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# INITIAL REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY ON THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE CARTAGENA PROTOCOL ON BIOSAFETY AND THE PERFORMANCE OF THE PROTOCOL TRUST FUNDS FOR THE BIENNIUM 2005-2006

Note by the Executive Secretary

### I. INTRODUCTION

### A. Background

- 1. At its first meeting, the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety adopted a programme budget for the distinct costs of the Secretariat services and the biosafety work programme of the Cartagena Protocol for the biennium 2005-2006. In paragraph 15 of decision BS-I/10, the Executive Secretary, was requested to report to the second meeting of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Protocol on income and budget performance, and to propose any adjustments that might be needed to the programme budget for the biennium 2005-2006. The Executive Secretary was also requested to review the classification of the biosafety Professional posts and report thereon to the second meeting of the Conference of the Parties serving as the Meeting of the Parties to the Protocol.
- 2. The present document has been prepared by the Executive Secretary in response to that request and is divided into two sections, as follows:
- (a) Section I reports on income and budget performance in 2005 and 2006 for the three trust funds of the Protocol established by the first meeting of the Conference of the Parties serving as the Meeting of the Parties to the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety in paragraph 2 of decision BS-1/10. This section also contains a report on commitments made for the general trust fund (core budget) of the Protocol for the year 2005;

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3. It must be stressed however, that this is only an initial report as the Protocol is a new instrument and its first biennium programme budget started only on 1 January 2005.

### B. Funding under the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety

- 4. At its first meeting, the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Protocol established three trust funds: a General Trust Fund for the Core Programme Budget of the Protocol (**BG Trust Fund**); a Special Voluntary Trust Fund for Additional Voluntary Contributions in Support of Approved Activities of the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety (**BH Trust Fund**); and a Special Voluntary Trust Fund for Additional Voluntary Contributions to Facilitate the Participation of Parties in the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety (**BI Trust Fund**). The three trust funds are managed by the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) in accordance with the Financial Rules of the Protocol.
- 5. The core budget (**BG Trust Fund**) covers administrative costs such as conference-servicing; meetings; staff salaries; overtime and emoluments; staff travel; training and fellowships; consultants and temporary assistance. It is financed from contributions made by Parties to the Protocol according to a scale of assessments established by the Meeting of the Parties to the Protocol every biennium, on the basis of the United Nations scale for the apportionment of the expenses of the Organization, and a report on its status is contained in annex I below. Both the budget and the scale of assessments are adopted by the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Protocol. Any amendments to the current scale of assessments that will affect the level of contributions of individual Parties to the budget will be effected in keeping with Financial Rule 11 whereby the assessed contributions of all Parties will be adjusted at the end of the biennium 2005-2006, to take into account the new Parties joining after 15 October 2004 (see annex IV below).
- 6. In addition to the assessed contributions of Parties, the core budget is also financed from additional contributions made by the Parties, non-Parties, intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations and other sources.
- 7. The **BH and BI Trust Funds** are financed from voluntary contributions earmarked by the donors for specific activities and are reported on separately from the core budget (see annexes II and III).
- 8. The programme budget presented in the present note was adopted in February 2004 by the first meeting of the Conference of the Parties serving as the Meeting of the Parties to the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety. A supplementary budget may have to be prepared in the light of decisions taken by the second meeting of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Protocol and the recommendations of the inter-sessional bodies that are scheduled to meet after the circulation of the present document.

### II. INCOME AND BUDGET PERFORMANCE IN 2005-2006

9. The status of contributions to the three trust funds as at 15 April 2005 is set out in annexes I-III below.

## A. General Trust Fund for the Core Programme Budget of the Protocol (BG Trust Fund)

1. Budget for 2005-2006

10. In its decision BS-I/10, the Conference of the Parties serving as the Meeting of the Parties to the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety approved a core programme budget (BG Trust Fund) of \$2,166,500 for the year 2005 and \$1,878,700 for 2006 for the distinct costs of the Secretariat services and the biosafety programme of work of the Protocol. Of this amount, \$3,715,200 was to be paid by Parties in line with the scale set out in the annex of decision BS-I/10, and \$330,000 was to be funded from the host country contribution as follows:

Source of funding	2005	2006
Parties to the Protocol	\$2 001 500	\$1 713 700
Host Country	\$ 165 000	\$ 165 000
Total	\$2 166 500	\$1 878 700

