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#### XIII/32. Administration of the Convention and the budget for the Trust Funds of the Convention

#### A. Budget for the integrated programme of work of the Secretariat

The Conference of the Parties,

*Recalling* its decision XII/32 and decision VII/7 of the of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety at its seventh meeting, decision I/13 of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Nagoya Protocol on Access and Benefit Sharing of Genetic Resources,

*Welcoming* the adoption by the United Nations Environment Assembly of Resolution 2/18 on the relationship between the United Nations Environment Programme and the multilateral environmental agreements for which it provides the Secretariat.

1. *Decides* to adopt an integrated programme of work and budget for the Convention on Biological Diversity, the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety and the Nagoya Protocol on Access and Benefit Sharing;

2. *Also decides* to share all costs for Secretariat services among the Convention, the Cartagena Protocol and the Nagoya Protocol on a ratio of 76:16:8 for the biennium 2017-2018;

3. *Approves* a core (BY) programme budget for the Convention of 13,954,800 United States dollars for the year 2017 and of 14,283,600 United States dollars for the year 2018, representing 76 per cent of the integrated budget of 18,361,600 United States dollars for the year 2017 and 18,794,200 United States dollars for the year 2018 for the Convention and the Protocols, for the purposes listed in the tables 1a and 1b below;

<sup>\*</sup> Reissued for technical reasons on 13 February 2017.

4. *Expresses* its appreciation to Canada as the host country for its renewed support to the Secretariat and welcomes the contribution of 1,593,657 Canadian dollars for the year 2017 and 1,600,774 Canadian dollars for the year 2018, from the host country, Canada, and the Province of Quebec, to the rental and associated costs of the Secretariat, which has been allocated on a ratio of 76:16:8 to offset contributions from the Parties to the Convention, the Cartagena Protocol and the Nagoya Protocol, respectively, for the biennium 2017-2018;

5. *Adopts* the scale of assessments for the apportionment of expenses for 2017 and 2018 as contained in the table 6 below;

6. *Notes* that the in-depth functional review of the Secretariat was not completed in a timely manner and that, therefore, the full report of the independent consultant on the analysis of individual posts was not shared with the Bureau of the Conference of the Parties in accordance with recommendation 1/13 of the Subsidiary Body on Implementation;<sup>1</sup>

7. *Takes note* of the outcome of the functional review and the upgrading of a P-3 post to P-4 and four P-4 posts to P-5 managerial positions, and *welcomes* the new structure of the Secretariat, which should lead to further synergies and efficiencies;

8. *Takes note* of the indicative staffing table 2 of the Secretariat of the biennium 2017-2018 used for costing purposes to set the overall budget;

9. *Authorizes* the Executive Secretary, within the rules and regulations of the United Nations and without prejudice to any decision by the Conference of the Parties at its fourteenth meeting, to adjust the staffing levels and numbers, and structure of the Secretariat, provided that the overall cost of the Secretariat of the Convention and its Protocols remains within that of the indicative staffing table and that there are no consequent increases in the staff costs in the integrated budget in future bienniums, and to report on the adjustments made to the Parties of the Convention and its Protocols at their next meetings;

10. Decides to set aside the sum of 395,000 United States dollars from the operating budget surplus for the biennium 2015-2016 that could potentially be drawn on if, in the opinion of the Executive Director of the United Nations Environment Programme, exceptional circumstances arise during the preparation of the next meetings of the Parties to the Convention and its Protocols, and *invites* the Executive Director, if he is satisfied of the need and the compatibility of such a draw-down with the Financial Rules and Regulations of the United Nations Environment Programme, to authorize the Executive Secretary to draw on the set-aside and submit a direct report to the Parties to the Convention and Parties to the Protocols at their next meetings;

11. *Authorizes* the Executive Secretary to enter into commitments up to the level of the approved budget, drawing on available cash resources, including unspent balances, contributions from previous financial periods and miscellaneous income;

12. Also authorizes the Executive Secretary to transfer resources among the programmes between each of the main appropriation lines set out in table 1a below up to an aggregate of 15 per cent of the total programme budget, provided that a further limitation of up to a maximum of 25 per cent of each such appropriation line shall apply;

13. *Expresses its concern* about the effect of Umoja on the operations of the Secretariat in the biennium 2015-2016, and *hopes* that its potential benefits will be realized in the coming biennium;

14. *Invites* all Parties to the Convention to note that contributions to the core programme budgets (BY, BG and BB) are due on 1 January of the year for which those contributions have been budgeted, and to pay them promptly, and *urges* Parties in a position to do so to pay by 31 December 2016

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See UNEP/CBD/COP/13/6, Sect. I.

for the calendar year 2017 and by 1 October 2017 for the calendar year 2018, and, in this regard, *requests* that Parties be notified of the amount of their contributions as early as possible in the year preceding the year in which the contributions are due;

15. *Notes with concern* that a number of Parties to the Convention and its Protocols have not paid their contributions to the core budgets (BY, BG and BB Trust Funds) for 2016 and prior years, including Parties that have never paid their contributions, and *also notes* that, in accordance with the International Public Sector Accounting Standards adopted by the United Nations,<sup>2</sup> arrears estimated at 759,400 United States dollars for the Convention, 133,349 United States dollars for the Cartagena Protocol and 6,299 United States dollars for the Nagoya Protocol will be outstanding at the end of 2016 and will have to be deducted from the fund balance to cover doubtful debt and so cannot be used for the benefit of all the respective Parties;

