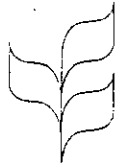




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**SUBMISSIONS RECEIVED BY THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY CONCERNING
THE CLEARING-HOUSE MECHANISM**

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CHILE
REPUBLICA DE CHILE
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EMBAJADA EN KENYA

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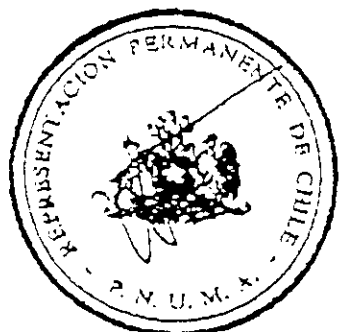
La Representación Permanente de Chile ante el Programa de las Naciones Unidas para el Medio Ambiente (PNUMA) saluda muy atentamente al Secretario Ejecutivo de la Convención de la Diversidad Biológica y tiene el honor de referirse a su Nota de fecha 4 de Enero pasado, mediante la cual solicita la opinión del Gobierno de Chile respecto de una serie de Resoluciones de la Segunda Conferencia de las Partes (II/10, II/4, II/9, II/8, II/3 y II/12).

Sobre el particular, esta Representación Permanente cumple con informar a la Secretaría Ejecutiva que, efectuadas las consultas del caso ante las autoridades pertinentes de Chile, estas han informado que se encuentran en plena elaboración y análisis de los referidos documentos, razón por la cual no ha sido posible hasta esta fecha hacerlos llegar oficialmente a la Secretaría Ejecutiva.

En consideración a lo anterior, esta Representación Permanente se permite solicitar al Señor Secretario Ejecutivo que se prorrogue el plazo fijado a Chile para la recepción de dichos antecedentes hasta fines del presente mes de marzo.

La Representación Permanente de Chile ante el Programa de las Naciones Unidas para el Medio Ambiente aprovecha la oportunidad para reiterar al Señor Secretario Ejecutivo las seguridades de su más alta y distinguida consideración.

Nairobi, 19 de Marzo de 1998



THE CLEARING-HOUSE MECHANISM UNIT UNDER THE
CONVENTION ON BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY
- CROATIA -

1. Name of the unit:

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2. Relationship of the unit to other policy making and operational centres in the government and the other institutions:

- Department of Botany is a holder of scientific project "Biological Database and GIS" (1-08-330)
- Ministry of Science and Technology financing the scientific project "Biological Database and GIS" (1-08-330)
- State Directorate for Environment identifies the unit like potential thematic center for flora, fauna, biotopes and vegetation for "Information System for Environment for Republic of Croatia"
- Department of Botany is a part of "CARNet" (Croatian Academic Research Network) Institute - unit for projecting, organization and servicing of the Croatian Information Service for Biodiversity" and "Croatian Information Service for Environment"
- Department of Botany has developed scientific and technical cooperation with many institutions and universities in Croatia and from abroad

3. Objectives and field of intervention of the unit:

Sectoral: Biodiversity, Land cover, Ecology

Thematic: List of flora (Pteridophyta, Spermatophyta)
Atlas of Flora
List of Particular Fauna Groups
Atlas of Fauna
Vegetation Maps
Bibliography
Ecological Modelling

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Geographical: Croatia

4. Communication resources:

- a) Personnel: 10
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- b) Equipment: HW: 6PC
1 Sun Spark 5 WS
Digitizer (CalComp, A1)
Printers (HP 4L)
HP DeskJet
- SW: Microsoft Office, MapInfo, NTSYS, Litfas,
Florein etc.
- Network: LAN before August 1995, WAN - unit like
node of CARNet during 1995.
- c) Databases and Knowledge-bases:
- Hard copy: scientific papers, books, offprints, reports
vegetation maps of Croatia (printed in
1:100.000) vegetation maps in
manuscript form (in 1:50.000)
- Databases: internal database on flora, fauna,
biodiversity and bibliography
some of data available via Internet in the
Croatian Information Service for
Biodiversity" and "Croatian Information
Service for Environment (until now server
on University Computer Center)

CZECH REPUBLIC

Re: Clearing-house Mechanism, Designation of National Focal Point

- Development of clearing-house mechanism is a necessary condition for implementation of CBD.
- Coordination of activities with relevant organizations and cooperation with information centres at different levels is to be assured to avoid duplication and overlap.
- Development of national information systems is of primordial importance and many difficulties have to be overcome in this respect in countries with economy in transition. Funds for the pilot phase could speed up the process.
- In the Czech Republic, National Focal Point has been designated at the Ministry of the Environment - Informatics Department, Vršovická 65, 100 10 Prague 10.
Contact person: Mr Jiří Hradec, Tel.: 42 2 6712.2186, Fax: 42 2 6731 1611, 42 2 6731 0308, E-mail: JHR@ENV.CZ.