### 2. Contributions for 2005-2006

11. As at 1 January 2005, contributions received to the BG Trust Fund for the 2005-2006 biennium amounted to \$365,646 as follows:

	Total	\$365,646
Contribution from the host Government		\$0
Advance payments for 2006 received in 2004		\$593
Advance payments received in 2004 for 2005		\$365 053

Percentage of 2005 assessed contributions paid as at 1 January 2005 – 18%

Percentage of 2006 assessed contributions paid as at 1 January 2005 – 0.04%

- 12. This amount represents contributions paid in full or in part by 15 Parties (or 13 per cent of the total number of Parties to the Protocol) (see annex I below).
- 13. As at 15 April 2005, a total of \$846,848 (representing 39% of total assessed contributions) had been paid to the BG Trust Fund for 2005, and \$173,312 (representing 10% of total assessed contributions) had been collected for 2006 as follows:

	Total	\$1 020 160
Contribution from the host Government		\$0
Advance payments for 2006 received in 2004-2005		\$173 312
Contributions for 2005 received in 2005		\$481 795
Advance payments received in 2004 for 2005		\$365 053

### 3. Expenditures in 2005

- 14. Direct commitments and expenditures in 2005 (including programme support costs) as at 15 April 2005, totalled \$368,809 as shown in table 1.
- 15. For 2005, this amount is equivalent to approximately 21 per cent of the total amount approved by the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Protocol for BG Trust Fund activities in 2005 in line with decision BS-I/10.
- 16. The 2005 commitments and expenditures of \$368,809 comprises 44 per cent of the total contributions received in 2005 (\$846,848) as at 15 April 2005. It amounts to approximately 36 per cent of the total actual income available in 2005 (\$1,020,160) (i.e., contributions received in 2005 for 2005 as well as for future years).

Object of expenditure	Approved budget (\$US)	Commitments/ Expenditure		Percentage of:	
			Budget approved by MOP	Actual contributions received for 2005	Income received in 2005*
Staff costs	525 300	116 543	22		
Biosafety Bureau meetings	33 500	15 413	46		
Travel on official business	60 000	9 876	16		
Consultants/sub-contracts	25 000	0	0		
Conference-servicing costs	895 000	172 161	19		
Meetings	180 000	54 010	30		
Training/fellowships	20 000	0	0		
Temporary Assistance/overtime	8 000	807	10		
Programme support costs (PSC)	227 100	47 945	21		
Working capital reserve	192 600	20 838	11		
Total	2 166 500	437 593	20	52	43

Table 1. BG Trust Fund Expenditures in 2005 by object of expenditure

# B. Special Voluntary Trust Fund for additional approved activities of the Protocol (BH Trust Fund)

- 17. Contributions to the BH Trust Fund are earmarked for additional approved activities in 2005 and 2006, which are not covered by the core budget (BG Trust Fund). A total of \$542,118 was approved for 2005 under the BH Trust Fund by the first meeting of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Protocol, and \$282,500 for 2006. As at 15 April 2005, the Secretariat has received pledges for additional approved activities totalling \$28,793, (or 5.3% of the amount approved in the budget), all of which has been paid (see annex II below). No pledges have been received for 2006.
- 18. A total of \$603 (excluding programme support costs) has been spent to date in 2005 for additional approved activities, including the translation and reproduction of documentation for the Ad Hoc Openended Working Group on Liability and Redress under the Biosafety Protocol.

# C. Special Voluntary Trust Fund for facilitating participation of Parties in the Protocol (BI Trust Fund)

- 19. Contributions to the BI Trust Fund are earmarked for specific meetings in 2005 and 2006. A total of \$1,672,400 was approved for 2005 and \$1,672,400 for 2006 by the first meeting of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Protocol. As at 15 April 2005, the Secretariat has received pledges totalling \$675,524 (40.4% of the amount approved for 2005), of which \$394,526 has been paid (see annex III below). No pledges have been received for 2006.
- 20. The sum of \$159,897 was spent to cover participation of 44 Parties eligible for financial support to attend the meeting of the Open-ended Technical Expert Group on Identification Requirements of Living Modified Organisms Intended for Direct Use as Food or Feed, or for Processing, which took place

<sup>\*</sup> Includes funds received in 2004 for 2005, and in 2005 for future years

in Montreal, from 16 to 18 March 2005. Remaining resources will be used for the participation of eligible Parties in the Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on Liability and Redress under the Protocol and for the second meeting of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Protocol.

