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NOTIFICATION

Composition of the Informal Advisory Committee on Communication, Education and Public Awareness (CEPA-IAC)

Madam/Sir,

Through its decisions VII/24 and VIII/6, the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity established an informal advisory committee to provide advice on the development and implementation of the Programme of Work for the Global Initiative for Communication, Education and Public Awareness.

Pursuant to nominations received in response to the notifications 2015-031 and 2015-044, issued on 12 March 2015 and 17 April 2015, respectively, I am pleased to convey herewith, for your information, the list of Government representatives, as well as representatives from indigenous and local communities, and relevant organizations, selected as members of the Informal Advisory Committee on Communication, Education and Public Awareness (CEPA-IAC). The members were selected with due regard to the nominees' expertise, equitable geographic representation and gender balance.

Against this background, I am pleased to inform you that a meeting of the CEPA IAC will be convened from 28 to 29 July 2016 in Montreal, Canada. The meeting will include a workshop, with the participation of additional external experts, to explore messaging approaches for specific target groups in the context of the different Aichi Biodiversity Targets. The outcomes of this workshop will be reported to the Conference of the Parties at its thirteenth meeting, in response to decision XII/2(c) adopted by the Conference of the Parties which requested the Executive Secretary to further promote awareness-raising by, *inter alia*, "Facilitating the development of a global communication strategy, to be implemented over the second half of the United Nations Decade, incorporating messaging approaches to be used as a flexible framework for Parties and relevant organizations."

Documents for the meeting, including the annotated agenda, will also be posted in due course on the Secretariat's web site at https://www.cbd.int/meetings/.

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

Braulio Ferreira de Souza Dias Executive Secretary

Enclosure

To: CBD National Focal Points, relevant organizations, and indigenous peoples and local communities





SELECTED MEMBERS OF THE INFORMAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON COMMUNICATION, EDUCATION AND PUBLIC AWARENESS

AFRICA	
1. Cameroon	Ms. Natang Priscilla Song
2. Ethiopia	Mr. Dereje Taye
3. Uganda	Mr. Daniel J Babikwa
4. United Republic of Tanzania	Ms. Martha Raymond Ngalowera
ASIA AND THE PACIFIC	
5. India	Mr. Kartikeya V. Sarabhai
6. Iran (Islamic Republic Of)	Ms. Samane Azizi
7. Kyrgyzstan	Ms. Duishenova Jyldyz
8. Tonga	Ms. Fononga Vainga Ofaloto
CENTRAL AND EASTERN EUROPE	
9. Poland	Ms. Anna Kalinowska
LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARRIBEAN	
10. Antigua and Barbuda	Mr. Desmond L. Brown
11. Colombia	Ms. Claudia Maria Villa
12. Peru	Mr. Ruddy Tena Arrascue
WESTERN EUROPE AND OTHER GROUPS 13. Belgium	Ms. Marianne Schlesser
13. Belgium 14. Canada	Ms. Krista Locs
15. France	Ms. Céline Liret
Indigenous Peoples and Local Communities	
1. Indigenous Organization Andes Chinchasuyu	Ms. Yolanda Teran Maigua
Organizations	
1. Canadian Environmental Network	Ms. Leslie Adams
	Primary: Ms. Melina Sakiyama
2. Global Youth Biodiversity Network	Alternate: Mr. Christian Schwarzer
3. Groupe uni des éducateurs-naturalistes et	
professionnels en environnement (GUEPE)	Mr. Antoine Pin
4. IUCN Japan Committee	Mr. Teppei Dohke
5. IUCN Commission on Education and Communication	Primary : Ms. Louisa Nakanuku-Diggs
	Alternate: Mr. Fritz Hesselink
6. Missouri Botanical Garden	Ms. Sheila Voss
7. Union for Ethical Biotrade	Mr. Rik Lojenga
	Primary: Ms. Asma Awadh
8. WWF International	Alternate: Ms. Ajita Nayar