7 | Prog. Assistant - (Biosafety) | Ms. D. Stepic (Regularized) |
| 1308 | G7 | Prog. Assistant - (I&C) | Ms. M. Chiasson (Regularized) |
| 1309 | G7 | Prog. Assistant - (STTM) | Mr. J. Ho Yoon (Regularized) |
| 1310 | G6 | Admin Assistant - (SS) | Mr. A. Yesli (short-term) |
| 1311 | G7 | Travel Assistant - (SS) | Ms. R. Rabbath (Regularized) |
| 1312 | G7 | Personnel Assistant - (SS) | Vacant |
| 1313 | G6 | Secretary - (STTM) | Ms. V. Allain (Regularized) |
| 1314 | G6 | Secretary - (I&C) | Ms. J. Huppe (Regularized) |
| 1315 | G6 | Information Assistant (EDM) | Ms. M. Ocampo (Regularized) |
| 1316 | G7 | Computer Op. Assistant (I&C) | Mr. F. Dejon (Regularized) |
| 1317 | G4 | Receptionist (SS) | Ms. L. Boutin (Regularized) |
| 1318 | G4 | Messenger (SS) | Ms. M. Harrison (Regularized) |
| 1319 | G6 | Secretary (Biosafety) | Ms. L. Rubello (Being reviewed by APP) |
| 1329 | G7 | Prog. Assistant - (CHM) | Mr. H. Perea (Regularized) |
| 1331 | G7 | Prog. Assistant - (STTM, Economics) | Ms. G. Dosen (Regularized) |
| 1332 | G5 | Contributions Assistant - (SS) | Mr. D. de Guzman (short-term). Funded by UNEP(OTL) |
| 1333 | G5 | Fund Mgmt Assistant - (SS) | Ms. M. Crespo (short-term). Funded by UNEP(OTL) |
| Notes: | | | |
| From the SCBD budget : | | | |
| 16 posts are encumbered by regularized staff members; | | | |
| 1 case pending decision of APP | | | |
| 1 post vacant and 1 post encumbered by a s/m on a short-term contract and 1 post filled by a s/m on loan | | | |
| From the UNEP (OTL) budget : | | | |
| 3 posts. (1 is encumbered by a staff member on loan from ICAO; 2 have temporary staff) | | | |

Appendix 2

GENERAL TRUST FUND
FOR ADDITIONAL VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS
IN SUPPORT OF APPROVED ACTIVITIES
UNDER THE CONVENTION ON BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY (BE)

Status as at 31 August 1999

| <u>COMMITTABLE RESOURCES FOR 1998/1999:</u> | US\$ |
|--|------------------|
| Balance available as at 01 January 1998 | 257,568 |
| Contributions Received in 1998/1999 | 1,542,690 |
| Interest Accrued in 1998/99 | 21,015 |
| Adjustment to correct wrong income in 1997 | (200,000) |
| A. Committable Resources | 1,621,273 |
| <u>ALLOCATION:</u> | |
| Allocation issued by the Executive Director in 1998 | 1,413,417 |
| <u>APPROVED COMMITMENTS:</u> | |
| Approved Commitments for 1998/1999 | 1,168,005 |
| Approved Provisions for Programme Support Costs (PSC) for 1998/99 | 151,841 |
| B. Total Approved Commitments & PSC for 1998/1999 | 1,319,991 |
| C. Balance Available after Commitment (A-B) | 301,428 |
| <u>PROPOSED COMMITMENTS:</u> | |
| Proposed Commitments for 1999/2000 | 412,946 |
| Approved Provisions for Programme Support Costs (PSC) for 1999/2000 | 53,683 |
| D. Total Proposed Commitments & PSC | 466,629 |
| E. Total Approved & Proposed Commitments & PSC provisions (B+D) | 1,786,475 |
| F. Balance Available after Commitments and Proposal (A-E) ** | (165,202) |

* See details of contributions to the BE Trust Fund in Annex III to this report

** Payment of outstanding pledges expected

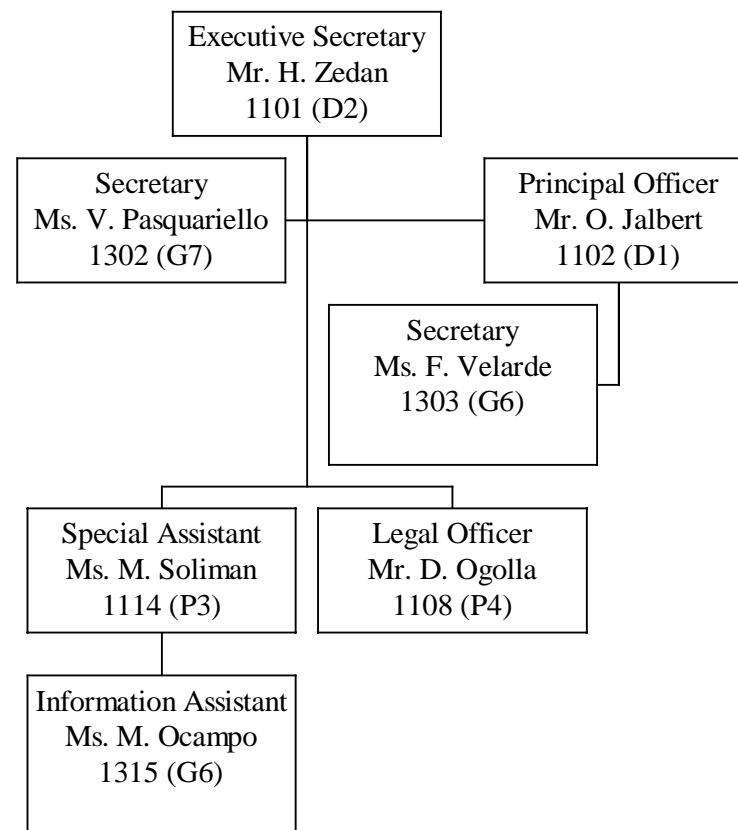
| GENERAL TRUST FUND FOR THE CONVENTION ON BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY (BY) | |
|--|------------|
| Status as at 31 August 1999 | |
| <u>COMMITABLE RESOURCES FOR 1998/1999:</u> | US\$ |
| Balance available as at 01 January 1998 | 6,704,669 |
| Contributions Received in 1998/1999 | 11,374,727 |
| Interest Accrued in 1998/99 | 384,320 |
| A. Commitable Resources | 18,463,716 |
| <u>ALLOCATION:</u> | |
| Allocation issued by the Executive Director in 1998 | 14,122,691 |
| <u>APPROVED COMMITMENTS:</u> | |
| Approved Commitments for 1998/1999 | 11,013,061 |
| Approved Provisions for Programme Support Costs (PSC) for 1998/99 | 1,431,698 |
| B. Total Approved Commitments & PSC for 1998/1999 | 12,444,759 |
| C. Balance Available after Commitment (A-B) | 6,018,957 |
| <u>PROPOSED COMMITMENTS:</u> | |
| Proposed Commitments for 1999/2000 | 5,738,292 |
| Approved Provisions for Programme Support Costs (PSC) for 1999/00 | 745,978 |
| D. Total Proposed Commitments & PSC for 1999/2000 | 6,484,270 |
| E. Total Approved & Proposed Commitments & PSC provisions (B+D) | 18,929,029 |
| F. Balance Available after Commitments and Proposal (A-E) | (465,313) |

| GENERAL TRUST FUND FOR ADDITIONAL VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS TO FACILITATE THE PARTICIPATION OF PARTIES IN THE PROCESS OF THE CONVENTION ON BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY (BZ) | |
|---|-----------|
| Status as at 31 August 1999 | |
| <u>COMMITTABLE RESOURCES FOR 1998/1999:</u> | US\$ |
| Balance available as at 01 January 1998 | (9,520) |
| Contributions Received in 1998/1999 | 2,530,957 |
| Interest Accrued in 1998/99 | 66,330 |
| A. Committable Resources | 2,587,767 |
| <u>ALLOCATION:</u> | |
| Allocation issued by the Executive Director in 1998 | 2,168,049 |
| <u>APPROVED COMMITMENTS:</u> | |
| Approved Commitments for 1998/1999 | 1,694,160 |
| Approved Provisions for Programme Support Costs (PSC) for 1998/99 | 220,242 |
| B. Total Approved Commitments & PSC for 1998/1999 | 1,914,402 |
| C. Balance Available after Commitment (A-B) | 673,365 |
| <u>PROPOSED COMMITMENTS:</u> | |
| Proposed Commitments for 1999/2000 | 647,398 |
| Approved Provisions for Programme Support Costs (PSC) for 1999/00 | 84,162 |
| D. Total Proposed Commitments & PSC for 1999/2000 | 731,560 |
| E. Total Approved & Proposed Commitments & PSC provisions (B+D) | 2,645,961 |
| F. Balance Available after Commitments and Proposal (A-E) ** | (58,195) |

