NOTIFICATION VI

Report of the fifth Meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity

Nairobi, Kenya

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Compilation of Requests to Parties as Per COP 5 Decisions

This is to advise that the report of the fifth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity, in the languages, is now accessible at the Secretariat's web page at www.biodiv.org/decisions/COP5/html/index.html. Hard copies of the report and decisions have also been dispatched to the National Focal Points to the CBD.

In order to assist Parties in planning their work over the coming months in response to COP 5 decisions, the Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity has prepared the following compilation of elements of decisions requesting or inviting action by Parties. For convenience and ease of reference, the deadline(s) respective to each decision are indicated.

Decision/ Paragraph	Subject-Matter /Objectives	Request to the Parties	Timeframes/deadlines
Decision V/1 Cartagena P	rotocol on Biosafety (with cross-references	to Decision EM-I/3)	
V/1, para. 3 & EM-I/3, para 18 *	Biosafety Protocol: Biosafety Clearing House (BCH)	To make voluntary contributions for the supplementary budget for 1999-2000 presented in the table at the end of decision EM – I/3	Letter of 26 May 2000 to all CBD focal points giving the deadline of 1 July 2000 in the context of asking for nominations for the roster of experts on the BCH and seeking support for the meeting of experts on the BCH to be held in September 2000
EM-I/3, paras 3 & 4 *	Biosafety Protocol: Signature and Ratification	To sign and ratify the Protocol as soon as possible	Letter of 30 May 2000 to all CBD focal points conveying the list of signatories to the Protocol as of 26 May 2000 and reminding them that the Protocol will remain open in New York until 4 June 2001. - Note on the Millenium Summit ¹

Letter of 20 June 2000 sent to the USG, OLA, asking him to include the Biosafety Protocol in the notification on the list of core treaties which can be signed during the Millennium Summit (6-8 September 2000).

EM-I/3, para 11 *	Biosafety Protocol: the ICCP	To designate a focal point for the ICCP	Letter of 27 March 2000 to all CBD focal points giving the deadline of 30 June 2000 . Reminder sent with the letter of 26 May 2000.
EM-I/3, para.12 *	Biosafety Protocol: the ICCP	To provide information to the ICCP on existing programmes for regulating LMOs	Letter of 27 March 2000 to all CBD focal points giving the deadline of 30 June 2000. Reminder sent with the letter of 26 May 2000.
EM-I/3, para. 16 *	Biosafety Protocol: Roster of Experts on Biosafety	To promote regional cooperation for this initiative	Letter of 27 March 2000 to all CBD focal points giving the deadline of 30 June 2000 for submission of names of experts for the Roster. Reminder sent with the letter of 26 May 2000.

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Decision V/2 PROGE	RESS REPORT ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PROGRAMME OF WORK WATER ECOSYSTEMS (IMPLEMENTATION OF DECISION IV/4)	ORK ON THE BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY OF
V/2 para. 2	Participation in proposed joint work plan for the period 2000-2001 of the Convention on Biological Diversity and the Ramsar Convention on Wetlands of International Importance	As soon as possible
V/2 para. 3	Provision of information on status of inland water biological diversity	Before end of September 2000 for inclusion in SBSTTA 6 pre-session document
V/2 para. 8	Capacity-building for developing and implementing national and sectoral plans, and capacity-building programmes for monitoring the implementation of the programme of work	As soon as possible
	RESS REPORT ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PROGRAMME OF W GICAL DIVERSITY (IMPLEMENTATION OF DECISION IV/5)	ORK OF MARINE AND COASTAL
V/3 para. 6	Implementation of coral bleaching programme	Before end of September 2000 for inclusion in SBSTTA 6 pre-session document
V/3 para.7	Provision of case studies on the coral bleaching phenomenon.	Before end of September 2000 for inclusion in SBSTTA 6 pre-session document
	RESS REPORT ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PROGRAMME OF W	ORK FOR FOREST BIOLOGICAL
DIVER		
V/4 para 1.	Advancement of the work programme for forest biological diversity	As soon as possible
V/4 para. 3	Consideration of conservation and sustainable use of forest biological diversity	Urgent
V/4 para. 7	Provision of information on the implementation of the work programme through	Before June 2001 for inclusion in pre-session
7711	(case studies, entries in national reports and other means)	documents for SBSTTA 7
V/4 para. 8	Integration of national forest programmes	As soon as possible
V/4 para. 9	Participatory approach	As soon as possible
V/4 para. 10	National capacities for forest protected area networks and for implementation of sustainable forest Management.	As soon as possible
V/4 para. 13	Action on valuation of forest goods and services (IFF)	Urgent

