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NOTIFICATION

Web-based guidance on the Integration of Biodiversity Considerations within Climate Change Adaptation Planning - <http://adaptation.biodiv.org>

Dear Madam/Sir,

In decision VIII/30, the Conference of Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD) requested the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical, Technological Advice (SBSTTA) to develop draft guidance on how to integrate relevant climate change impacts and response activities into the programmes of work of the Convention.

In preparation for consideration of this item at the twelfth meeting of SBSTTA, the Executive Secretary has developed, with the kind support of the Government of Canada, web-based guidance on the integration of biodiversity considerations within climate change adaptation planning.

The purpose of this web-based guidance (available at <http://adaptation.biodiv.org>) is to make relevant material, gathered for the development of the SBSTTA document, available to Parties including:

- a map displaying vulnerable regions, sub-regions, ecosystem types and natural World Heritage Sites;
- tables outlining the threats to biodiversity from climate change and the impacts of adaptation options on biodiversity;
- searchable databases of relevant documents and websites; and
- an interactive map of case studies on biodiversity in adaptation planning.

The website contains information in English, French and Spanish and will be updated, as needed, to provide access to the latest research, lessons learned and practical experiences.

Yours sincerely,

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Executive Secretary

To: CBD National Focal Points and SBSTTA Focal Points

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