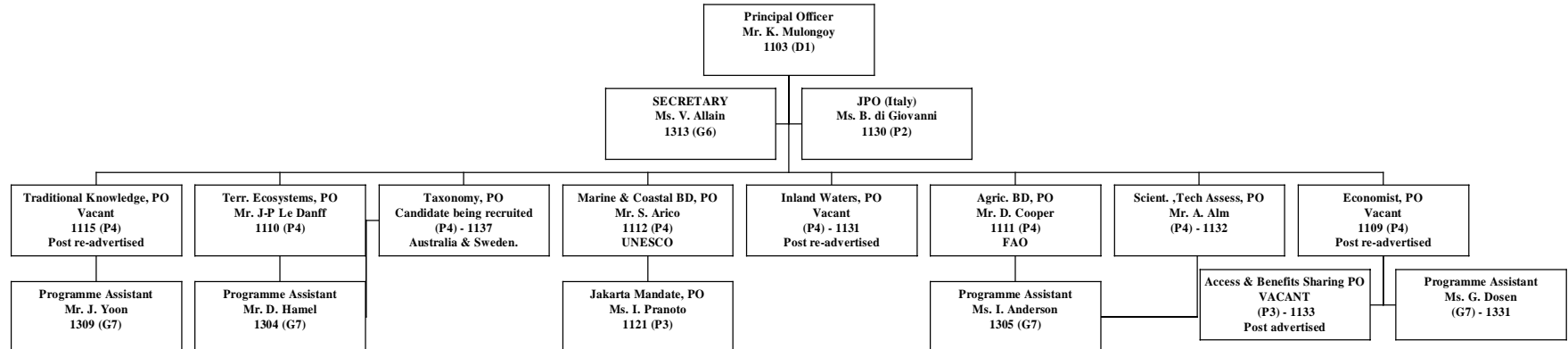
* See details of contributions to the BZ Trust Fund in Annex VI to this report

** Payment of outstanding pledges expected

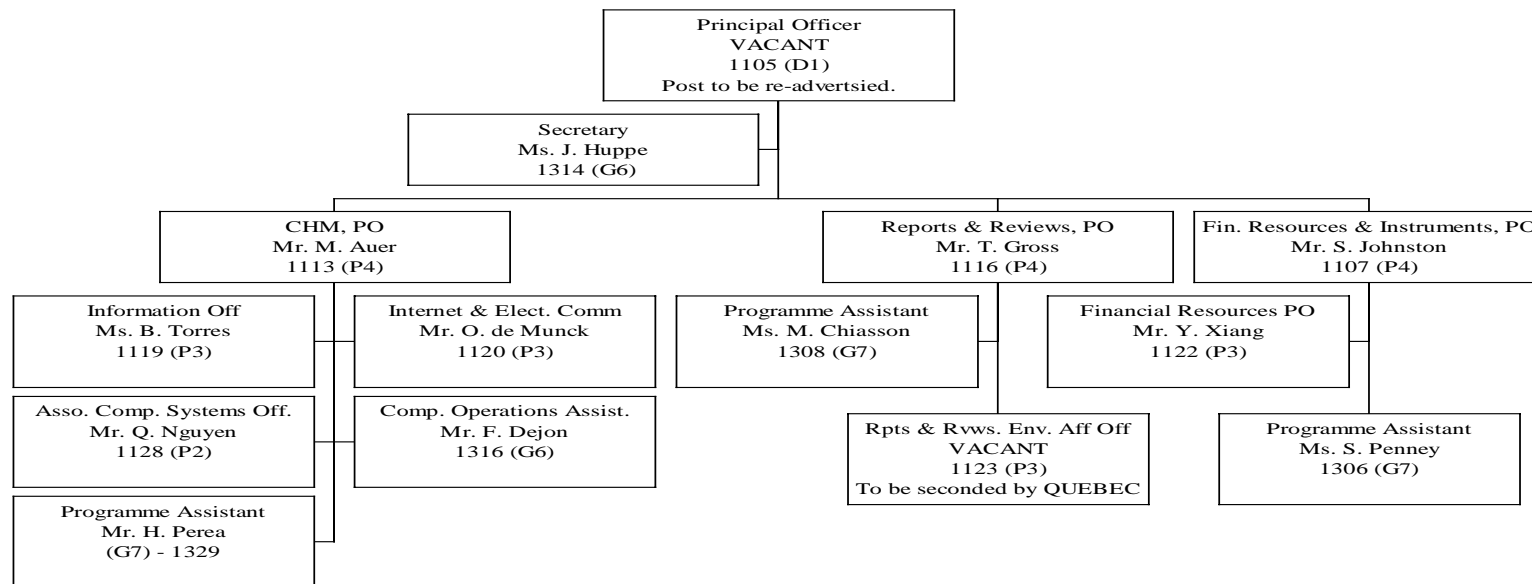
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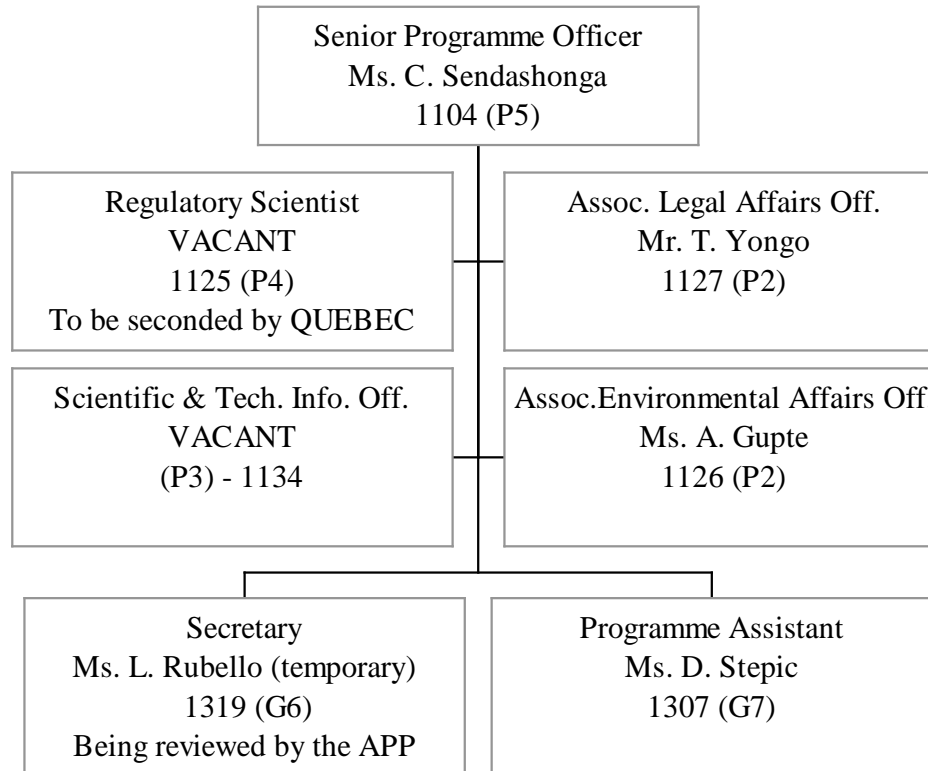
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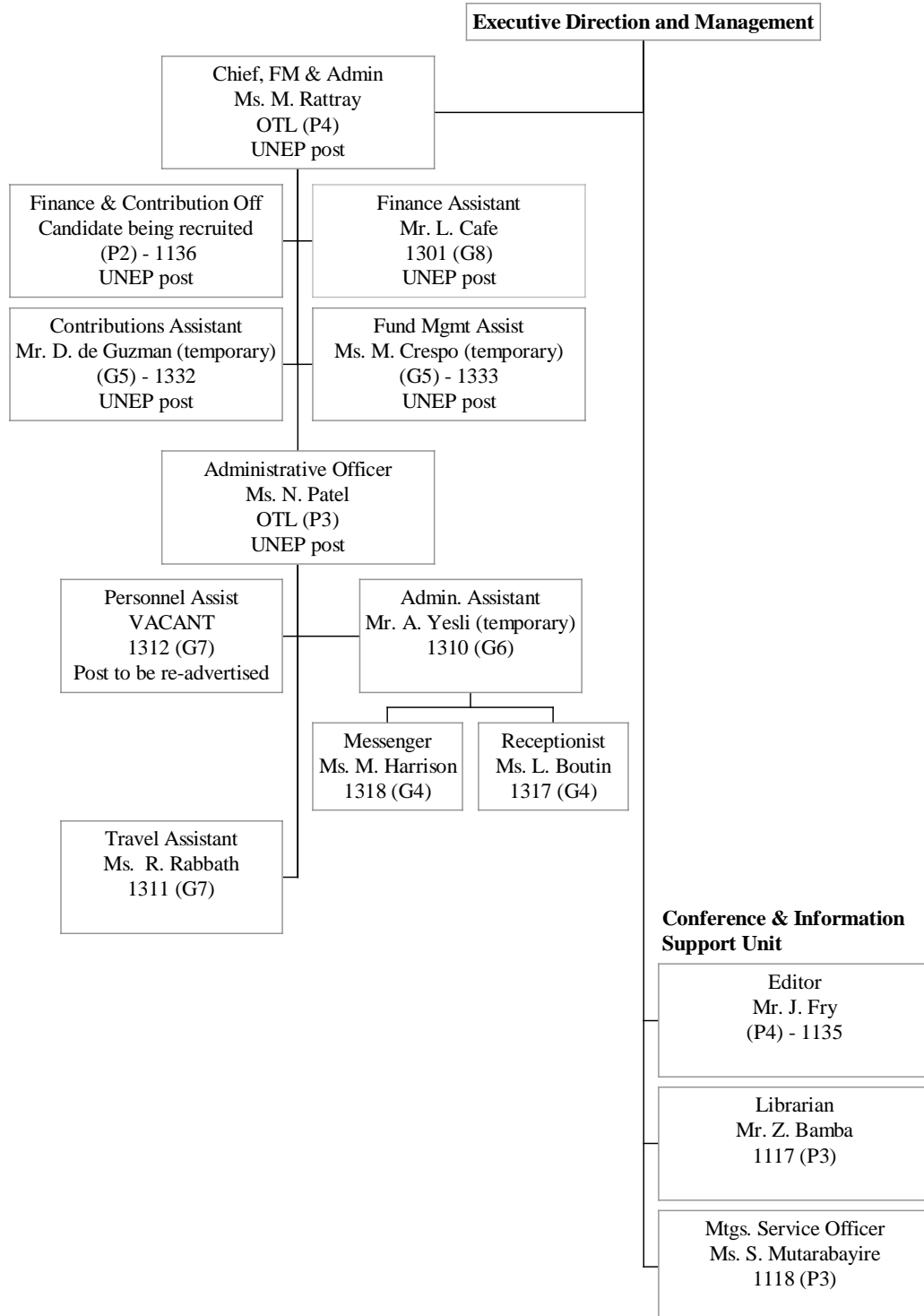
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ANNEX IIIGENERAL TRUST FUND FOR ADDITIONAL VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS IN SUPPORT OF APPROVED ACTIVITIES UNDER THE CONVENTION
ON BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY (BE)

