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# NOTIFICATION

# Indigenous and local community negotiators meeting 17-21 September 2010, Montreal, Canada

Dear Madam/Sir,

The Parties to the Convention have recognized the importance of the participation of indigenous and local communities in the elaboration and negotiation of the international regime on access and benefit-sharing in the preamble of decision IX/12 and in paragraphs 18 and 19 of that decision, which encourages Parties, other governments and international organizations to provide the ways and means to allow for sufficient preparation and to facilitate effective participation of indigenous and local communities, including through national and regional workshops, in the process of the negotiation and elaboration of the international regime, in accordance with decision VIII/5 C.

In this connection, I am pleased to inform Parties and stakeholders that, following an initiative of the International Indigenous Forum on Biodiversity (IIFB) and with the financial support of the Government of Spain, a meeting for indigenous and local community negotiators will be facilitated by the Secretariat from 17-21 September in Montreal on the margins of the meeting of the Inter-regional Negotiation Group (ING), established by the resumed ninth meeting of the Working Group on Access and Benefit-sharing.

The International Indigenous Forum on Biodiversity (IIFB) has provided to the Secretariat the names of indigenous and local community representatives from the seven geocultural regions who will participate in this meeting (refer annex I). The selected participants will be contacted directly by the Secretariat with regard to travel arrangements.

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

Ahmed Djoghlaf Executive Secretary

#### Attachment

To: CBD National Focal Points and Indigenous and Local Communities





# LIST OF BENEFICIARIES OF THE VOLUNTARY FUND FOR THE SECOND INDIGENOUS AND LOCAL COMMUNITY NEGOTIATORS MEETING 17-21 SEPTEMBER 2010, MONTREAL, CANADA

## Africa

- 1. Ms. Lucy Mulenkei
- 2. Mr. Gladman Chibememe

## Asia

- 3. Ms. Jocelyn (Joji) Carino
- 4. Mr. Sonam Sherpa

# **Eastern Europe and the Caucasus**

- 5. Ms. Nyurguyana (Yana) Dordina
- 6. Ms. Tatiana Degai

# **Europe and the Arctic**

7. Mr. Mattias Ahren

# **Latin America and the Caribbean**

- 8. Ms. Yolanda Terán,
- 9. Mr. Estabancio Castro

# **North America**

- 10. Mr. Merle Alexander
- 11. Mr. Preston Hardison

#### The Pacific

12. Mr. Les Malezer