EGYPT

CLEARING HOUSE MECHANISM (CHM) FOR TECHNICAL AND
SCIENTIFIC COOPERATION (AGENDA ITEM 4.2)

PRELIMINARY EGYPTIAN VIEWS

Egypt supports the general direction in which the elaboration of the CHM is moving.

We support the broad concept of a CHM as an electronic information network that would utilize existing institutions and networks, allow open access and have a decentralized and transparent structure. The core, or central body, of the CHM should be small and not operate as a controlling body. Control should be exercised by existing individual custodian clearing houses.

Egypt considers that the CHM should be considered as part of the broader question of building national capacity. Existing structures and institutions, on which it should be based largely, may need strengthening in some cases and the creation of new ones in some developing countries may need to be considered.

THE NETHERLANDS

Re :
Your letters dated 22 December 1995
and 12 January 1996

Ref :
DIO/EP - 0334/96

Dear Mr. Juma,

Further to my letter with reference DIO/EP-0274/96, dated 8 February 1996, I have the pleasure to submit two more names for inclusion in the Roster of Experts on Conservation and Sustainable Use of Marine and Coastal Biodiversity. The persons concerned are: Dr. H.J.L. Heessen, representative of the Netherlands Institute for Fisheries Research (RIVO-DLO) and Mr. K. Lankester, chairman of the Netherlands Biodiversity Forum. For your information I have enclosed profiles of the two institutions that they represent. The National Institute for Coastal and Marine Management, Rijkswaterstaat, Ministry of Transport, Public Works and Water Management, is willing to assume the role of coordinator between the Secretariat of the Biodiversity Convention and the Dutch experts.

With reference to your letter dated 12 January 1996 concerning the designation of National Focal Points for the Clearing House Mechanism I would like to reconfirm that the National Reference Centre for Nature Management, of the Ministry of Agriculture, Nature Management and Fisheries, functions as the national node in the Netherlands within the Clearing-house Mechanism of the Convention on Biological Diversity.


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The coordinates of this centre are as follows:

Ministry of Agriculture, Nature Management and Fisheries
National Reference Centre for Nature Management (IKC-Natuurbeheer)
P.O. Box 30
6700 AA Wageningen, The Netherlands
Phone: +31 8370 74800
Fax: +31 8370 27561
Contact person: dr. F.J. van Zadelhoff

I trust that this information is of use to you,

Yours Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'C.M. Coops', written over a horizontal line.

C.M. Coops
Head of the Economic Affairs and Trade Policy Division
International Organizations Department

Ministry House Mechanism

El punto focal para el mecanismo de facilitación de información lo constituye el INRENA.

INRENA se encuentra culminando una primera etapa en el desarrollo de una base de datos con información científica y técnica sobre especies de fauna y flora silvestre y domesticadas a nivel nacional. Para estos efectos se han elaborado fichas de ingreso especiales para el mejor manejo de la base de datos.

Adicionalmente, este sistema de información se está desarrollando de manera descentralizada con la cooperación de los centros regionales del INRENA y las universidades de las regiones.

En relación al mecanismo de facilitación de información también se están evaluando criterios para la confidencialidad de cierta información, específicamente en el caso de conocimientos, innovaciones y prácticas de comunidades indígenas y locales intrínsecamente vinculados a determinadas especies de flora y/o fauna.

RÉPUBLIQUE CENTRAFRICAINE

20.02.96

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Bangui, le 29 FEV. 1996

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OBJET : Désignation des Points Focaux.-

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Monsieur le Secrétaire Exécutif,

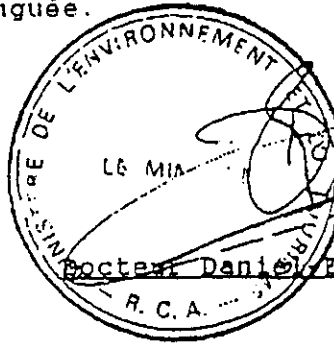
En application des dispositions de la Décision II/3 Point 7/DOC.UNEP/CDB/COP/2/INF.5, j'ai l'honneur de vous informer que Monsieur NDECKERE-ZIANGBA François, Ingénieur des Zaux et Forêts et Directeur de la Promotion de la Gestion de l'Environnement au Ministère de l'Environnement et du Tourisme est désigné comme Point Focal de la Convention sur la Diversité Biologique, conformément à l'Arrêté n°006/CAB/SG du 19 Décembre 1995. L'intéressé est secondé par Monsieur POUBANGUI Abel, Directeur des Etudes et de la Documentation au sein du même Département Ministériel.

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Pour toutes informations utiles, veuillez nous contacter
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Recevez, Monsieur le Secrétaire Exécutif, l'expression de
ma considération distinguée.



~~Docteur Daniel Emery D E D E.-~~