16. Urges Parties that have still not paid their contributions to the core budgets (BY, BG, BB Trust Funds) for 2015 and prior years to do so without delay or conditionalities, and *requests* the Executive Secretary to publish and regularly update information on the status of contributions to the Convention's Trust Funds (BY, BG, BB, BE, BH, BX, BZ and VB) and to keep the members of the Bureaux of the Convention and its Protocols updated so that they can provide information on unpaid contributions and their consequences at regional meetings;

17. *Confirms* that, with regard to contributions due from 1 January 2005 onwards, Parties whose contributions are in arrears for two (2) or more years will not be eligible to become a member of the Bureaux of the Convention, its Protocols or the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice or to nominate a member of a compliance committee, and decides that this will only apply in the case of Parties that are not least developed countries or small island developing States;

18. *Authorizes* the Executive Secretary to enter into arrangements with any Party whose contributions are in arrears for two or more years to mutually agree on a "schedule of payments" for such a Party to clear all outstanding arrears within six years depending on the financial circumstances of the Party in arrears and pay future contributions by the due date, and report on the implementation of any such arrangement to the Bureau at its next meeting and to the Conference of the Parties;

19. *Decides* that a Party with an agreed arrangement in accordance with paragraph 18 above and that is fully respecting the provisions of that arrangement will not be subject to the provisions of paragraph 17 above;

20. *Requests* the Executive Secretary and *invites* the President of the Conference of the Parties, through a jointly signed letter, to notify Parties whose contributions are in arrears inviting them to take timely action and to thank those Parties that have responded in a positive manner in paying their outstanding contributions;

21. *Notes* that the trust funds for the Convention and its Protocols (BY, BG and BB) should be extended for a period of two years beginning 1 January 2018 and ending 31 December 2019, and *requests* the Executive Director of the United Nations Environment Programme to seek the approval of the United Nations Environment Assembly for their extension;

22. *Decides* to promote the integrated approach to implementation within the Secretariat by merging the Trust Funds for additional voluntary contributions in support of approved activities of the Convention and its Protocols (BE, BH, BX) so that resources may be used for projects targeted at more than one instrument and, in this regard, decides that new voluntary contributions for activities should be placed in the BE Trust Fund, and *requests* the Executive Director of the United Nations Environment Programme to seek the approval of the United Nations Environment Assembly to change the name of the

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> See General Assembly resolution 60/283, sect. IV.

merged Trust Fund to "Special Voluntary Trust Fund for Contributions in Support of Additional Approved Activities of the Convention on Biological Diversity and its Protocols";

23. Decides that the VB Trust Fund should be available to facilitate the participation of indigenous peoples and local communities in the work of the Convention and its Protocols and requests the Executive Director of the United Nations Environment Programme to seek the approval of the United Nations Environment Assembly to change the name of the VB Trust Fund to "Special Voluntary Trust Fund for Contributions to Facilitate the Participation of Indigenous Peoples and Local Communities";

24. *Acknowledges* the funding estimates for:

(a) The BE Trust Fund for additional approved activities of the Convention and its Protocols for the period 2017-2020 included in table 3 below;

(b) The Special Voluntary Trust Fund (BZ) for facilitating participation of developing country Parties, in particular the least developed countries and small island developing States as well as Parties with economies in transition, for the period 2017-2020, contained in table 4 below;

(c) The VB Trust Fund for facilitating participation of Indigenous Peoples and Local Communities in the work of the Convention and its Protocols for the period 2017-2020, contained in table 5 below;

25. *Notes* that the voluntary trust funds (BE, BZ, VB) for the Convention and its Protocols should be extended for a period of four years beginning 1 January 2018 and ending 31 December 2021, and *requests* the Executive Director of the United Nations Environment Programme to seek the approval of the United Nations Environment Assembly for their extension;

26. *Expresses its appreciation* to the Executive Director of the United Nations Environment Programme for his positive response to the request in paragraph 5 of the United Nations Environment Assembly Resolution 2/18, in waiving the programme support costs on the voluntary contributions for participation from the BZ and VB Trust Funds, on an exceptional basis for the thirteenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties, the eighth meeting of the Parties to the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety and the second meeting of the Parties to the Nagoya Protocol on Access and Benefit-sharing;

27. *Invites* the Executive Director of the United Nations Environment Programme to continue this exceptional arrangement for the BZ and VB Trust Funds since the Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity meets the criteria set out in Resolution 2/18, namely that arranging participation is done by administrative staff financed from the programme support costs of the operating budget;

28. *Takes note* with concern, and, on an exceptional basis, *acknowledges* the use by the Executive Secretary of savings, unspent balances from previous financial periods and miscellaneous income in the amount of 544,000 United States dollars from the BY Trust Fund, of which to date an estimated amount of 243,018 United States dollars was spent to fund the participation of developing country Parties, in particular the least developed countries and small island developing States, as well as Parties with economies in transition, in the thirteenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties;

29. *Notes* that, under paragraph 7(a) of the Financial Rules,<sup>3</sup> only the Conference of the Parties and the meetings of the Parties to the two Protocols should receive budget proposals, and that under paragraph 7(b), only the Conference of the Parties and the meetings of the Parties to the two Protocols can make decisions regarding the budget and that, in the absence of agreement on paragraph 16 of the same rules, such decisions can only be made by consensus in the presence of two thirds of the Parties;

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> See <u>Conference of the Parties decision III/1</u>, appendix.

