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NOTIFICATION

Meeting on Parliamentarians and Biodiversity Nagoya, 25-26 October 2010

Dear Madam/Sir,

I have the honour to inform you that the Secretariat, in collaboration with the Global Legislators Organisation, GLOBE International, and working closely with GLOBE Japan, is convening a meeting on “Parliamentarians and Biodiversity” to be held on the margins of the tenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity, on 25 and 26 October 2010 at Nagoya City, Aichi Prefecture, Japan.

By adopting the Bonn Declaration on Parliamentarians and Biodiversity at the ninth meeting of the Conference of the Parties in May 2008, parliamentarians encouraged GLOBE International and the International Parliamentary Union (IPU) to support world-wide parliamentary dialogue as well as the convening, in 2010, of a meeting of parliamentarians to mark the celebration of the International Year of Biodiversity and to review and further strategize on the contribution of parliamentarians to the implementation of the Convention.

The “Parliamentarians and Biodiversity” meeting aims at engaging legislators during the implementation of the new Strategic Plan of the Convention and, in particular, during the revision of the national biodiversity strategies and action plans (NBSAPs) over the period 2011-2012 and their implementation during 2011-2020. GLOBE International will further support the mainstreaming of biodiversity across the world’s parliaments by working closely with legislators from a number of countries to ensure that biodiversity is integrated into parliamentary decision making processes.

The Secretariat of the CBD highly encourages Parties to include parliamentarians in their delegation to the tenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties (COP 10) and to inform the Secretariat of the names of their representatives at their earliest convenience and no later than **30 September 2010**.

The provisional agenda for the meeting on 25-26 October 2010 and the annotations thereto will be sent to Parties as soon as possible.

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

Ahmed Djoghlaif
Executive Secretary

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