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	LTURAL BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY: REVIEW OF PHASE I OF THE PRO	GRAMME OF WORK AND ADOPTION OF
	T-YEAR WORK PROGRAMME	1
V/5 para. 4	Programme of work and cooperation	As soon as possible
V/5 para. 5	Participatory approach, incentives	As soon as possible
V/5 para. 9	Support of the implementation of the programme of work	As soon as possible and provision of case studies before June 2001 for inclusion in presession document for SBSTTA 7
V/5 para. 10	Public awareness in support of sustainable farming and food production systems	As soon as possible
V/5 para. 13	Ratification of relevant conventions, in particular the Rotterdam Convention on the Prior Informed Consent Procedure for Certain Hazardous Chemicals and Pesticides in International Trade	Urgent
V/5 para. 18	Provision of case studies and implementation of pilot projects for COP 6	
V/5 para. 24	Genetic use restriction technologies	As soon as possible
V/5 para. 25	Article 8(g): To establish or maintain procedures for regulating, managing or controlling risks associated with the use and release of living modified organisms resulting from biotechnology.	As soon as possible
V/5 para. 26	Ways and means to address impacts of genetic use restriction technologies	As soon as possible
Decision V/6 ECOSYSTEM	M APPROACH	
V/6 para. 1 and 2	Application of the ecosystem approach principles and further conceptual elaboration, and practical verification;	As soon as possible for SBSTTA 8 or 9
V/6 para. 3	Case-studies on pilot projects on ecosystem approach	As soon as possible so that results can be available for SBSTTA 8 or 9
V/6 para. 6	Provide technical and financial support for capacity-building	As soon as possible
V/6 para. 7	Regional cooperation ion field of ecosystem approach	As soon as possible
Decision V/7 IDENTIFICA	ATION, MONITORING AND ASSESSMENT, AND INDICATORS	
V/7 para. 2	Regional cooperation and workshops on indicators	As soon as possible for inclusion of results in pre-session documents for SBSTTA 7 before June 2001
V/7 para. 4	Assistance for capacity to develop and use indicators	As soon as possible
Decision V/8 ALIEN SPEC	CIES THAT THREATEN ECOSYSTEMS, HABITATS OR SPECIES	SBSTTA 6
V/8 para. 1	Application of interim guiding principles on alien invasive species	As soon as possible

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V/8 para. 3	Case Studies on alien invasive species, particularly focusing on thematic assessments	Urgent for inclusion in the pre-session documents of SBSTT6 before end of September 2000
V/8 para. 5	Submission of written comments on interim guiding principles on alien invasive species.	Urgent for inclusion in the pre-session documents of SBSTT6 before end of September 2000
V/8 para. 6	Development of alien invasive species strategies and action plans	As soon as possible
V/8 para. 7	Development of mechanisms for transboundary cooperation	As soon as possible
V/8 para. 8	Priority to geographically and evolutionary isolated ecosystems and use of ecosystem approach and precautionary and biogeographical approaches	As soon as possible
V/8 para. 9	Education, training and public-awareness	As soon as possible
V/8 para. 12	Dissemination of publicly available information	As soon as possible
V/8 para. 17	Support to the Global Invasive Species Programme	As soon as possible
V/9 para. 2	Priority activities to further the Global Taxonomy Initiative (a) to (d) (e) Communicate to Executive Secretary and GTI Coordination Mechanism suitable programmes, project initiatives	Urgent for inclusion in the pre-session documents of SBSTT6 before end of September 2000 By 31 December 2001"
V/9 para. 4	Designation of national Global Taxonomy Initiative focal point	By 31 December 2000
	ATION OF OPTIONS FOR CONSERVATION AND SUSTAINABLE USE OF I RANEAN, ARID, SEMI-ARID, GRASSLAND AND SAVANNAH ECOSYSTEMS Support and cooperation for the programme on dry and sub-humid lands	
Decision V/24 SUSTAINA	BLE USE AS A CROSS-CUTTING ISSUE	Valie 2001
V/24 para. 4	Identification of indicators and incentive measures for sustainable use	Results will be considered at SBSTTA 8 or 9
V/24 para. 5	Support of capacity building for sustainable use practices and programmes	As soon as possible
V/24 para. 6	Participation of private sector and indigenous and local communities	AS soon as possible
V/24 para. 7	Identification of areas for conservation that would benefit through the sustainable use of biological diversity	As soon as possible Results will be considered at SBSTTA8 or 9