30. *Reminds* the Executive Secretary not to make proposals for a decision to any Bureau on the use of savings, unspent balances or miscellaneous income from any Trust Fund of the Convention or its Protocols since the Bureaux cannot authorize the Executive Secretary to act on budget matters;

31. *Requests* the Executive Secretary not to make any further commitments from the allocation of 544,000 United States dollars described in paragraph 28 above and to ensure that the unused balance remains unrestricted in the BY Trust Fund;

32. *Recalls* rule 30 of the rules of procedure of the Convention, and *stresses* the need to have a wide range of Parties attending meetings of the Parties to the Convention and its Protocols, especially in order to reach the level of two thirds of Parties present needed to provide a quorum for the meeting, allowing decisions to be taken;

33. *Reaffirms* the importance of full and active participation of the developing country Parties, in particular the least developed countries and small island developing States, as well as Parties with economies in transition, in the meetings of the Convention and its Protocols and, in this context, *requests* the Executive Secretary to take into account the relevant decisions of the Conference of the Parties and the meetings of the Parties to its Protocols on concurrent meetings and on improving the efficiencies of the structures and processes of the Convention and its Protocols;

34. *Notes with concern* that the participation of developing countries, especially least developed countries and small island developing States as well as Parties with economies in transition, in meetings of the Convention and its Protocols has been adversely affected by the lack of predictable and sustainable funding;

35. *Calls upon* developed country Parties and other Parties in a position to do so, including in the context of South-South cooperation, to substantially increase their contributions to the BZ Trust Fund on a voluntary basis and to guarantee that their pledges are honoured well in advance of meetings to allow for full and active participation;

36. *Requests* the Executive Secretary to explore possibilities of formally engaging the private sector in supporting the BZ Trust Fund for the participation of developing countries, to further develop the modalities to ensure the transparency of private sector contributions and avoid the appearance of influence, in accordance with Principle 10 of the United Nations Global Compact, for consideration by the Subsidiary Body on Implementation at its second meeting and a decision at the next meetings of the Parties to the Convention and its Protocols;

37. *Also requests* the Executive Secretary to remind Parties of the need to contribute to the Special Voluntary Trust Fund (BZ) at least six months prior to the ordinary meetings of the Convention and its Protocols and to issue early invitations to other donors to make contributions;

38. *Further requests* the Executive Secretary, in consultation with the Bureaux, to continue to monitor the availability of voluntary contributions to the special voluntary Trust Fund (BZ) with a view to allowing members of those Bureaux to bring any shortfalls in contributions to the attention of member Parties, and potential donors, as appropriate, in their regions;

39. *Recalls* the request of the Subsidiary Body on Implementation at its first meeting<sup>4</sup> to prepare a proposal for the review and update of the current guidelines set out in the Procedure<sup>5</sup> for the Allocation of Funding from the BZ Trust Fund for Facilitating Participation of Parties in the Convention Process, and *urges* the Executive Secretary to prepare a draft recommendation for consideration by the

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> UNEP/CBD/SBI/REC/1/13, paragraph 6 (a).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> UNEP/CBD/COP/9/34.

Subsidiary Body on Implementation at its second meeting for a possible decision at the next meetings of the Parties to the Convention and its Protocols;

40. *Requests* the Executive Secretary to prepare a report, for submission to the Executive Director of the United Nations Environment Programme in accordance with the United Nations Environment Assembly Resolution 2/18, paragraph 3, and for consideration by the Subsidiary Body on Implementation with a view to a possible decision at the next meetings of Parties to the Convention and its Protocols, on:

(a) The status of contributions to the BZ voluntary Trust Fund over the last four bienniums;

(b) The level of participation of developing country Parties, in particular the least developed countries and small island developing States and Parties with economies in transition, in meetings of the Convention and its Protocols in each of those bienniums and the effects of shortfalls in contributions on the attendance of all eligible Parties and of developing countries, least developed countries, small island developing States and Parties with economies in transition separately;

(c) The possible repercussions on the effective functioning of the meetings of the Parties to the Convention and its Protocols, including the open-ended intersessional meetings;

41. Welcomes the invitation by the United Nations Environment Assembly for the governing bodies of the multilateral environmental agreements administered by the United Nations Environment Programme to share among themselves good practices in respect of their budgetary and human resources management, and *requests* a report from the United Nations Environment Programme, drawing, inter alia, on the report requested in paragraph 40 above as soon as it is completed by the Executive Secretary, to allow for a discussion at the third session of the United Nations Environment Assembly, if so decided by its Bureau, in the presence of the Chairs of the Conference of the Parties to all the multilateral environmental agreements administered by the United Nations Environment Programme, on common problems in finding stable and predictable funding to enable more participants from developing countries, particularly least developed countries and small island developing States and Parties with economies in transition, to attend meetings of the Parties of the different multilateral environmental agreements and their open-ended subsidiary bodies;

42. *Urges* all Parties to the Convention, and *invites* States not Party to the Convention and States not Party to the Protocols, as well as governmental, intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations and others, including the private sector, to contribute to the Voluntary Trust Funds of the Convention and its Protocols;

43. *Requests* the Executive Secretary to prepare and submit an updated integrated programme of work for the Convention and its Protocols for the period 2019-2022 setting out, inter alia, functional objectives, expected results and resources required with a view to allowing results-based management;

44. *Also requests* the Executive Secretary to prepare and submit an integrated budget for the Convention and the Protocols for the integrated programme of work described in paragraph 43 above, for the biennium 2019-2020 for the consideration of the Parties to the Convention and its Protocols at their next meetings, with three alternatives:

(a) Making an assessment of the required rate of growth for the programme budget (BY, BG and BB Trust Funds) which should not exceed a 4 per cent increase from the 2017-2018 level in nominal terms;

(b) Maintaining the programme budget (BY, BG and BB Trust Funds) at the 2017-2018 level in real terms;

(c) Maintaining the programme budget (BY, BG and BB Trust Funds) at the 2017-2018 level in nominal terms;

45. *Further requests* the Executive Secretary to report to the Parties to the Convention and its Protocols at their next meetings on income and budget performance, unspent balances and the status of surplus and carry-overs as well as any adjustments made to the budget for the biennium 2017-2018;

46. *Requests* the Executive Secretary, in consultation with the Executive Director of the United Nations Environment Programme, to prepare a report for consideration by the Conference of the Parties to the Convention and the Parties to its Protocols at their next meetings on the implications for them of United Nations Environment Assembly Resolution 2/18;

47. *Also requests* the Executive Secretary to provide information on efficiencies, savings and challenges resulting from the further integration of the work of the Secretariat of the Convention and its Protocols.

	Expenditures	2017 (US\$	2018 (US\$	TOTAL (US\$
	-	thousands)	thousands)	thousands)
I.	Programmes			
	Office of the Executive Secretary	2,114.2	2,215.1	4,329.3
	Scientific and Policy Support	5,156.9	5,252.6	10,409.5
	Mainstreaming, Cooperation and Outreach Support	2,057.1	2,098.8	4,155.9
	Implementation Support	2,838.2	3,322.7	6,160.9
II.	Administration, Finance and Conference Services	3,974.1	3,742.9	7,716.9
	Sub-total (I)	16,140.5	16,632.1	32,772.5
	Programme support charge (13%)	2,098.3	2,162.2	4,260.4
	<b>GRAND TOTAL (I + II)</b>	18,238.8	18,794.2	37,033.0
III.	Working capital reserve	122.8		122.8
	<b>GRAND TOTAL (II + III)</b>	18,361.6	18,794.2	37,155.8
	Convention share of integrated budget (76%)	13,954.8	14,283.6	28,238.4
	Replenishment of working capital from reserve (76%)	(93.4)		(93.4)
	Less contribution from the host country (76%)	(931.7)	(935.8)	(1,867.5)
	Set aside delegated to Executive Director of UNEP (76%)	(114.0)	(186.2)	(300.2)
	Less use of reserves from previous years (76%)	(453.6)	(455.4)	(909.0)
	NET TOTAL (amount to be shared by Parties)	12,362.1	12,706.2	25,068.3

# Table 1a. Integrated biennium budget for the Trust Funds of the Convention on Biological<br/>Diversity and its Protocols 2017-2018

# Table 1b. Integrated biennium budget for the Trust Funds of the Convention on Biological Diversity and its Protocols 2017-2018 (by object of expenditure)

	Expenditures	2017 (US\$	2018 (US\$	TOTAL (US\$
A.	Staff costs	<i>thousands)</i> 11,329.4	<i>thousands)</i> 11,586.0	<i>thousands)</i> 22,915.4
A. B.		11,329.4	215.0	365.0
	Bureau meetings			
C.	Travel on official business	450.0	400.0	850.0
D.	Consultants/subcontracts	75.0	75.0	150.0
E.	Meetings <sup>1/2/3/</sup>	1,416.8	2,016.8	3,433.6
F.	Public awareness materials	50.0	50.0	100.0
G.	Temporary assistance/Overtime	100.0	100.0	200.0
H.	Rent and associated costs	1,239.7	1,257.6	2,497.3
I.	General operating expenses	979.6	726.6	1,706.2
J.	Training	5.0	5.0	10.0
K.	Expert Meetings	280.0	135.0	415.0
L.	Translation of BCH/CHM NP CH websites	65.0	65.0	130.0
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1/ Priority meetings to be funded from the core budget:

-Tenth meeting of the Ad Hoc Working Group on Article 8(j) and Related Provisions.

-Twenty-first and twenty-second meetings of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific Technical and Technological Advice.

-Second meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Implementation.

-Fourteenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention/ Ninth meeting of the Parties to the Cartagena Protocol/Third meeting of the Parties to the Nagoya Protocol held concurrently.

2/ SBSTTA-21 (3 days), Art. 8(j)-10 (3 days) back-to-back in 2017. SBSTTA-22 (6 days), SBI-2 (5 days) back-to-back in 2018

3/ Budget for COP-14/COP-MOP 9 and COP-MOP 3 divided equally between both years of the biennium.

### Table 2.Secretariat staffing requirements from the core budgets of the Convention and its<br/>Protocols, 2017-2018

		2017	2018
А.	Professional category		
	ASG	1	1
	D-1	4	4
	P-5	8	8
	P-4	13	13
	P-3	13	13
	P-2	10	10
В.	Total Professional category	49	49
	Total General Service category	29	29
Total	(A+B)	78	78

### Table 3. Resource requirements from the Special Voluntary Trust Fund (BE) for Additional<br/>Voluntary Contributions in Support of Approved Activities for the period 2017-2020

#### A. Convention on Biological Diversity

(Thousands of United States dollars)