- 21. As of 15 April 2005, pledges totalling \$280,998 to the BI Trust Fund remain unpaid.
- 22. It is hoped that sufficient contributions are received from donor Parties to facilitate the participation of at least one delegate from each of the eligible developing country Parties and Parties with economies in transition in the Protocol meetings given the fact that the Protocol is a new instrument and hence there is a no surplus or savings in the core budget to use to offset shortfalls. However, in order to ensure that this occurs, contributions/pledges need to be made to the BI Trust Fund in 2005 and 2006.

### III. PERSONNEL

### Established posts

- 23. At its first meeting, the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Protocol approved five posts under the core budget (BG Trust Fund) for the biennium 2005-2006 in its decision BS-1/10 (three Professional posts and two General Service posts). The status of recruitment of these posts is reflected in table 3 below.
- 24. As at 15 April 2005 the five posts approved under the core budget were encumbered by regularized staff members.
- 25. The Executive Secretary was also requested to review the classification of the biosafety Professional-level posts and report thereon to the second meeting of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Protocol. It should be noted that the three posts were classified at the approved level in accordance with United Nations rules and that the level of duties and responsibilities of these posts has not increased since then to warrant reclassification.

Table 3. Status of staffing under the core budget (BG Trust Fund) (as at 31 December 2004)

Status of posts	Professional posts	General Service posts
Total number of posts approved by the Conference of the		
Parties for the Biosafety Protocol	3	2
Regularized	3	2

### Capacity-building programmes

26. The Secretariat is involved in several activities that recognize the need for capacity-building for Parties in terms of furthering their knowledge of the Convention and its Biosafety Protocol process. Such activities include the fellowship and internship programmes of the Secretariat as well as the Junior/Senior Programme Officer programmes (see tables 4 and 5 below).

### Fellowship programme

- 27. The fellowship programme was initiated during the 2001-2002 biennium and is intended to give nationals from developing countries the opportunity to gain knowledge in the area of biodiversity, including biosafety, in order to assist their institutions and communities in protecting and promoting the conservation and sustainable use of biodiversity.
- 28. Selection of candidates is based on the applicants' work experience; the relevance of this experience to the work of the Protocol including how the fellow would assist with capacity-building and public awareness issues at the national level.
- 29. It is expected, that each fellow, at the end of the programme should:
- (a) Have broad knowledge of international environmental instruments and mechanisms, in particular those with relevance to biosafety, and general knowledge of the overall United Nations system;

- (b) Have a good understanding of the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety, its objectives and work programmes as well its linkages to other issues, bodies and processes;
- (c) Be capable of giving training within their communities and organizations in the field of biosafety as it relates to the issues they worked on;
  - (d) Have the tools to understand practical country-specific problems related to biosafety; and
- (e) Be able to widely disseminate the information and knowledge gained during the fellowship programme.
- 30. As at mid-April 2005 the Secretariat supported one candidate under the fellowship programme (table 4).

Table 4. Fellowship Programme in the Biosafety Protocol

Period of Fellowship	Country of Nationality	Programme	Fellowship by:
31 August 2004 – mid February 2005	Angola	Biosafety Protocol	SCBD

### Internship programme

- 31. The Secretariat's internship programme is an ongoing programme that give students an opportunity to spend a minimum of three and a maximum of sixth months at the Secretariat, in order to gain knowledge and research experience on issues relevant to their studies as well as to the work of the Protocol. It is a no-fee programme sponsored by the intern or a sponsoring organization. It provides the students with important practical experience which complements their studies and also benefits the Secretariat as an outreach programme in that these students take the knowledge and experience they have gained back to their institutions and countries.
- 32. As shown in table 5, two postgraduate students were accommodated by the internship programme.

Period of Internship Country of Nationality Programme *Internship financed by:* 3 May-3 August Rwanda Compliance with the Self 2004 Biosafety Protocol 1 September-Convention on Biological Self Japan 30 November 2004 Diversity vis-à-vis World Trade Organization dispute

settlement mechanisms

Table 5. Internship programme for the Biosafety Protocol

### Staff development

33. The Secretariat recognizes that the career development of staff members within the Secretariat plays an important role in achieving a multi-skilled and knowledgeable team and therefore encourages continual staff development through training and learning activities. Two staff members are currently enrolled in language courses, and a number of staff members have contributed scientific and policy articles on various biosafety issues.

