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NOTIFICATION

Dear Madam/Sir,

Subject: Participants in the Second Business and the 2010 Biodiversity Challenge Meeting – São Paulo, Brazil, 3-5 November 2005

This Notification serves to inform you that 10 experts have been selected from those nominated by Parties in response to Notification 2005-101, dated 15 September 2005, to participate in the second Business and the 2010 Biodiversity Challenge meeting. The meeting will be held in São Paulo, Brazil, from 3 to 5 November 2005 and is being co-sponsored by the Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity, the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, the Ministry of Environment of Brazil, the World Conservation Union, the Brazilian Business Council for Sustainable Development and Insight Investment.

As of 21 October 2005, 21 nominations for the Business and the 2010 Biodiversity Challenge meeting had been received from 18 Parties: 4 from Asia; 8 from Latin America and the Caribbean; 7 from Africa; and 2 from Central and Eastern Europe. Fourteen of the nominations were received by the 1 October 2005 deadline and 17 nominations contained sufficient information to assess the expertise of the nominees. All nominees were highly accomplished and many had experience directly relevant to the meeting. Participants were selected by the co-sponsors of the meeting based on demonstrated expertise and taking into account regional and gender balance.

The following nominees were selected:

- Mr. Pisit na Patalung, President, Wildlife Fund Thailand, Thailand
- Mr. Felix Mendoza, Regional Technical Director, Department of Environment and Natural Resources, Philippines
- Ms. Utami Andayani, Assistant Deputy of Biodiversity, Ministry of Environment, Indonesia
- Mr. Eustace Hippolyte Vitalis, Agriculture Officer, Sandals Resorts, St. Lucia
- Mr. Jairo Vasquez, Head, Environmental Economics Unit, National Environmental Authority, Panama
- Ms. Patricia Reyes Linares, CITES Coordinator, Ministry of Sustainable Development, Bolivia

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- Mr. Mfumu Richard Lungu, Senior Natural Resources Management Officer, Ministry of Tourism, Environment and Natural Resources, Zambia
- Mr. Jonathan Davies, Head, Environmental Monitoring Unit, Environmental Protection Agency, Liberia
- Mr. Pierre du Plessis, Consultant, Center for Research Information Action in Africa, Namibia
- Mr. Victor Pisotskiy, Director, Thalweg-Base Ltd., Ukraine

I would like to thank you for submitting nominations for the second Business and the 2010 Biodiversity Challenge meeting and for your continued support of the work of the Convention.

Sincerely yours,

Hamdallah Zedan Executive Secretary