Status of Contribution as at 31 August 1999 (in United States dollars)

| COUNTRIES | Unpaid Pledges as at 31.12.98 | Adjustments | Pledges for 1999 | | Collections in 1999 for prior years | Collections in 1999 for 1999 & futures yrs | Unpaid pledges for 1999 & prior years |
|-------------|-------------------------------|-------------|------------------|-----|-------------------------------------|--|---------------------------------------|
| Australia | 0 | 0 | 19,290 | 4/ | 0 | 19,290 | 0 |
| Canada | 0 | 0 | 66,556 | 11/ | 0 | 66,556 | 0 |
| Colombia | 0 | 0 | 350,000 | 6/ | 0 | 350,000 | 0 |
| Netherlands | 5,200 | 0 | 0 | 1/ | 0 | 0 | 5,200 |
| Netherlands | 24,900 | 0 | 0 | 2/ | 24,900 | 0 | 0 |
| Sweden | 0 | 0 | 59,232 | 5/ | 0 | 0 | 59,232 |
| Switzerland | 2,000 | 0 | 0 | 3/ | 0 | 0 | 2,000 |
| UK | 0 | 0 | 32,340 | 8/ | 0 | 32,340 | 0 |
| UK | 0 | 0 | 32,340 | 9/ | 0 | 32,340 | 0 |
| UK | 0 | 0 | 32,340 | 10/ | 0 | 32,340 | 0 |
| FAO | 0 | 0 | 107,000 | 7/ | 0 | 107,000 | 0 |
| Total | 32,190 | 0 | 699,098 | | 24,990 | 639,866 | 66,432 |

1/Netherlands contribution towards travel & lodging expenses of the 11 participants "Meeting of the Liaison Group on Biological Indicators project no. WW113407 (moved from BZ)

2/Netherlands pledge for Extended Biosafety Bureau Meeting -Oct'98

3/ Switzerland: COP Bureau Meeting (June-July 1997)

4/Australia A\$30,000 contribution for approved activities

5/Sweden 50% covered by SIDA for Taxonomy position (SEK1.45million for 3 years from March 1999-2002)

6/Colombia Host Government - Biosafety Meeting Cartagena 12-25 February 1999

7/FAO-Italy- Ms Bunning

8/UK pledged UK Pounds 20,000 for cost of developing a CBD implementation assessment framework (WCMC)

9/UK pledged UK Pounds 20,000 for cost of preparing a Convention handbook

10/UK pledged UK Pounds 20,000 for cost of further work by Professor Ed Malthy

11/Canada - pledge CND\$100,000

ANNEX IVGENERAL TRUST FUND FOR ADDITIONAL VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS TO FACILITATE THE PARTICIPATION OF PARTIES IN THE PROCESS
OF THE CONVENTION ON BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY (BZ)