### Junior Professional Officer (JPO) programme

34. Junior Professional Officer's are young Professional-level staff financed by their Governments through trust fund arrangements, for a period of one to three years. They contribute to the work of specific thematic or cross-cutting issues and also benefit from the range of the other issues covered under the Protocol. There are no Junior Professional Officers working on biosafety issues in 2005.

# IV. POSSIBLE ACTION BY THE CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES SERVING AS THE MEETING OF THE PARTIES TO THE CARTAGENA PROTOCOL

35. The Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Cartagena Protocol may wish to consider adopting a decision along the following lines:

"The Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety

*Having considered* the report of the Executive Secretary on the administration of the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety and the performance of the Protocol Trust Funds,

- 1. *Takes note* of the income and budget performance of the following trust funds:
- (a) The General Trust Fund (BG) for the Core Programme Budget of the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety, as reflected in annex I below;
- (b) The Special Voluntary Trust Fund (BH) for Additional Voluntary Contributions in Support of Approved Activities for the Biennium 2005-2006, as reflected in annex II below;
- (c) The Special Voluntary Trust Fund (BI) for Facilitating Participation of Developing Country Parties, for the biennium 2005-2006, as reflected in annex III below;
- 2. *Urges* Parties that have not yet done so, to pay their 2005 contributions to the BG Trust Fund as soon as possible in order to enable the Secretariat to plan and execute the Protocol programme in a timely manner;
- 3. *Invites* all Parties to the Protocol to note that contributions to the core budget (BG Trust Fund) are due on 1 January of the year in which these contributions have been budgeted for, and to pay them promptly, and *urges* Parties in a position to do so, to pay by 15 November 2005 for the calendar year 2006 the contributions required to finance the Protocol expenditures approved and, in this regard, *requests* that Parties be notified of the amount of their contributions by 15 October of the year preceding the year in which the contributions are due;
- 4. Recognizing that the Protocol is a new instrument and hence there are no surplus or savings under the General Trust Fund of the Protocol (BG Trust Fund) that may be used to offset the shortfalls for supporting approved activities and participation of developing country Parties and Parties with economies in transition in meetings organized under the Protocol, urges all Parties and States not Parties to the Protocol, as well as governmental, intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations and other sources, to contribute to the Special Voluntary Trust Funds (BH and BI) of the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety to enable the Secretariat to implement approved activities in a timely manner;
- 5. Decides to adopt a supplementary budget totalling \$......, under the BH and BI Trust Funds for additional activities to be undertaken in 2005-2006 as reflected in table ... (To be completed in case the second meeting of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Protocol decides to adopt a supplementary budget).

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 $Annex\ I$ 

GENERAL TRUST FUND FOR THE CORE BUDGET OF THE CARTAGENA PROTOCOL ON BIOSAFETY

(as at 15 April 2005)

		Collections in	Collections during	Umaid nledoes for	Collections during
Parties	Pledges for 2005 (US\$)	2004 for 2005 (US\$)	2005 for 2005 (US\$)	2005 (US\$)	2004-2005 for 2006 (US\$)
Albania	110			011	
Algeria	2 611		2 611	0	
Antigua and Barbuda	103	103		0	88
Armenia	69			69	
Austria	29 515	29 515		0	
Bahamas	447		747	0	
Bangladesh	200			200	
Barbados	344	344		0	
Belarus	618			618	
Belgium	36 731			182 98	
Belize	34			34	
Benin	39			68	
Bhutan	34			34	
Bolivia	309			306	
Botswana	412	412		0	353
Brazil	52 330		52 330	0	
Bulgaria	584			584	
Burkina Faso	69			69	
Cambodia	69		69	0	59
Cameroon	275			275	
Canada	165 000			165 000	

Parties	Pledges for 2005 (US\$)	Collections in 2004 for 2005 (US\$)	Collections during 2005 for 2005 (US\$)	Unpaid pledges for 2005 (US\$)	Collections during 2004-2005 for 2006 (US\$)
Colombia	5 326			5 326	
Croatia	1 271			1 271	
Cuba	1 477			1 477	
Cyprus	1 340		1 340	0	
Czech Republic	6 288			6 288	
Dem. Rep. of Congo	54			54	
Denmark	24 670		24 670	0	21 123
Djibouti	34			34	
Dominica	34			34	
Ecuador	653			653	
Egypt	412			412	
El Salvador	756			756	
Eritrea	19			19	
Estonia	412	412		0	
Ethiopia	137	137		0	118
European Community	50 038	40 765		9 273	
Fiji	137			137	
Finland	18 314	18 314		0	
France	207 190		207 190	0	
Gambia	34			34	
Germany	297 626			297 626	
Ghana	137			137	
Greece	18 211			18 211	
Grenada	34			34	
Guatemala	946			949	
Hungary	4 329			4 329	
India	14 466			14 466	