Paragraph Decision V/16 Article 8 (j) and related provisions					
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2001					

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	Decision V/18 Impact Assessment, Liability and Redress				
V/18 para. 6	Liability and redress: information on measures and agreements	Renews the invitation to Parties, governments and relevant international organizations, contained in its decision IV/10 (c), paragraph 8, to provide the ES with information on national, international and regional measures and agreements on liability and redress applicable to damage to biological diversity, acknowledging that some Parties, governments and organizations have already provided the ES with such information;	May 2001. Prior to Workshops		
V/18 para. 8	Workshop on liability and redress	8. Welcomes the offer of the Government of France to organize a workshop on liability and redress in the context of the Convention on Biological Diversity	Sept. 2001		

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Paragraph			
Decision V/26 Access to Ger	netic Resources		
V/26 A paragraph 1	Designation of focal points	Requests Parties to designate a national focal point and one or more competent national authorities, as appropriate, to be responsible for access and benefit-sharing arrangements and to provide information on such arrangements;	As soon as possible
V/26 A paragraph 2	Notification of focal points	Requests Parties to notify the Executive Secretary of the names and addresses of its focal points and competent authorities;	As soon as possible
V/26 A paragraph 15 (a)	Submission of information on the role of intellectual property rights in the implementation of access and benefit-sharing arrangements based on the list of specific issues that require further study developed by the Panel of experts (UNEP/CBD/COP/5/8, paras 127-138)	Invites Parties and relevant organisations to submit information on these issues by 31 December 2000	By 31 December 2000

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Paragraph	Organizations	, and the second	
Decision V/11 Add	itional Financial Resources		
V/11 para. 4	Monitoring finance for biodiversity	<u>Urges</u> developed country Parties and encourages developing country Parties to establish a process to monitor	15 May 2001 (by second national
	Financial information in national report	financial support to biodiversity, and to provide further information in their national reports on financial support to biodiversity to the Conference of the Parties at its sixth meeting	report)
V/11 para. 9	Policy reform	<u>Urges</u> developed country Parties to promote support for the implementation of the objectives of the Convention on Biological Diversity in the funding policy of their bilateral funding institutions and those of regional and multilateral funding institutions	ASAP
V/11 para. 10	Policy reform	<u>Urges</u> developing country Parties to incorporate ways and means to support implementation of the objectives of the Convention on Biological Diversity into their dialogue with funding institutions	ASAP
V/11 para. 14	Private sector in second national reports	Invites Parties to include in their second national reports information on the involvement of the private sector	15 May 2001 (by second national report)
V/11 para. 16	Tax reform	<u>Urges</u> Parties, subject to their national legislation, to promote the consideration of tax exemptions in national taxation systems for biodiversity-related donations	Ongoing
	nd Review of the Financial Mechanism		
V/12 para. 7, Annex	Submissions	The Parties, countries and stakeholders, including relevant organizations, are invited to communicate to the Executive Secretary, by 30 September 2001, their detailed views on the effectiveness and efficiency of the financial mechanism	by 30 September 2001