Status of Contribution as at 31 August 1999 (in United States dollars)

| COUNTRIES | Unpaid Pledges as at 31.12.98 | Adjustments | | Pledges for 1999 | Collections in 1998 for 1999 | Collections in 1999 for prior years | Collections in 1999 for 1999 & fut. yrs | Unpaid pledges for 1999 & prior years |
|----------------------|-------------------------------|-------------|-----|------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------------------|---|---------------------------------------|
| Australia | 0 | 0 | 14/ | 32,150 | 0 | 0 | 32,150 | 0 |
| Austria | 0 | 0 | 15/ | 20,000 | 0 | 0 | 20,000 | 0 |
| Austria | 0 | 0 | 27/ | 15,000 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 15,000 |
| Canada | 5,186 | 0 | 2/ | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 5,186 |
| Canada | 0 | 0 | 22/ | 33,088 | 0 | 0 | 33,088 | 0 |
| Central African Rep. | 0 | 0 | 28/ | 2,000 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2,000 |
| Denmark | 9,356 | 0 | 3/ | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 9,356 |
| Denmark | 0 | 0 | 30/ | 20,000 | 0 | 0 | 20,000 | 0 |
| Denmark | 0 | 0 | 16/ | 75,000 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 75,000 |
| Denmark | 0 | 0 | 26/ | 31,293 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 31,293 |
| EEC | 100,229 | 0 | 1/ | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 100,229 |
| EEC | 25,000 | 0 | 4/ | 0 | 0 | 14,880 | 0 | 10,120 |
| EEC | 88,456 | 0 | 5/ | 0 | 0 | 78,000 | 0 | 10,456 |
| EEC | 87,514 | 0 | 6/ | 0 | 0 | 57,356 | 0 | 30,158 |
| EEC | 0 | 0 | 33/ | 106,838 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 106,838 |
| Finland | 20,000 | 0 | 7/ | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 20,000 |
| Germany | 0 | 0 | 17/ | 54,427 | 0 | 0 | 54,457 | 0 |
| Ireland | 20 | 0 | 8/ | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 20 |
| Ireland | 0 | 0 | 20/ | 39,090 | 0 | 0 | 39,090 | 0 |
| Kenya | 0 | 0 | 23/ | 949 | 0 | 0 | 949 | 0 |
| Namibia | 0 | 0 | 32/ | 1,000 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1,000 |
| Netherlands | 7,029 | 0 | 21/ | 0 | 0 | 7,029 | 0 | 0 |
| New Zealand | 0 | 0 | 18/ | 28,155 | 0 | 0 | 28,155 | 0 |
| Norway | 0 | 0 | 24/ | 6,394 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 6,394 |
| Norway | 0 | 0 | 25/ | 12,788 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 12,788 |
| Norway | 0 | 0 | 31/ | 31,969 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 31,969 |
| Norway | 0 | 0 | 34/ | 12,788 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 12,788 |
| Rep. Korea | 50,000 | 0 | 9/ | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 50,000 |
| Sweden | 0 | 0 | 11/ | 168,328 | 0 | 0 | 168,328 | 0 |
| Switzerland | 15,000 | 0 | 10/ | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 15,000 |
| Switzerland | 0 | 0 | 13/ | 72,637 | 0 | 0 | 72,637 | 0 |

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|-------|---------|---|-----|---------|---|---------|---------|---------|
| UK | 80,000 | 0 | 12/ | 0 | 0 | 80,000 | 0 | 0 |
| UK | 0 | 0 | 19/ | 79,250 | 0 | 0 | 79,250 | 0 |
| UK | 0 | 0 | 29/ | 47,580 | 0 | 0 | 47,580 | 0 |
| Total | 487,790 | 0 | | 890,724 | 0 | 237,265 | 595,655 | 545,594 |

** Please note that the figures in bracket () means credit

1/ EEC contribution towards cost of least developed countries (60% of ECU75,000) to the Convention on Biological Diversity project no.WW110931-US\$100,000

2/Canada :additional contribution to cover the travel costs for participants from developing countries to SCBD meetings

3/Denmark contribution towards travel costs for participants from developing countries i.e. Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania to regional meeting before COP-4 in 1998

4/EEC pledge for ECU22,700(US\$25,000) Biosafety Extended Bureau Meeting Montreal 21-22/10/98

5/EEC Contribution ECU125,000 - Grant of a Subsidy Declaration ref. B7-8110/98/258/D4/EH to be paid in two installments(paid equivalent of ECU 50,000)

6/EEC pledged EUR 75,000 related financial commitment B7-8110/98/000930/A4/EH - Biosafety Meeting and the Extraordinary Meeting of COP, Cartagena

7/ Finland : Assist the participation of developing countries in the negotiations on Biosafety Protocol

8/Ireland-Meetings of Conference of Parties and SBSTTA

9/Korea: contributions towards travel costs of participants to the clearing house workshop in Asia

10/ Switzerland: SBSTTA

11/Sweden pledge of SEK1,300,000 for participation of Developing Country delegates

12/UK pledged (Pounds 50,000) cost of facilitating developing country participation in the Biosafety meeting February '99- Colombia

13/Switzerland pledged CHF 100,000 for Biosafety Meeting 22-23 February 1999- Colombia

14/Australia pledged A\$50,000for the participation of Pacific Island Parties in the BSWG-6 and EX-COP 6 Meetings

15/ Austria contribution for participation of Parties in the Biosafety 6 Meeting

16/Denmark pledge for travel expenses for Central and Eastern European countries for preparatory meetings of SCBD- 1999

17/Germany pledged DM100,000

18/New Zealand pledged NZ\$50,000 for the participants of Pacific Island countries for meetings of SBSTTA-4 (21-30 June 1999-Montreal)

19/UK pledged (Pounds 50,000) for participation of developing countries in the SBSTTA-4 (21-30 June 1999-Montreal)

20/Ireland pledged IRPounds30,000 for meetings of the SBSTTA

21/Netherlands refund for over remittance under PV no. 9-35-03-114 (Matra Project 97-A-2.15

22/ Canada (Cad 50,000) for support of biosafety meeting in Cartagena

23/ Kenya (Kshs69,300) for Informal Consultation on Biosafety Protocol , September 1999

24/ Norway pledge NOK50,000 for SBSTTA-4 & ISOC meetings 21-30 June 1999, Montreal

25/ Norway pledge NOK100,000 for upcoming meeting of Experts on Access and Benefits Sharing- Costa Rica, 4-8 Oct. 1999

26/ Denmark- DKK225,000 for travel expenses for Central &Eastern European Countries-Biosafety Meeting-Vienna Sept.1999

27/ Austria-Biosafety Protocol Meeting-Sept. 1999

28/Central African Republic- for Biosafety Protocol Meeting Sept. 1999

29/ UK pledged UK pounds 30,000 for informal consultations on the Biosafety Protocol- Sept. 1999

30/ Denmark- pledge- for participation of specific least developed country delegates in BSWG-6 meeting

31/ Norway- pledge NOK250,000 to facilitate participation of developing country parties Biosafety Protocol –Vienna 15-19 Sept.

32/ Namibia pledge US\$1,000

33/ EEC pledge 100,000 Euros for travel expenses for developing country parties – Biosafety Protocol Meeting – Vienna 15-19 Sept. 1999

34/Norway pledge NOK100,000 to facilitate participation of developing country parties –Biosafety Protocol- Vienna 15-19 Sept. 1999

ANNEX V

GENERAL TRUST FUND FOR THE CONVENTION ON BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY (BY)

