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NOTIFICATION

First Meeting of the Liaison Group on Bushmeat 15-17 October 2009, Buenos Aires, Argentina

Dear Madam/Sir,

The unsustainable hunting and trade of bushmeat, and their impacts on non-target species, were identified by the Conference of the Parties at its ninth meeting as an issue to be addressed as a matter of priority. The first meeting of the Liaison Group on Bushmeat is thus convened in response to element 1, goal 4, objective 2 of the expanded programme of work on forest biological diversity (decision VI/22, annex), as well as in response to the priority areas identified by the Conference of the Parties in decision IX/5 for further implementation of the programme of work.

Pursuant to Decision IX/5, I have the honour to inform you that the Secretariat is holding the **first meeting of the Liaison Group on Bushmeat** on 15-17 October 2009 in Buenos Aires, Argentina.

Invitations to nominate one participant to the workshop were sent to all Parties to which this issue is of direct relevance. I am pleased to inform Parties that the selection of representatives to receive financial assistance in order to participate in the above-mentioned meeting has been completed. Funding has been allocated to the participants listed in Annex 1 according to the following criteria:

- Representatives involved in national-level implementation of the CBD programme of work on forest biodiversity (decisions VI/22 and IX/5), and/or the development and implementation of policies and measures for the sustainable use of wildlife-based resources;
- Representatives in a position to prepare and present a brief report on challenges and opportunities to the conservation and sustainable use of bushmeat in their country;
- Working knowledge of English..

Funded participants will be contacted directly by the Secretariat with regards to travel arrangements.

Information about the workshop, including the provisional agenda, is available on the CBD website at the following address: <https://www.cbd.int/doc/?meeting=LGB-01>.

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

Ahmed Djoghlaif
Executive Secretary

To: CBD National Focal Points in Tropical Developing Countries

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UNFF Focal Points in Tropical Developing Countries



Annex 1

LIST OF FUNDED PARTICIPANTS

Liaison Group on Bushmeat: First Meeting, 15-17 October 2009 – Buenos Aires, Argentina

Cambodia

Mr. Suon Phalla, Senior Officer in Department of Wildlife and Biodiversity of Forestry Administration

Colombia

Ms. Claudia Luz Rodriguez, Profesional Especializado del Grupo de Conservación y Use de la Biodiversidad de la Dirección de Ecosistemas

Democratic Republic of the Congo

Mr. François Kapa Batunyi, National Focal Point of the CBD

Guyana

Mr. Oumardatt Ramcharran, Environmental Officer II Biodiversity Unit, Natural Resources Management Division, EPA

Mali

Mr. Namory Traore, Focal Point on programme of work on protected areas (POWPA) of CBD

Republic of the Congo

Mr. Claude Etienne Massimba, Director of Fauna and Protected Areas

Thailand

Mr. Anak Pattanavibool, Director, Wildlife Conservation Society Thailand Program

CBD COP-9 Bureau

Ms. Somaly Chan, Director of Department of International Convention and Biodiversity of the Ministry of Environment, Cambodia

Central African Bushmeat Working Group

Mr. Marcellin Agnagna, Chair, Central African Bushmeat Working Group