		on the basis of experience during the period under review.	
Decision V/14 Scien	tific and Technical Cooperation and the Cle		
	Undertake priorities for the biennium 2001-2002	Implementation of Annex I priorities for the biennium	2001-2002
V/14- para. 6	as contained in Annex I	2001-2002	
Decision V/17 Educati	on and Public Awareness		
V/17 para. 6	Capacity-building and communication	Invites Parties, Governments, organizations and institutions to support capacity-building for education and communication in biological diversity as part of their national biodiversity strategies and action plans, taking into account the global initiative;	ASAP
Decision V/19 Nation	nal Reporting		
V/19 paras. 2, 5 and 6	Submission of four-yearly across-the board reports	To use, as appropriate, the matrix to be made available by the ES (para.2); to prepare the report through a consultative process (para.6); to submit the report by 15 May 2001, in an official language, in hard and electronic formats (para.5); to post their reports on the national CHM website (para.5)	By 15 May 2001 ¹
V/19 paras. 7 and 8	Submission of thematic reports on items for indepth consideration at COP-6	To use the formats contained in Annexes II, III and IV of doc.13/Add.2; to submit the reports by the deadlines established, in an official language, in hard and electronic formats.	By 30 September 2000 (alien species) ² By 31 December 2000 (benefitsharing) ³ By 15 May 2001 (forest ecosystems) ⁴

The information in these reports will be considered by COP-6. It may also be considered by ISOC-2 if this meets in the second half of 2001.

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The information in these reports will be considered by the second meeting of the Panel of Experts on Access and Benefit-sharing. (This request to Parties corresponds to that given in para.15 (a) of decision V/26 (Access to genetic resources)

⁴ The information in these reports will be considered by the ad hoc technical expert group on forest biodiversity, if this meets in the second half of 2001; otherwise by SBSTTA-7

V/20 para 16	Strategic Plan	Request the Executive Secretary to develop the Strategic Plan based on the views of Parties	ASAP
V/20 para 33	Regional Meetings	Calls on Parties to participate actively in suitable subregional and regional activities, as well as on the Executive Secretary, subject to necessary voluntary contributions, to facilitate the involvement in such subregional and regional activities of developing country Parties, in particular the least developed and small island developing States, and other Parties with economies in transition	
V/20 para 41	Implementation Mechanisms	Invites Parties to undertake, on a voluntary basis, a review of national programmes and needs related to the implementation of the Convention and, if appropriate, to inform the Executive Secretary accordingly	ASAP
Decision V/21 Coo	peration with other bodies		
V/21 para 9	IBOY	Invites Parties, to find ways and means of collaborating with the IBOY Initiative and ensure complementarity with the Initiative foreseen to be undertaken by the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization and the Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity to increase scientific knowledge and public awareness of the crucial role of biodiversity for sustainable development;	
	ontribution to ten-year review of UNCED		I
V/27 para. 4	Biological diversity considerations in the ten-year review	Encourages Parties, Governments and Countries to highlight and emphasize biological diversity considerations in their contributions to the ten-year review	The CSD-8 decision states that 'while specific decisions on the preparatory process will be determined by the GA at its 55 th session, the

	Commission invites
	early preparations
	at the local,
	national and
	regional levels
	which should
	commence
	immediately after
	the conclusion of
	the eighth session
	of the
	Commission'5

⁵ The implication of this is that countries are encouraged to include information on biological diversity in their national reports to the CSD and that processes to review implementation of Agenda 21 at the local, national and regional levels should include consideration of biological diversity. Before transmitting the decision V/27 to national focal points, it would be useful to inform DESA/DSD of the decision and agree on what specific actions the ES could ask Parties to take in response to it.

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Paragraph			
Decision V/22 Budget of the Programme of work for the biennium 2001-2002			
V/22 para. 7	Non- payment of contributions to core budget (BY Trust Fund)	Urges Parties to pay without delay	With immediate effect
V/22 para. 14	Date of payment of contributions to core budget for the 2001 –2002 biennium	Parties to pay by 1 October 2000 and 1 October 2001 if possible but not later than 1 January 2001 and 1 January 2002	wef 1 October 2000
V/22 para. 16	Contributions to BE Trust Fund for additional approved activities	Parties to make contributions to the BE Trust Fund	With immediate effect
V/22 para. 17	Contributions to BZ Trust Fund for participation of Parties in meetings of the CBD	Parties to make contributions to the BZ Trust Fund	With immediate effect