

## Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity

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**Biodiversity and Climate Change** 

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## NOTIFICATION

## Submission of Information on Experience Gained in Using the Preliminary Set of Indicators for Monitoring Implementation of the Capacity-Building Action Plan

Dear Madam/Sir,

In its Decision BS-I/5, paragraph 28, the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety (COP-MOP 1) invites Parties, other Governments, and relevant organizations to submit to the Executive Secretary, and to share through the Biosafety Clearing-House, their experience in using the preliminary set of indicators for monitoring implementation of the Action Plan for Building Capacities for Effective Implementation of the Protocol. In paragraph 29 of same Decision, the Executive Secretary is requested to prepare, for consideration at the fourth meeting of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Protocol (COP-MOP 4), a report on the operational experience in using the above-mentioned indicators and proposals for their further development and refinement, on the basis of submissions by Parties, other Governments, and relevant organizations.

Pursuant to the above Decision, I wish to inform you that I plan to convene a meeting of the Liaison Group on Capacity-Building for Biosafety to assist the Secretariat in preparing proposals for further development and refinement of the preliminary set of indicators, taking into account the updated Action Plan for Building Capacities for Effective Implementation of the Protocol, which was adopted in Decision BS-III/3. In order to prepare background documents for the meeting of the Liaison Group in a timely manner, it gives me pleasure to invite Parties, other Governments, and relevant organizations to submit to the Secretariat the information referred to in paragraph 28 of Decision BS-I/5, as well as any other views and suggestions for further development and refinement of the preliminary set of indicators.

It would be greatly appreciated if submissions could reach the Secretariat as soon as possible, but no later than 15 October 2007.

Thank you for your continued cooperation and support towards the work of the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety.

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

Ahmed Djoghlaf Executive Secretary

To: National Focal Points of Parties to the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety CBD National Focal Points (where CPB National Focal Points have not yet been designated) Relevant Organizations