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Parties	Pledges for 2005 (US\$)	Collections in 2004 for 2005 (US\$)	Collections during 2005 for 2005 (US\$)	Unpaid pledges for 2005 (US\$)	Collections during 2004-2005 for 2006 (US\$)
Indonesia	4 005			4 005	
Iran	5 395			268 5	
Ireland	12 026		12 026	0	
Italy	167 848		167 848	0	143 713
Japan	440 330			440 330	
Jordan	378			378	
Kenya	309			309	
Kiribati	34			34	
Korea Democratic Republic	344			344	
Lao People's Dem. Rep.	200		200	0	171
Latvia	515	515		0	572
Lesotho	34			34	
Liberia	34			34	
Lithuania	825		825	0	90/
Luxembourg	2 646			2 646	
Madagascar	103			103	
Malaysia	6 975		6 975	0	
Maldives	34			34	
Mali	69			69	
Marshall Islands	34			34	
Mauritius	378			378	
Mexico	64 700			64 700	
Mongolia	34			34	
Mozambique	34			34	
Namibia	131			131	
Nauru	34			34	
New Zealand	4 508		4 508	0	6 375

Parties	Pledges for 2005 (US\$)	Collections in 2004 for 2005 (US\$)	Collections during 2005 for 2005 (US\$)	Unpaid pledges for 2005 (US\$)	Collections during 2004-2005 for 2006 (US\$)
Netherlands	58 068			58 068	
Nicaragua	34			34	
Nigeria	1 443			1 443	
Niue	34			34	
Norway	23 330			23 330	
Oman	2 405	2 405		0	
Palau	34			34	
Panama	653			653	
Paraguay	412			412	
Peru	3 161			3 161	
Poland	15 840	15 840		0	
Portugal	15 978			15 978	
Republic of Moldova	34			34	
Romania	2 062			2 062	
Rwanda	34			34	
Saint Kitts and Nevis	34			34	
Saint Vincent & the Grenadines	34			34	
Samoa	34			34	
Senegal	172			172	
Seychelles	69			69	
Slovakia	1 752	1 752		0	
Slovenia	2 818	2 818		0	
Solomon Islands	34			34	
South Africa	10 033			10 033	
Spain	86 587			86 587	
Sri Lanka	584			584	
Sweden	34 291			34 291	

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Parties	Pledges for 2005 (US\$)	Collections in 2004 for 2005 (US\$)	Collections during 2005 for 2005 (US\$)	Unpaid pledges for 2005 (US\$)	Collections during 2004-2005 for 2006 (US\$)
Witzerland	021.120	41 120			
Svria	1 306	771 11		1 306	
Tajikistan	34			34	
Togo	34			34	
Tonga	34			34	
Trinidad and Tobago	95 <i>L</i>		756	0	
Tunisia	1 100			1 100	
Turkey	12 782			12 782	
Uganda	200			200	
Ukraine	1 340			1 340	
United Kingdom of Great Britain	210 223	210 523			
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United Republic of Tanzania	206			206	
Venezuela	5 876			5 876	
Viet Nam	72 <i>Z</i>			722	
Zambia	69	69		0	34
Zimbabwe	142			142	
Grand Total	2 192 425	365 053	481 795	1 345 576	173 312

# Annex II

# SPECIAL VOLUNTARY TRUST FUND FOR ADDITIONAL VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS IN SUPPORT OF APPROVED ACTIVITIES OF THE CARTAGENA PROTOCOL ON BIOSAFETY (BH)

Status as at 15 April 2005 (in United States dollars)

Countries	Pledges for 2005		Collections in 2004 for future years	Collections in Unpaid pledges 2005 for 2005 & for 2004 & prior future yrs	Unpaid pledges for 2004 & prior years
Sweden	28,793	1/	28,793		0
Total	28,793		28,793		0

Pledge of 200,000 SEK for the Open-ended Ad Hoc Working Group on Liability and Redress, Montreal, 25-27 May 2005.