#### **1. EXPERT MEETINGS** Office of the Executive Secretary Monitoring, Review and Reporting Unit 30.0 Biodiversity and health Scientific assessment of progress towards selected Aichi Biodiversity Targets 50.0 Scientific and Policy Support Division **Conservation and Sustainable Use Unit** 100.0Forest biodiversity 60.0 Technical expert meeting on Aichi Target 11 200.0 Marine and coastal biodiversity 215.0 Climate change and biodiversity & dry and sub-humid lands **Biosafety and Biosecurity Unit** 100.0 AHTEG on Synthetic Biology Invasive alien species 240.0 Access and Benefit Sharing and Traditional Knowledge Unit 60.0 Digital Sequence Information on Genetic Resources Mainstreaming, Cooperation and Outreach Support Division **Cooperation and Partnerships Unit** 460.0 Enhancing synergies among biodiversity-related conventions **Communications and Awareness Unit** 70.0 Informal Advisory Committee for CEPA **Implementation Support Division Clearing House Mechanisms Unit** Informal Advisory Committee for the CHM 40.0**Capacity Development Unit** 100.0 Incentive measures (Aichi Target 3) Technical and scientific cooperation 65.0 2. CAPACITY-BUILDING WORKSHOPS Office of the Executive Secretary Monitoring, Review and Reporting Unit 450.0 Sixth national reports preparation Scientific and Policy Support Division **Conservation and Sustainable Use Unit** 300.0 Marine and coastal biodiversity 600.0 Climate change and biodiversity & dry and sub-humid lands

Implementation Support Division	
Capacity Development Unit	
Capacity Development Short-term Action Plan*	5,573.0
3. OTHER WORKSHOPS	
Office of the Executive Secretary	
Legal Advice and Support Unit	
COP regional preparatory meetings	100.0
Monitoring, Review and Reporting Unit	
Biodiversity and human health	380.2
Implementation of the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity	425.0
Scientific and Policy Support Division	
Conservation and Sustainable Use Unit	
Forests biodiversity	120.0
Ecosystem restoration	80.0
Marine and coastal biodiversity	100.0
Mainstreaming, Cooperation and Outreach Support Division	
Economic Policy and Resource Mobilization Unit	
Biodiversity and sustainable development	300.0
Financial mechanism	300.0
Implementation Support Division	
Capacity Development Unit	
Partnerships with education and training institutions	100.0
4. STAFF	
Mainstreaming, Cooperation and Outreach Support Division	
Economic Policy and Resource Mobilization Unit	
Business engagement (P-3)	342.5
Communications and Awareness Unit	
Communications Officer	342.5
5. CONSULTANTS	
Office of the Executive Secretary	
Monitoring, Review and Reporting Unit	
National reports	130.0
Implementation of the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020	30.0
IPBES and the Subsidiary Body on Implementation	20.0
Biodiversity and human health	138.0
Scientific assessment of progress towards selected Aichi biodiversity targets	15.0
Implications of the IPBES assessment on pollinators, pollination and food	00.0
production	90.0
Scientific and Policy Support Division	

Scientific and Policy Support Division

Conservation and Sustainable Use Unit

Forest biodiversity	40.0
Sustainable wildlife management	10.0
Ecosystem restoration	10.0
Progress towards the achievement of Aichi Biodiversity Targets 11 and 12	75.0
Marine and coastal biodiversity	130.0
Climate change and biodiversity & dry and sub-humid lands	40.0
Biosafety and Biosecurity Unit	
Invasive alien species	140.0
Access and Benefit Sharing and Traditional Knowledge Unit	
Digital sequence information on genetic resources	30.0
Mainstreaming, Cooperation and Outreach Support Division	
Cooperation and Partnerships Unit	
Gender	50.0
Sub-national and local implementation	30.0
Biodiversity and tourism development	20.0
Enhancing synergies among biodiversity-related conventions	28.0
Economic Policy and Resource Mobilization Unit	
Biodiversity and Sustainable Development	30.0
Resource mobilization	180.0
Financial mechanism	110.0
Communications and Awareness Unit	
CEPA and the United Nations decade on biodiversity	20.0
Implementation Support Division	
Clearing-House Mechanisms Unit	
Clearing-House Mechanism	250.0
Capacity Development Unit	• • • • •
Capacity Development Short-term Action Plan*	2,800.0
6. STAFF TRAVEL	
Office of the Executive Secretary	
Monitoring, Review and Reporting Unit	<b>50</b> 0
National reports	60.0
Global Biodiversity Outlook	40.0
Implementation of the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020	65.0
Indicators for the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020	30.0
Biodiversity and human health	55.0
Scientific assessment of progress towards selected Aichi biodiversity targets	10.0
Implementation of Strategic Plan for Biodiversity	75.0
Scientific and Policy Support Division	
Conservation and Sustainable Use Unit	15.0
Forests Biodiversity	45.0
Climate change and biodiversity & dry and sub-humid lands	100.0

#### Mainstreaming, Cooperation and Outreach Support Division Cooperation and Partnerships Unit

Cooperation and Partnerships Unit	
Gender	30.0
Enhancing synergies among biodiversity-related conventions	18.0
Sub-national and local implementation	10.0
Biodiversity and tourism development	15.0
Economic Policy and Resource Mobilization Unit	
Resource mobilization	20.0
Biodiversity and Sustainable Development	15.0
Communications and Awareness Unit	
CEPA and the United Nations decade on biodiversity	50.0
Implementation Support Division	
Capacity Development Unit	
SBI and mechanisms to support review of implementation	155.0
Business and biodiversity	3.0
Gender mainstreaming	15.0
7. REPORT PREPARATION/PRINTING	
Office of the Executive Secretary	
Monitoring, Review and Reporting Unit	
Biodiversity and human health	67.0
Mainstreaming, Cooperation and Outreach Support Division	
Economic Policy and Resource Mobilization Unit	
Biodiversity and sustainable development	3.0
Communications and Awareness Unit	
CEPA and the United Nations Decade on Biodiversity	20.0
Implementation Support Division	
Capacity Development Unit	
SBI and mechanisms to support review of implementation	2.5
Business and biodiversity	5.0
8. PUBLICATIONS	
Office of the Executive Secretary	
Monitoring, Review and Reporting Unit	
Biodiversity and human health	30.0
Scientific and Policy Support Division	
Access and Benefit Sharing and Traditional Knowledge Unit	
Article 8(j) and related provisions	10.0
Conservation and Sustainable Use Unit	
Forest biodiversity	13.0
Climate change and biodiversity & dry and sub-humid lands	70.0
Biosafety and Biosecurity Unit	