As at 31 August 1999

| Countries | Unpaid Pledges as at 31/12/98 | Pledges for 1999 | Collections During 1998 for 1999 | Collections in 1999 for prior years | Collections During 1999 for 1999 | Unpaid Pledges for Prior Years | Unpaid Pledges for 1999 | Unpaid Pledges for 1999 & Prior years |
|-------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------|--|---|--|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------|---|
| | US \$ | US \$ | US \$ | | US \$ | US \$ | US \$ | US \$ |
| Albania | 2,292 | 226 | | 2,292 | 226 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Algeria | 10,211 | 7,075 | | 10,211 | 7,075 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Angola | 0 | 753 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 753 | 753 |
| Antigua & Barbuda | 0 | 151 | | | 151 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Argentina | 30,634 | 77,074 | | | | 30,634 | 77,074 | 107,708 |
| Armenia | 17,947 | 828 | | | | 17,947 | 828 | 18,775 |
| Australia | 0 | 111,547 | 111,547 | | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Austria | 0 | 70,827 | | | 70,827 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Bahamas | (1,834) | 1,129 | 0 | | | (1,834) | 1,129 | (705) |
| Bahrain | 1,149 | 1,280 | | | | 1,149 | 1,280 | 2,429 |
| Bangladesh | 2,172 | 753 | | | | 2,172 | 753 | 2,925 |
| Barbados | 705 | 602 | | | 602 | 705 | 0 | 705 |
| Belarus | 66,704 | 6,172 | | | | 66,704 | 6,172 | 72,876 |
| Belgium | 69,948 | 83,020 | | | | 69,948 | 83,020 | 152,968 |
| Belize | 1,540 | 75 | | | | 1,540 | 75 | 1,615 |
| Benin | (359) | 151 | 0 | | | (359) | 151 | (208) |
| Bhutan | 0 | 75 | 75 | | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Bolivia | 2,339 | 527 | | | | 2,339 | 527 | 2,866 |
| Botswana | 0 | 753 | 753 | | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Brazil | 40,168 | 110,644 | | 40,168 | 2,033 | 0 | 108,611 | 108,611 |
| Bulgaria | 0 | 1,430 | | | 1,413 | 0 | 17 | 17 |
| Burkina Faso | 365 | 151 | | | | 365 | 151 | 516 |
| Burundi | 64 | 75 | | | | 64 | 75 | 139 |

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| Countries | Unpaid Pledges as at 31/12/98 | Pledges for 1999 | Collections During 1998 for 1999 | Collections in 1999 for prior years | Collections During 1999 for 1999 | Unpaid Pledges for Prior Years | Unpaid Pledges for 1999 | Unpaid Pledges for 1999 & Prior years |
|----------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------|--|---|--|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------|---|
| | US \$ | US \$ | US \$ | | US \$ | US \$ | US \$ | US \$ |
| Cambodia | 313 | 75 | | | | 313 | 75 | 388 |
| Cameroon | 1,271 | 978 | | | | 1,271 | 978 | 2,249 |
| Canada | 0 | 207,287 | | | 207,287 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Cape Verde | 1,693 | 151 | | | | 1,693 | 151 | 1,844 |
| Central African Rep. | 527 | 75 | | | | 527 | 75 | 602 |
| Chad | 2,172 | 75 | | | | 2,172 | 75 | 2,247 |
| Chile | 5,106 | 9,860 | | | | 5,106 | 9,860 | 14,966 |
| China | 0 | 73,236 | | | | 0 | 73,236 | 73,236 |
| Colombia | 6,382 | 8,204 | | | | 6,382 | 8,204 | 14,586 |
| Comoros | 2,172 | 75 | | | | 2,172 | 75 | 2,247 |
| Congo | 1,343 | 226 | | | | 1,343 | 226 | 1,569 |
| Congo Dem.Rep | 2,172 | 527 | | | | 2,172 | 527 | 2,699 |
| Cook Islands | 3,044 | 75 | | 3,044 | 75 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Costa Rica | 3,044 | 1,204 | | | | 3,044 | 1,204 | 4,248 |
| Cote d'Ivoire | 1,540 | 677 | | | | 1,540 | 677 | 2,217 |
| Croatia | 12,086 | 2,710 | | | | 12,086 | 2,710 | 14,796 |
| Cuba | 11,722 | 1,957 | | 5,000 | | 6,722 | 1,957 | 8,679 |
| Cyprus | 0 | 2,559 | | | 2,559 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Czech Republic | 0 | 9,107 | | | | 0 | 9,107 | 9,107 |
| Denmark | 45,951 | 52,010 | | 46,951 | 52,010 | (1,000) | 0 | (1,000) |
| Djibouti | 172 | 75 | | | | 172 | 75 | 247 |
| Dominica | 0 | 75 | 75 | | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Dominica Rep. | 1,021 | 1,129 | | | | 1,021 | 1,129 | 2,150 |
| Ecuador | 2,685 | 1,505 | | | | 2,685 | 1,505 | 4,190 |
| EEC | 0 | 142,500 | | | | 0 | 142,500 | 142,500 |
| Egypt | 0 | 4,892 | | | | 0 | 4,892 | 4,892 |
| El Salvador | 3,044 | 903 | | | | 3,044 | 903 | 3,947 |

| Countries | Unpaid Pledges as at 31/12/98 | Pledges for 1999 | Collections During 1998 for 1999 | Collections in 1999 for prior years | Collections During 1999 for 1999 | Unpaid Pledges for Prior Years | Unpaid Pledges for 1999 | Unpaid Pledges for 1999 & Prior years |
|-------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------|--|---|--|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------|---|
| | US \$ | US \$ | US \$ | | US \$ | US \$ | US \$ | US \$ |
| Equatorial Guinea | 2,172 | 75 | | | | 2,172 | 75 | 2,247 |
| Eritrea | 0 | 75 | 75 | | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Estonia | 5,371 | 1,129 | | | | 5,371 | 1,129 | 6,500 |
| Ethiopia | 1,693 | 452 | | 1,693 | | 0 | 452 | 452 |
| Fiji | 705 | 301 | | 281 | | 424 | 301 | 725 |
| Finland | 0 | 40,795 | | | 40,795 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| France | 0 | 492,251 | | | 492,251 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Gabon | 1,149 | 1,129 | | | | 1,149 | 1,129 | 2,278 |
| Gambia | 445 | 75 | | | | 445 | 75 | 520 |
| Georgia | 37,948 | 1,430 | | | | 37,948 | 1,430 | 39,378 |
| Germany | 0 | 738,226 | | | 738,226 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Ghana | 2,292 | 527 | | | | 2,292 | 527 | 2,819 |
| Greece | 0 | 26,419 | | | | 0 | 26,419 | 26,419 |
| Grenada | 1,343 | 75 | | | | 1,343 | 75 | 1,418 |
| Guatemala | 4,582 | 1,355 | | | | 4,582 | 1,355 | 5,937 |
| Guinea | 1,482 | 226 | | | | 1,482 | 226 | 1,708 |
| Guinea-Bissau | 1,693 | 75 | | | | 1,693 | 75 | 1,768 |
| Guyana | 1,343 | 75 | | | | 1,343 | 75 | 1,418 |
| Haiti | 1,003 | 151 | | | | 1,003 | 151 | 1,154 |
| Honduras | 2,292 | 226 | | | | 2,292 | 226 | 2,518 |
| Hungary | 0 | 9,032 | | | 9,032 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Iceland | 0 | 2,409 | | | 2,409 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| India | 18 | 22,505 | | 0 | | 18 | 22,505 | 22,523 |
| Indonesia | 18,298 | 13,849 | | | | 18,298 | 13,849 | 32,147 |
| Iran | 60,427 | 14,527 | | | | 60,427 | 14,527 | 74,954 |
| Ireland | 0 | 16,860 | 16,860 | | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Israel | 0 | 25,967 | | | 15,500 | 0 | 10,467 | 10,467 |