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Annex III

# SPECIAL VOLUNTARY TRUST FUND FOR ADDITIONAL VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS TO FACILITATE THE PARTICIPATION OF PARTIES IN THE CARTAGENA PROTOCOL ON BIOSAFETY (BI)

Status as at 15 April 2005 (in United States dollars)

Countries	Pledges for 2005		Collections in 2004 for future years	Collections in 2005 for 2005 & future yrs	Unpaid pledges for 2004 & prior years
Austria	23 958	1/	23 958		0
Austria	25 925	7/		25 925	0
Canada	74 038	<u>10</u> /		74 038	0
Denmark	17 709	9/		17 709	0
Denmark	24 872	<u>13</u> /		24 872	0
Finland	26 203	<u>5</u> /		26 203	0
France	26 420	12/			26 420
Ireland	13 072	14/			13 072
Netherlands	130 719	15/			130 719
Norway	28 500	2/	28 500		0
Norway	16 447	<u>6</u> /			16 447
Slovenia	3 874	11/		3 874	0
Sweden	36 156	3/	36 156		0
Sweden	43 291	⁄8		43 291	0
Switzerland	40 000	4/		40 000	0
Switzerland	50 000	16/		50 000	0
UK	94 340	17/			94 340
Total	675 524		88 614	305 912	280 998

- Open-ended Ad Hoc Working Group on Liability and Redress, Montreal, 25-27 May 2005.
- Pledge of 200,000 NOK for participation of developing countries and economies in transition in the Protocol process.
  - Open-ended Ad Hoc Working Group on Liability and Redress, Montreal, 25-27 May 2005
  - Open-ended Ad Hoc Working Group on Liability and Redress, Montreal, 25-27 May 2005.
- Open-ended Ad Hoc Group of Technical Experts on Identification Requirements of Living Modified Organisms Intended for Direct Use as Food or Feed, or for
- Open-ended Ad Hoc Group of Technical Experts on Identification Requirements of Living Modified Organisms Intended for Direct Use as Food or Feed, or for Processing, Montreal, 16-18 March 2005.
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  - Open-ended Ad Hoc Group of Technical Experts on Identification Requirements of Living Modified Organisms Intended for Direct Use as Food or Feed, or for 113|2|4
    - Processing, Montreal, 16-18 March 2005.
- Second meeting of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Protocol and the Ad Hoc Working Group on Liability and Redress under the Protocol.
  - Open-ended Ad Hoc Group of Technical Experts on Identification Requirements of Living Modified Organisms Intended for Direct Use as Food or Feed, or for Processing, Montreal, 16-18 March 2005.
- Open-ended Ad Hoc Group of Technical Experts on Identification Requirements of Living Modified Organisms Intended for Direct Use as Food or Feed, or for Processing, Montreal, 16-18 March 2005.

### Annex IV

# PROCEDURES FOR ASSESSING AND ADJUSTING THE SCALES OF ASSESSMENT OF THE CARTAGENA PROTOCOL ON BIOSAFETY OVER THE BIENNIUM 2005-2006

- 1. The Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Protocol in 27 February 2004, adopted the scale of assessments for the distinct costs of the Protocol.
- 2. The scale of assessments included all Parties to the Protocol on the 27 February 2004.
- 3. The scale of assessments was based upon the 2004 United Nations scale of assessment, adjusted so that no Party pays more than 22%, no least developed country pays more than 0.01%, and the European Community pays 2.5%.
- 4. States that became Party to the Protocol after 27 February 2004 but before 15 October 2004, were added to the scale of assessments and the contributions of all other Parties adjusted accordingly.
- 5. On 15 October 2004, the Trustee issued invoices to all Parties. These invoices had been adjusted to include States becoming Parties after 27 February 2004 and before 15 October 2004.
- 6. States that became Party to the Protocol *after* 15 October 2004 but *before* 1 January 2005 were invoiced by the Trustee for the full costs for 2005-2006.
- 7. States becoming Parties to the Protocol *after* 1 January 2005 will be invoiced by the Trustee on a pro rata basis.
- 8. In keeping with Financial Rule 11, the assessed contributions of all other Parties will be adjusted at the end of the biennium 2005-2006, to take into account the new Parties joining after 15 October 2004.
- 9. The adjustments will take the form of credits to the Parties in the first year of the 2007-2008 biennium.

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