Invasive alien species	60.0
Mainstreaming, Cooperation and Outreach Support Division	
Cooperation and Partnerships Unit	
Sub-national and local implementation	15.0
Biodiversity and tourism development	15.0
Communications and Awareness Unit	
CEPA and the United Nations decade on biodiversity	40.0
Implementation Support Division	
Capacity Development Unit	
Biodiversity and tourism development	50.0
Clearing-House Mechanism	50.0
Gender mainstreaming	10.0

Sub-total I (Convention on Biological Diversity)	16,990.7
II. Programme support costs (13%)	2,208.7
TOTAL COST (I + II) (Convention on Biological Diversity)	19,198.7

\* See UNEP/CBD/COP/13/3 for details.

Finland pledged funds for developing country Parties for capacity-building in biodiversity and health.

Norway pledged funds for developing country Parties for an ad hoc technical expert meeting on Aichi Target 11 in 2017.

#### B. Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety

(Thousands of United States dollars)

1.	<b>EXPERT</b>	<b>MEETINGS</b>
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Scientific and Policy Support Division	
AHTEG on Risk Assessment and Risk Management	70.0
AHTEG on Socio-economic Considerations	80.0
2. CAPACITY-BUILDING WORKSHOPS	
Scientific and Policy Support Division	
Biosafety and Biosecurity Unit	
Sampling, detection and identification of LMOs	300.0
Mainstreaming biosafety into NBSAP and development plans	360.0
Implementation of the Cartagena Protocol and the Convention at the national level	350.0
Risk assessment of LMOs	300.0
Implementation the LMO identification	420.0
Workshops on public awareness, education, and public participation concerning LMOs	300.0
Training courses on public participation and public access to information	200.0
Supplementary Protocol on Liability and Redress	300.0
3. CONSULTANTS	

Scientific and Policy Support Division Biosafety and Biosecurity Unit

Unintentional transboundary movements of LMOs	10.0
Mainstreaming biosafety into NBSAPs and national development plans	65.0
Risk assessment of LMOs	80.0
Sampling, detection and identification of LMOs	80.0
Public awareness concerning LMOs	50.0
Cooperation with other relevant organizations	10.0
4. STAFF TRAVEL	
Scientific and Policy Support Division	
Biosafety and Biosecurity Unit	
Mainstreaming biosafety into NBSAPs and national development plans	30.0
Cooperation with other relevant organizations	15.0

Sub-total I (Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety)	3,020.0
II. Programme support costs (13%)	392.6
TOTAL COST (I + II) (Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety)	3,412.6

### C. Nagoya Protocol on Access and Benefit-sharing

(Thousands of United States dollars)

### 1. CAPACITY-BUILDING WORKSHOPS

Scientific and Policy Support Division	
Access and Benefit-sharing and Traditional Knowledge Unit	
ABS Clearing House	20.0
Legal frameworks to implement the Nagoya Protocol	840.0
Implementing the Nagoya Protocol	150.0
Train communicators and disseminate the ABS awareness-raising toolkit	28.0
2. CONSULTANTS	
Scientific and Policy Support Division	
Access and Benefit-sharing and Traditional Knowledge Unit	
Online Global Network on Biodiversity Law	40.0
Establishing legal frameworks to implement the Nagoya Protocol Analysis of information for first assessment and review process of the Nagoya	100.0
Protocol	20.0
Study on criteria for a specialized international ABS instrument	20.0
3. STAFF TRAVEL	
Scientific and Policy Support Division	
Access and Benefit-Sharing and Traditional Knowledge Unit	
ABS Clearing House	60.0
4. PUBLICATIONS	
Scientific and Policy Support Division	
Access and Benefit-Sharing and Traditional Knowledge Unit	
ABS Clearing House	20.0

Train communicators and disseminate the ABS awareness-raising toolkit	2.0
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Sub-total I (Nagoya Protocol on Access and Benefit-sharing)	1,300.0
II. Programme support costs (13%)	169.0
TOTAL COST (I + II) (Nagoya Protocol on Access and Benefit-sharing)	1,469.0

Description of meetings	2017-2020
	(US\$)
	(thousands)
I. Meetings	
COP-14, Cartagena Protocol COP-MOP 9 and Nagoya Protocol COP-MOP 3	2,000.0
COP-15, Cartagena Protocol COP-MOP 10 and Nagoya Protocol COP-MOP 4	2,000.0
Regional Meetings in Preparation for the concurrent meetings of the	400.0
Conferences of the Parties	
Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice	4,800.0
(SBSTTA 21, SBSTTA 22, SBSTTA 23 and SBSTTA 24)	
Open-ended Ad Hoc Working Group Meeting on Article 8(j) and Related	600.0
Provisions (Art. 8(j), 10 and 11)	
Subsidiary Body on Implementation (SBI 2 and 3)	600.0
Subtotal	10,400.0
II. Programme support costs	1,352.0
Total cost (I + II)	11,752.0

# Table 4. Resource requirements from the Special Voluntary Trust Fund (BZ) for facilitating the participation of Parties in the Convention process for the period 2017-2020

*Note*: The European Union pledged US\$ 395,000 for participation costs for participants from developing countries.

