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NOTIFICATION

Participation of Parliamentarians in the ninth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity (COP 9)

Dear Madam/Sir,

The Secretariat would like to inform Parties that, on the occasion of the ninth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity (COP 9), the Environment Committee of the German Parliament will hold its regular session on 27 May 2008 in Bonn, instead of Berlin. The President of the Committee intends to organize a meeting with the parliamentarians of other Parties both on the margins of the planned meeting, and at the location of the conference. The Secretariat has been informed that the government of Germany will nominate parliamentarians as members of its official delegation.

With a view to engaging parliamentarians of the world in the enhanced phase of implementation of the objectives of the Convention, Parties are invited to include parliamentarians in their delegations to COP 9 and communicate their name and coordinates to the Secretariat, as well as to Ms. Maryanne Odera of the Federal Ministry for the Environment, Nature Conservation and Nuclear Safety of Germany, at maryanne.odera@bmu.bund.de (telephone: +49-228-305-4464). The details about the venue and timing of the dialogue among parliamentarians attending COP 9, as well as with Parties, will be announced in due course.

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

Ahmed Djoghlaf
Executive Secretary

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