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NOTIFICATION

Invitation to review the updated version of the draft global action plan to mainstream biodiversity and health linkages

Dear Sir or Madam,

In paragraph 5 of decision <u>15/29</u>, the Conference of the Parties (COP) to the Convention on Biological Diversity requested the Executive Secretary to complete the work pursuant to decision <u>14/4</u>, paragraph 13 (c), on a draft global action plan, drawing on the deliberations of the resumed session of the twenty-fourth meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice (SBSTTA). In the same decision, the COP also requested the Executive Secretary to invite Parties, other Governments, indigenous peoples and local communities, women, youth, and other relevant stakeholders to review the updated version of the draft global action plan, and to make the outcomes of this work available for consideration by SBSTTA at its next meeting.

In light of the above, Parties, other Governments, indigenous peoples and local communities, and relevant stakeholders are invited to participate in the peer-review of the updated version of the draft global action plan. The updated version of the draft global action plan, together with the peer-review template for submitting comments and views, are available at <u>https://www.cbd.int/health/peer-review/</u>. Please note that only comments submitted using the peer-review template will be considered and submissions received will be posted at this same location.

Review comments should be sent through an official letter addressed to the Executive Secretary by e-mail to <u>secretariat@cbd.int</u> as soon as possible and no later than **12 February 2024**. Submissions from Parties should be made through the relevant national focal point to the Convention, and those from organizations through the head of the organization.

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

(Signed) David **Cooper** Acting Executive Secretary

To: CBD focal points, SBSTTA focal points, Cartagena Protocol focal points, ABS focal points, indigenous peoples and local communities, and relevant organizations







