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ACHIEVING THE 2010 TARGET!

27 June 2006

NOTIFICATION

Subject: Brainstorming session of the eight past, present and future Chairs of SBSTTA, 24 & 25 July 2006, and Meeting of the SBSTTA Bureau, 26 July 2006, Paris, France

Dear Madam/Sir,

The purpose of this notification is to inform you that, in consultation with the Chair of SBSTTA-12 and with the generous financial support of UNEP's Division of Environmental Conventions, a brainstorming meeting of the past, present and future Chairs of SBSTTA is being convened on 24 and 25 July 2006, kindly hosted by the Muséum National d'Histoire Naturelle, in Paris, France. This session will identify ways and means to enhance the scientific underpinning of SBSTTA and improve the effectiveness of this body, in light of the Convention's Strategic Plan and the 2010 target.

On 26 July 2006, there will be a Meeting of the SBSTTA Bureau to discuss the provisional agenda for both meetings, SBSTTA-12 and SBSTTA-13.

The documents for this Brainstorming Session are posted on the website of the Secretariat, at the following address: <u>http://www.biodiv.org/convention/sbstta.asp?page=doc</u>

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

Yours sincerely,

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To all SBSTTA National Focal Points



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