## Table 5. Voluntary Trust Fund (VB) for Facilitating Participation of Indigenous Peoples and<br/>Local Communities in the Convention Process for 2017 -2020

Description	2017-2020
	(US\$)
	(thousands)
I. Meetings	
Support to indigenous peoples and local communities	1,000.0
Subtotal	1,000.0
II. Programme support costs	130.0
TOTAL COST (I + II)	1,130.0

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### Table 6.Contributions to the Trust Fund for the Convention on Biological Diversity for the biennium 2017-2018

Party	UN scale of assessments 2017 (per cent)	Scale with 22% ceiling, no LDC paying more than 0.01 % (per cent)	Contributions per 1 Jan. 2017 US\$	UN scale of assessments 2017 (per cent)	Scale with 22% ceiling, no LDC paying more than 0.01 % (per cent)	Contributions per 1 Jan. 2018 US\$	Total Contributions 2017-2018 US\$
Afghanistan	0.006	0.008	927	0.006	0.008	953	1,880
Albania	0.008	0.010	1,236	0.008	0.010	1,271	2,507
Algeria	0.161	0.201	24,881	0.161	0.201	25,574	50,455
Andorra	0.006	0.008	927	0.006	0.008	953	1,880
Angola	0.010	0.010	1,236	0.010	0.010	1,271	2,507
Antigua and Barbuda	0.002	0.003	309	0.002	0.003	318	627
Argentina	0.892	1.115	137,852	0.892	1.115	141,689	279,541
Armenia	0.006	0.008	927	0.006	0.008	953	1,880
Australia	2.337	2.922	361,166	2.337	2.922	371,218	732,384
Austria	0.720	0.900	111,271	0.720	0.900	114,368	225,638
Azerbaijan	0.060	0.075	9,273	0.060	0.075	9,531	18,803
Bahamas	0.014	0.018	2,164	0.014	0.018	2,224	4,387
Bahrain	0.044	0.055	6,800	0.044	0.055	6,989	13,789
Bangladesh	0.010	0.010	1,236	0.010	0.010	1,271	2,507
Barbados	0.007	0.009	1,082	0.007	0.009	1,112	2,194
Belarus	0.056	0.070	8,654	0.056	0.070	8,895	17,550
Belgium	0.885	1.106	136,770	0.885	1.106	140,577	277,347
Belize	0.001	0.001	155	0.001	0.001	159	313
Benin	0.003	0.004	464	0.003	0.004	477	940
Bhutan	0.001	0.001	155	0.001	0.001	159	313
Bolivia (Plurinational State of)	0.012	0.015	1,855	0.012	0.015	1,906	3,761
Bosnia and Herzegovina	0.013	0.016	2,009	0.013	0.016	2,065	4,074
Botswana	0.014	0.018	2,164	0.014	0.018	2,224	4,387
Brazil	3.823	4.779	590,816	3.823	4.779	607,260	1,198,076
Brunei-Darussalam	0.029	0.036	4,482	0.029	0.036	4,606	9,088
Bulgaria	0.045	0.056	6,954	0.045	0.056	7,148	14,102
Burkina Faso	0.004	0.005	618	0.004	0.005	635	1,254
Burundi	0.001	0.001	155	0.001	0.001	159	313
Cabo Verde	0.001	0.001	155	0.001	0.001	159	313
Cambodia	0.004	0.005	618	0.004	0.005	635	1,254
Cameroon	0.010	0.013	1,545	0.010	0.013	1,588	3,134
Canada	2.921	3.652	451,419	2.921	3.652	463,983	915,402
Central African Republic	0.001	0.001	155	0.001	0.001	159	313
Chad	0.005	0.006	773	0.005	0.006	794	1,567
Chile	0.399	0.499	61,662	0.399	0.499	63,379	125,041
China	7.921	9.902	1,224,131	7.921	9.902	1,258,202	2,482,334
Colombia	0.322	0.403	49,763	0.322	0.403	51,148	100,910
Comoros	0.001	0.001	155	0.001	0.001	159	313
Congo	0.006	0.008	927	0.006	0.008	953	1,880
Cook Islands	0.001	0.001	155	0.001	0.001	159	313
Costa Rica	0.047	0.059	7,263	0.047	0.059	7,466	14,729

