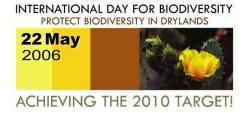


Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity



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NOTIFICATION

Re: List of selected experts for the Expert Workshop On Protected Areas Curitiba, Brazil, 17 & 18 March 2006

Dear Madam/Sir,

I have the pleasure to inform you that, pursuant to recommendation 1/4, paragraph 8 (d) of the first meeting of the Ad Hoc Open-Ended Working Group on Protected Areas, I am convening an expert workshop on protected areas on 17 and 18 March 2006 in Curitiba, Brazil, prior to the eighth meeting of the Conference of the Parties, with financial support from the European Union.

In notification Ref: 2006-04 dated 11 January 2006, the CBD Focal Points, other organizations and indigenous and local communities were invited to submit nominations of experts for the workshop. After due consideration, in consultation with the COP Bureau, taking into account the criteria listed in the notification including practical experience with protected area issues, experience with management and monitoring of protected areas, knowledge of the programme of work on protected areas, gender and geographical balance, 16 experts nominated by Governments, six experts nominated by organizations and indigenous and local communities, and two resource persons have been selected for participation in the workshop. The list of selected experts is provided in the Annex to this notification.

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

Ahmed Djoghlaf **Executive Secretary**

To: CBD National Focal Points and relevant organizations



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Annex

Selected experts for the Expert Workshop on Protected Areas, Curitiba, Brazil, 17 and 18 March 2006

Africa:

Mr. Guy Suzon Ramangason, Madagascar

Mr. Theophilus Varney Freeman, Liberia

Mr. Aggrey Rwetisba, Uganda

Asia and the Pacific:

Mr.V.B. Mathur, India Mr.Anuwat Nateewatahnna,, Thailand Ms. Ratita Bebe, Kiribati

Central and Eastern Europe (CEE):

Mrs. Kaja Lotman, Estonia

Mr. Iurie Virgil Maxim, Romania

Mr. Alexander Shestakov, Russian Federation

Latin America and Carribbean Countries (GRULAC):

Ms. Julia Miranda Londono, Colombia

Mrs. Zulima Ricard de Mendoza, El Salvador

Mr. Arq. Enrique Higinio Hernandez Hernandez, Cuba

Ms. Adriana Sader Tescari, Brazil

Western Europe and Others Group (WEOG):

Mr. Peter Cochrane, Australia

Mr. Marc Johnson, Canada

Mr. Rauno Vaisanen, Finland

NGOs and other organizations:

Mr. Nikita Lopoukhine, Chair IUCN-WCPA

Ms. Jacqueline M.Goerck, BirdLife International-Brazil

Mr. Jordi Beneria Surkin, Conservation International

Mr. Tarsicio Granizo, The Nature Conservancy

Ms. Joy Hyvarinen, The Royal Society for the Protection of Birds

Indigenous and local communities:

Ms. Jannie Lasimbang

Resource persons:

Mr. Stefan Leiner, EC

Mr. Peter Bos, the Netherlands