| Countries | Unpaid Pledges as at 31/12/98 | Pledges for 1999 | Collections During 1998 for 1999 | Collections in 1999 for prior years | Collections During 1999 for 1999 | Unpaid Pledges for Prior Years | Unpaid Pledges for 1999 | Unpaid Pledges for 1999 & Prior years |
|------------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------|--|---|--|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------|---|
| | US \$ | US \$ | US \$ | | US \$ | US \$ | US \$ | US \$ |
| Italy | 0 | 408,854 | | | 408,854 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Jamaica | 638 | 452 | | | | 638 | 452 | 1,090 |
| Japan | 998,797 | 1,425,000 | | 998,797 | 520,778 | 0 | 904,222 | 904,222 |
| Jordan | 638 | 452 | | | | 638 | 452 | 1,090 |
| Kazakhstan | 64,035 | 4,968 | | 15,755 | | 48,280 | 4,968 | 53,248 |
| Kenya | 559 | 527 | | 559 | 543 | 0 | (16) | (16) |
| Kiribati | 0 | 75 | 75 | | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Korea, Dem. People's Rep. | 14,465 | 1,430 | | | | 14,465 | 1,430 | 15,895 |
| Korea, Rep. of | 0 | 74,816 | | | 74,816 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Kyrgyzstan | 4,029 | 602 | | | | 4,029 | 602 | 4,631 |
| Lao PDR | 20 | 75 | | | | 20 | 75 | 95 |
| Latvia | 0 | 1,806 | | | | 0 | 1,806 | 1,806 |
| Lebanon | (358) | 1,204 | | | | (358) | 1,204 | 846 |
| Lesotho | 477 | 151 | | | | 477 | 151 | 628 |
| Liechtenstein | 319 | 452 | | | | 319 | 452 | 771 |
| Lithuania | 0 | 1,656 | | | | 0 | 1,656 | 1,656 |
| Luxembourg | 0 | 5,118 | | | 5,118 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Macedonia | 319 | 301 | | | | 319 | 301 | 620 |
| Madagascar | 22 | 226 | | 22 | 226 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Malawi | 0 | 151 | | | | 0 | 151 | 151 |
| Malaysia | 8,935 | 13,548 | | 8,935 | | 0 | 13,548 | 13,548 |
| Maldives | 690 | 75 | | | 75 | 690 | 0 | 690 |
| Mali | 1,693 | 151 | | | | 1,693 | 151 | 1,844 |
| Marshall Island | 0 | 75 | | | | 0 | 75 | 75 |
| Mauritania | 1,003 | 75 | | | | 1,003 | 75 | 1,078 |
| Mauritius | 0 | 677 | 677 | | | 0 | 0 | 0 |

| Countries | Unpaid Pledges as at 31/12/98 | Pledges for 1999 | Collections During 1998 for 1999 | Collections in 1999 for prior years | Collections During 1999 for 1999 | Unpaid Pledges for Prior Years | Unpaid Pledges for 1999 | Unpaid Pledges for 1999 & Prior years |
|-------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------|--|---|--|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------|---|
| | US \$ | US \$ | US \$ | | US \$ | US \$ | US \$ | US \$ |
| Mexico | 80,124 | 73,762 | | 59,464 | | 20,660 | 73,762 | 94,422 |
| Micronesia, Fed. States | 0 | 75 | | | | 0 | 75 | 75 |
| Moldova, Rep. of | 18,807 | 1,355 | | | | 18,807 | 1,355 | 20,162 |
| Monaco | 638 | 301 | | 620 | | 18 | 301 | 319 |
| Mongolia | 638 | 151 | | 638 | | 0 | 151 | 151 |
| Morocco | (2,114) | 3,086 | | | 2,875 | (2,114) | 211 | (1,903) |
| Mozambique | 0 | 75 | | | 75 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Myanmar | 2,172 | 602 | | 700 | | 1,472 | 602 | 2,074 |
| Namibia | 447 | 527 | | 447 | 527 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Nauru | 2,292 | 75 | | | | 2,292 | 75 | 2,367 |
| Nepal | (2,383) | 301 | | | | (2,383) | 301 | (2,082) |
| Netherlands | 0 | 122,762 | | | 122,762 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| New Zealand | 0 | 16,634 | 16,634 | | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Nicaragua | 2,292 | 75 | | | | 2,292 | 75 | 2,367 |
| Niger | 1,693 | 151 | | | | 1,693 | 151 | 1,844 |
| Nigeria | 0 | 3,011 | | | | 0 | 3,011 | 3,011 |
| Niue | 0 | 75 | 75 | | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Norway | (752) | 45,913 | 0 | | 45,161 | (752) | 752 | 0 |
| Oman | 0 | 3,839 | 3,839 | | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Pakistan | 3,819 | 4,441 | | 3,819 | | 0 | 4,441 | 4,441 |
| Panama | 1,444 | 978 | | | | 1,444 | 978 | 2,422 |
| Papua New Guinea | (502) | 527 | 0 | | 25 | (502) | 502 | 0 |
| Paraguay | 1,343 | 1,054 | | | | 1,343 | 1,054 | 2,397 |
| Peru | 8,057 | 7,150 | | 4,228 | | 3,829 | 7,150 | 10,979 |
| Philippines | 0 | 6,021 | | | 6,021 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Poland | 0 | 15,580 | | | | 0 | 15,580 | 15,580 |
| Portugal | 17,870 | 31,387 | | 17,870 | 31,387 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

| Countries | Unpaid Pledges as at 31/12/98 | Pledges for 1999 | Collections During 1998 for 1999 | Collections in 1999 for prior years | Collections During 1999 for 1999 | Unpaid Pledges for Prior Years | Unpaid Pledges for 1999 | Unpaid Pledges for 1999 & Prior years |
|-------------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------|--|---|--|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------|---|
| | US \$ | US \$ | US \$ | | US \$ | US \$ | US \$ | US \$ |
| Qatar | 20 | 2,484 | | 20 | 2,484 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Romania | 0 | 5,043 | | | 5,043 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Russian Federation | 645,569 | 111,923 | | | | 645,569 | 111,923 | 757,492 |
| Rwanda | 1,003 | 75 | | | | 1,003 | 75 | 1,078 |
| St. Kitts & Nevis | 0 | 75 | | | 75 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| St. Lucia | 0 | 75 | | | 75 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Saint Vincent & Grenadines | 1,343 | 75 | | | | 1,343 | 75 | 1,418 |
| Samoa | 0 | 75 | 75 | | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| San Marino | 0 | 151 | | | | 0 | 151 | 151 |
| Senegal | 312 | 452 | 0 | | | 312 | 452 | 764 |
| Seychelles | 3,044 | 151 | | | | 3,044 | 151 | 3,195 |
| Sierra Leone | 2,172 | 75 | | | | 2,172 | 75 | 2,247 |
| Singapore | 0 | 13,247 | | | 13,247 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Slovak | 0 | 2,935 | | | 2,935 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Slovenia | 0 | 4,591 | 4,591 | | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Solomon Is. | 1,693 | 75 | | | | 1,693 | 75 | 1,768 |
| South Africa | 0 | 27,548 | 27,548 | | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Spain | 0 | 194,868 | | | 194,868 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Sri Lanka | 638 | 903 | | | | 638 | 903 | 1,541 |
| Sudan | 1,693 | 527 | | | | 1,693 | 527 | 2,220 |
| Suriname | 0 | 301 | | | | 0 | 301 | 301 |
| Swaziland | 0 | 151 | 151 | | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Sweden | 0 | 81,590 | | | | 0 | 81,590 | 81,590 |
| Switzerland | (14,227) | 91,450 | 0 | | 77,223 | (14,227) | 14,227 | 0 |
| Syria | 6,714 | 4,817 | | | | 6,714 | 4,817 | 11,531 |
| Tajikistan | 511 | 376 | | | | 511 | 376 | 887 |

