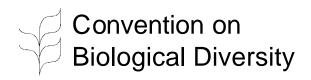
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24 March 2003

NOTIFICATION

Subject: Deadline extension for submission of thematic report on Transfer of Technology and Technology Cooperation

Dear Madam/Sir,

The purpose of this notification is to remind Parties that, in accordance with recommendation VIII/1B, paragraph (a), of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice, the deadline for submission of the thematic report on transfer of technology and technology cooperation has been extended to **31 May 2003** from the original deadline of 30 March 2003 indicated in <u>decision VI/25</u>.

In regard to notifications 2002-046 and 2003-008, Parties are also reminded to submit their thematic report on protected areas by 30 March 2003, and encouraged to submit their thematic report on mountain ecosystems, which was due by 31 October 2002, if they have not already done so.

As the three areas mentioned above have been identified as priority themes for the seventh meeting of the Conference of the Parties, I trust I can rely on the support of your Government to submit the requested information which will be incorporated into documentation for the meeting. Guidelines for the preparation of all thematic reports are available on the Convention's website at http://www.biodiv.org/world/nr-guidelines.asp?t=thm.

Please accept, Madam/Sir, the assurances of my highest consideration.

Yours sincerely,

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Hamdallah Zedan Executive Secretary

To: CBD National Focal Points