| Countries | Unpaid Pledges as at 31/12/98 | Pledges for 1999 | Collections During 1998 for 1999 | Collections in 1999 for prior years | Collections During 1999 for 1999 | Unpaid Pledges for Prior Years | Unpaid Pledges for 1999 | Unpaid Pledges for 1999 & Prior years |
|--------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------|--|---|--|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------|---|
| | US \$ | US \$ | US \$ | | US \$ | US \$ | US \$ | US \$ |
| Togo | 1,693 | 75 | | | | 1,693 | 75 | 1,768 |
| Tonga | 0 | 75 | | | | 0 | 75 | 75 |
| Trinidad & Tobago | 1,915 | 1,280 | | | | 1,915 | 1,280 | 3,195 |
| Tunisia | 0 | 2,107 | 2,107 | | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Turkey | 28,081 | 33,118 | | 28,081 | 7,103 | 0 | 26,015 | 26,015 |
| Turkmenistan | 5,371 | 602 | | | | 5,371 | 602 | 5,973 |
| Uganda | 735 | 301 | | | | 735 | 301 | 1,036 |
| Ukraine | 144,523 | 22,731 | | | | 144,523 | 22,731 | 167,254 |
| U. K. | 0 | 383,113 | | | 383,113 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Un.Rep. of Tanzania | 1,003 | 226 | | | | 1,003 | 226 | 1,229 |
| Uruguay | 12,173 | 3,613 | | | | 12,173 | 3,613 | 15,786 |
| Uzbekistan | 9,160 | 2,785 | | | | 9,160 | 2,785 | 11,945 |
| Vanuatu | 0 | 75 | | | | 0 | 75 | 75 |
| Venezuela | (31,708) | 13,247 | | | | (31,708) | 13,247 | (18,461) |
| Viet Nam | 638 | 527 | | 638 | 527 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Yemen | 1,343 | 753 | | | | 1,343 | 753 | 2,096 |
| Zambia | 1,003 | 151 | | | | 1,003 | 151 | 1,154 |
| Zimbabwe | 0 | 677 | | | 677 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Sub Total | 2,554,343 | 5,699,995 | 185,157 | 1,250,233 | 3,549,084 | 1,304,111 | 1,965,754 | 3,269,864 |
| Additional Contributions | | | | | | | | |
| USA | 0 | 150,000 | 0 | 0 | 150,000 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Canada | 0 | 800,000 | 0 | 0 | 800,000 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Quebec | 0 | 200,000 | 0 | 0 | 200,000 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Grand Total | 2,554,343 | 6,849,995 | 185,157 | 1,250,233 | 4,699,084 | 1,304,111 | 1,965,754 | 3,269,864 |

ANNEX VI

LIST OF MEETINGS TO BE ORGANIZED BY THE
SECRETARIAT OF THE CONVENTION ON BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY
(As of 1 June 1999)

| <u>DATES</u> | <u>MEETING TITLE</u> | <u>VENUE</u> |
|------------------------------|---|------------------------|
| 20 June 1999 | Bureau of SBSTTA | Montreal, Canada |
| 21 – 25 June 1999 | Fourth Meeting of SBSTTA | Montreal, Canada |
| 27 June 1999 | Morning: Bureaux of SBSTTA and COP - Afternoon: COP4 Bureau Meeting | Montreal, Canada |
| 28-30 June 1999 | Intersessional Meeting on the Operations of the Convention | Montreal, Canada |
| 1 July 1999 | Morning: Meeting of Messrs. Mayr & Miklós & spokespersons Afternoon: COP4 Bureau Meeting | Montreal, Canada |
| 15-19 September | Informal Consultations on a Biosafety Protocol | Vienna, Austria |
| 15-17 September 1999 | Liaison Group Meeting on Ecosystem Approach | Paris, France |
| 20-22 September 1999 | Liaison Group Meeting on Agrobiodiversity | FAO, Rome, Italy |
| 20-22 September 1999 | Informal Advisory Committee of the Clearing- House Mechanism | Copenhagen, Denmark |
| 24-25 September 1999 | Liaison Group Meeting on Indicators of Biological Diversity | Montreal, Canada |
| 27-29 September 1999 | Liaison Group Meeting on Dryland, Mediterranean, Arid, Semi-Arid, Grassland, Savannah Ecosystems | Montreal, Canada |
| 4-8 October 1999 | Expert Panel on Access and Benefit-Sharing | San José, Costa Rica |
| 11-13 October 1999 | Expert Consultation on Coral Bleaching | Manila, Philippines |
| 14-15 OCTOBER 1999 | Bureau of SBSTTA | Montreal, Canada |
| 20 – 22 January 2000 | Informal Consultations on a Biosafety Protocol | Montreal, Canada |
| 24 – 28 January 2000 | Resumed Session of the First Extraordinary Meeting of the COP to finalize and adopt a Protocol on Biosafety | Montreal, Canada |
| 29 January 2000 | Bureau of SBSTTA | Montreal, Canada |
| 31 January – 4 February 2000 | Fifth Meeting of the SBSTTA | Montreal, Canada |
| To be determined | Ad Hoc Working Group on Article 8(j) | To be determined |
| 14 May 2000 | Bureaux of COP and SBSTTA | Nairobi, Kenya |
| 15-26 May 2000 | Fifth Meeting of the COP | Nairobi, Kenya |

ANNEX VII

SUBSIDIARY BODY ON SCIENTIFIC, TECHNICAL
AND TECHNOLOGICAL ADVICE

Fifth meeting

Montreal, 31 January – 4 February 2000

PROVISIONAL AGENDA

1. Opening of the meeting.
2. Organizational matters:
 - 2.1. Election of officers;
 - 2.2. Adoption of the agenda;
 - 2.3. Organization of work.
3. Reports:
 - 3.1. Cooperation with other bodies;
 - 3.2. Pilot phase of the clearing-house mechanism;
 - 3.3. Review of the Global Taxonomy Initiative;
 - 3.4. Alien species: guiding principles for the prevention, introduction and mitigation of impacts;
 - 3.5. Specific issues in ongoing work programmes on thematic areas:
 - 3.5.1. Inland waters biological diversity: ways and means to implement the work programme;
 - 3.5.2. Marine and coastal biological diversity: consideration of implementation tools for the programme of work, and analysis of coral bleaching;
 - 3.5.3. Forest biological diversity: status and trends and identification of options for conservation and sustainable use.
4. Priority issues:
 - 4.1. Thematic areas:
 - 4.1.1. Programme of work for dryland, Mediterranean, arid, semi-arid, grassland and savannah biological diversity;

- 4.1.2. Agricultural biological diversity: assessment of ongoing activities and priorities for a programme of work;
- 4.2. Cross-cutting issues:
 - 4.2.1. Ecosystem approach: further conceptual elaboration;
 - 4.2.2. Development of indicators of biological diversity;
 - 4.2.3. Sustainable use of the components of biological diversity: identification of sectoral activities that could adopt biodiversity-friendly practices and technologies;
- 4.3. Mechanisms for implementation:
 - 4.3.1. Establishment of guidelines for the second national reports, including indicators and incentive measures;
 - 4.3.2. Ad hoc technical expert groups: terms of reference, and rosters of experts and proposal on a uniform methodology for their use.
5. Draft provisional agenda for the sixth meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice.
6. Dates and venue of the sixth meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice.
7. Other matters.
8. Adoption of the report.
9. Closure of the meeting.

ANNEX VIII

CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES TO THE
CONVENTION ON BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY

Fifth Meeting
Nairobi, Kenya
15-26 May 2000

Item [2] of the provisional agenda

PROVISIONAL AGENDA

I. ORGANIZATIONAL MATTERS

1. Opening of the meeting.
2. Election of Officers.
3. Adoption of Agenda.
4. Organization of Work.
5. Report on the credentials of representatives to the fifth meeting of the Conference of the Parties.
6. Pending Issues.
7. Date and venue of the sixth meeting of the Conference of the Parties.

II. ADOPTION OF REPORTS

8. Reports of Regional Meetings.
9. Reports from the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice.
10. Report of the intersessional meeting on the operations of the Convention.
11. Report of the working group on the implementation of Article 8(j) and related provisions.
12. Report on the status of the Biosafety Protocol.
13. Report of the Global Environment Facility.
14. Report of the Panel of Experts on Genetic Resources.

15. Report from the Executive Secretary on the administration of the Convention and budget for the Trust Fund of the Convention.

III. REVIEW OF THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PROGRAMME OF WORK

16. Thematic areas:
 - 16.1 Progress report on the implementation of the programme of work on inland water ecosystems diversity, marine and coastal biological diversity, and forest biological diversity (implementation of decisions IV/4, IV/5, IV/7);
 - 16.2 agricultural biological diversity – Review of Programme of Work Phase I, and adoption of multi-year work programme.
17. Crosscutting issues:
 - 17.1 Ecosystem approach – adoption of principles (implementation of decision IV/1/B)
 - 17.2 Identification, monitoring and assessment, and indicators
 - 17.3 Alien species that threaten ecosystems (implementation of decision IV/1/C)
 - 17.4 Global Taxonomy Initiative – Implementation and further advance of the Suggestions for Action (implementation of decision IV/1/D)
18. Mechanisms for implementation:
 - 18.1 Financial resources and mechanism (Article 20 and 21);
 - 18.2 Scientific and technical co-operation and the clearing-house mechanism (Article 18);
 - 18.3 Incentive measures (Article 11);
 - 18.4 Article 8(j) and related provisions;
 - 18.5 Education and public awareness (Article 13);
 - 18.6 Impact assessment, liability and redress (Article 14);
 - 18.7 National reporting (Article 26).
19. Operations of the Convention.
20. Budget for the Programme of Work for the biennium 2001-2002.

IV. PRIORITY ISSUES FOR REVIEW AND GUIDANCE

21. Consideration of options for conservation and sustainable use of biological diversity in dryland, Mediterranean, arid, semi-arid, grassland and savannah ecosystems.
22. Sustainable use, including tourism.
23. Access to genetic resources.

V. FINAL MATTERS

24. Other matters.
25. Adoption of the report.
26. Closure of the meeting.

List of Documents

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| UNEP/CBD/COP/5/1 | Provisional Agenda |
| UNEP/CBD/COP/5/2 | Report of the fourth meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice |
| UNEP/CBD/COP/5/3 | Report of the fifth meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice |
| UNEP/CBD/COP/5/4 | Report of the inter-sessional meeting on the operations of the Convention |
| UNEP/CBD/COP/5/5 | Report of the Ad Hoc Working Group on Article 8(j) and related provisions |
| UNEP/CBD/COP/5/6 | Report on the status of the Biosafety Protocol |
| UNEP/CBD/COP/5/7 | Report of the Global Environment Facility |
| UNEP/CBD/COP/5/8 | Report of the Panel of Experts on Access and Benefit-Sharing |
| UNEP/CBD/COP/5/9 | Report of the Executive Secretary on the administration of the Convention and budget for the Trust Fund of the Convention |
| UNEP/CBD/COP/5/10 | Progress report on the implementation of programmes of work on inland water ecosystems, marine and coastal, and forest biological diversity |
| UNEP/CBD/COP/5/11 | Review of Programme of Work: Phase I and adoption of multi-year Programme of Work |
| UNEP/CBD/COP/5/12 | Progress report on crosscutting issues |
| UNEP/CBD/COP/5/13 | Progress report on the mechanisms for implementation |
| UNEP/CBD/COP/5/14 | Report on Additional Financial Resources |
| UNEP/CBD/COP/5/15 | Further analysis of the design and implementation of incentive measures |
| UNEP/CBD/COP/5/16 | Synthesis of submissions from governments and international organisations to the questionnaire on liability and redress by the Convention on Biological Diversity |
| UNEP/CBD/COP/5/17 | Operations of the Convention |
| UNEP/CBD/COP/5/18 | Proposed Budget for the Programme of Work for the biennium 2001 – 2002 |

- UNEP/CBD/COP/5/19 Consideration of options for conservation and sustainable use of biological diversity in dryland, mediterranean, arid, semi-arid, grassland and savannah ecosystems
- UNEP/CBD/COP/5/20 Sustainable use, including tourism
- UNEP/CBD/COP/5/21 Access to genetic resources

ANNEX IX

PARTIES AND GOVERNMENTS WHICH HAVE
SUBMITTED A FULL NATIONAL REPORT

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|------------------------|---|
| 1. Argentina | 39. Madagascar |
| 2. Australia | 40. Malaysia |
| 3. Austria | 41. Mexico |
| 4. Belarus | 42. Monaco |
| 5. Belgium | 43. Mongolia |
| 6. Benin | 44. Mozambique |
| 7. Bhutan | 45. Namibia |
| 8. Bolivia | 46. Nepal |
| 9. Botswana | 47. Netherlands |
| 10. Brazil | 48. New Zealand |
| 11. Bulgaria | 49. Norway |
| 12. Cameroon | 50. Oman |
| 13. Canada | 51. Panama |
| 14. China | 52. Peru |
| 15. Colombia | 53. Philippines |
| 16. Costa Rica | 54. Poland |
| 17. Cuba | 55. Portugal |
| 18. Denmark | 56. Qatar |
| 19. Djibouti | 57. Republic of Korea |
| 20. Dominican Republic | 58. Romania |
| 21. Egypt | 59. Russian Federation |
| 22. Eritrea | 60. Samoa |
| 23. Estonia | 61. Senegal |
| 24. European Community | 62. Seychelles |
| 25. Finland | 63. Singapore |
| 26. France | 64. Slovakia |
| 27. Germany | 65. Slovenia |
| 28. Greece | 66. South Africa |
| 29. Hungary | 67. Spain |
| 30. India | 68. Sweden |
| 31. Indonesia | 69. Switzerland |
| 32. Ireland | 70. Thailand |
| 33. Israel | 71. Tunisia |
| 34. Italy | 72. Turkey |
| 35. Japan | 73. Uganda |
| 36. Latvia | 74. Ukraine |
| 37. Lebanon | 75. United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland |
| 38. Luxembourg | |

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- 76. Vanuatu
- 77. Vietnam

PARTIES WHICH HAVE SUBMITTED
AN INTERIM NATIONAL REPORT

1. Algeria
2. Armenia
3. Bahamas
4. Belize
5. Burkina Faso
6. Cape Verde
7. Chad
8. Chile
9. Comoros
10. Democratic Republic of the Congo
11. Ecuador
12. El Salvador
13. Equatorial Guinea
14. Fiji
15. Gabon
16. Gambia
17. Haiti
18. Jamaica
19. Kazakhstan
20. Kenya
21. Lesotho
22. Malawi
23. Maldives
24. Mali
25. Marshall Islands
26. Niger
27. Rwanda
28. Saint Lucia
29. Sri Lanka
30. Swaziland
31. Togo
32. Trinidad and Tobago
33. Uruguay
34. Uzbekistan
35. Zambia
36. Zimbabwe

PARTIES WHICH HAVE NOT YET SUBMITTED A NATIONAL REPORT

1. Albania
2. Angola
3. Antigua and Barbuda
4. Bahrain
5. Bangladesh
6. Barbados
7. Burundi
8. Cambodia
9. Central African Republic
10. Congo
11. Cook Islands
12. Côte d'Ivoire
13. Croatia
14. Cyprus
15. Czech Republic
16. Democratic People's Republic of Korea
17. Dominica
18. Ethiopia
19. Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia
20. Georgia
21. Ghana
22. Grenada
23. Guatemala
24. Guinea
25. Guinea-Bissau
26. Guyana
27. Honduras
28. Iceland
29. Iran (Islamic Republic of)
30. Jordan
31. Kiribati
32. Kyrgyzstan
33. Lao People's Democratic Republic
34. Liechtenstein
35. Lithuania
36. Mauritania
37. Mauritius
38. Micronesia (Federated States of)
39. Morocco
40. Myanmar
41. Nauru
42. Nicaragua
43. Niue
44. Nigeria
45. Pakistan
46. Palau
47. Papua New Guinea
48. Paraguay
49. Republic of Moldova
50. Saint Kitts and Nevis
51. Saint Vincent and the Grenadines
52. San Marino
53. Sierra Leone
54. Solomon Islands
55. Sudan
56. Suriname
57. Syrian Arab Republic
58. Tajikistan
59. Tonga
60. Turkmenistan
61. United Republic of Tanzania
62. Venezuela
63. Yemen