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Cote d'Ivoire	0.009	0.011	1,391	0.009	0.011	1,430	2,820
Croatia	0.099	0.124	15,300	0.099	0.124	15,726	31,025
Cuba	0.065	0.081	10,045	0.065	0.081	10,325	20,370
Cyprus	0.043	0.054	6,645	0.043	0.054	6,830	13,476
Czech Republic	0.344	0.430	53,163	0.344	0.430	54,642	107,805
Democratic People's Republic of Korea	0.005	0.006	773	0.005	0.006	794	1,567
Democratic Republic of the Congo	0.008	0.010	1,236	0.008	0.010	1,271	2,507
Denmark	0.584	0.730	90,253	0.584	0.730	92,765	183,018
Djibouti	0.001	0.001	155	0.001	0.001	159	313
Dominica	0.001	0.001	155	0.001	0.001	159	313
Dominican Republic	0.046	0.058	7,109	0.046	0.058	7,307	14,416
Ecuador	0.067	0.084	10,354	0.067	0.084	10,643	20,997
Egypt	0.152	0.190	23,490	0.152	0.190	24,144	47,635
El Salvador	0.014	0.018	2,164	0.014	0.018	2,224	4,387
Equatorial Guinea	0.010	0.010	1,236	0.010	0.010	1,271	2,507
Eritrea	0.001	0.001	155	0.001	0.001	159	313
Estonia	0.038	0.048	5,873	0.038	0.048	6,036	11,909
Ethiopia	0.010	0.010	1,236	0.010	0.010	1,271	2,507
European Union		2.500	309,053	0.000	2.500	317,655	626,708
Fiji	0.003	0.004	464	0.003	0.004	477	940
Finland	0.456	0.570	70,471	0.456	0.570	72,433	142,904
France	4.859	6.074	750,922	4.859	6.074	771,822	1,522,745
Gabon	0.017	0.021	2,627	0.017	0.021	2,700	5,328
Gambia	0.001	0.001	155	0.001	0.001	159	313
Georgia	0.008	0.010	1,236	0.008	0.010	1,271	2,507
Germany	6.389	7.987	987,372	6.389	7.987	1,014,854	2,002,226
Ghana	0.016	0.020	2,473	0.016	0.020	2,542	5,014
Greece	0.471	0.589	72,790	0.471	0.589	74,815	147,605
Grenada	0.001	0.001	155	0.001	0.001	159	313
Guatemala	0.028	0.035	4,327	0.028	0.035	4,448	8,775
Guinea	0.002	0.003	309	0.002	0.003	318	627
Guinea-Bissau	0.001	0.001	155	0.001	0.001	159	313
Guyana	0.002	0.003	309	0.002	0.003	318	627
Haiti	0.003	0.004	464	0.003	0.004	477	940
Honduras	0.008	0.010	1,236	0.008	0.010	1,271	2,507
Hungary	0.161	0.201	24,881	0.161	0.201	25,574	50,455
Iceland	0.023	0.029	3,554	0.023	0.029	3,653	7,208
India	0.737	0.921	113,898	0.737	0.921	117,068	230,966
Indonesia	0.504	0.630	77,889	0.504	0.630	80,057	157,947
Iran (Islamic Republic of)	0.471	0.589	72,790	0.471	0.589	74,815	147.605
Iraq	0.129	0.161	19,936	0.129	0.161	20,491	40,427

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Ireland	0.335	0.419	51,772	0.335	0.419	53,213	104,984
Israel	0.430	0.538	66,453	0.430	0.538	68,303	134,756
Italy	3.748	4.685	579,225	3.748	4.685	595,347	1,174,572
Jamaica	0.009	0.011	1,391	0.009	0.011	1,430	2,820
Japan	9.680	12.101	1,495,972	9.680	12.101	1,537,609	3,033,580
Jordan	0.020	0.025	3,091	0.020	0.025	3,177	6,268
Kazakhstan	0.191	0.239	29,518	0.191	0.239	30,339	59,857
Kenya	0.018	0.023	2,782	0.018	0.023	2,859	5,641
Kiribati	0.001	0.001	155	0.001	0.001	159	313
Kuwait	0.285	0.356	44,045	0.285	0.356	45,271	89,315
Kyrgyzstan	0.002	0.003	309	0.002	0.003	318	627
Lao People's Democratic Republic	0.003	0.004	464	0.003	0.004	477	940
Latvia	0.050	0.063	7,727	0.050	0.063	7,942	15,669
Lebanon	0.046	0.058	7,109	0.046	0.058	7,307	14,416
Lesotho	0.001	0.001	155	0.001	0.001	159	313
Liberia	0.001	0.001	155	0.001	0.001	159	313
Libya	0.125	0.156	19,318	0.125	0.156	19,855	39,173
Liechtenstein	0.007	0.009	1,082	0.007	0.009	1,112	2,194
Lithuania	0.072	0.090	11,127	0.072	0.090	11,437	22,564
Luxembourg	0.064	0.080	9,891	0.064	0.080	10,166	20,057
Madagascar	0.003	0.004	464	0.003	0.004	477	940
Malawi	0.002	0.003	309	0.002	0.003	318	627
Malaysia	0.322	0.403	49,763	0.322	0.403	51,148	100,910
Maldives	0.002	0.003	309	0.002	0.003	318	627
Mali	0.003	0.004	464	0.003	0.004	477	940
Malta	0.016	0.020	2,473	0.016	0.020	2,542	5,014
Marshall Islands	0.001	0.001	155	0.001	0.001	159	313
Mauritania	0.002	0.003	309	0.002	0.003	318	627
Mauritius	0.012	0.015	1,855	0.012	0.015	1,906	3,761
Mexico	1.435	1.794	221,769	1.435	1.794	227,941	449,709
Micronesia (Federated States of )	0.001	0.001	155	0.001	0.001	159	313
Monaco	0.010	0.013	1,545	0.010	0.013	1,588	3,134
Mongolia	0.005	0.006	773	0.005	0.006	794	1,567
Montenegro	0.004	0.005	618	0.004	0.005	635	1,254
Morocco	0.054	0.068	8,345	0.054	0.068	8,578	16,923
Mozambique	0.004	0.005	618	0.004	0.005	635	1,254
Myanmar	0.010	0.010	1,236	0.010	0.010	1,271	2,507
Namibia	0.010	0.013	1,545	0.010	0.013	1,588	3,134
Nauru	0.001	0.001	155	0.001	0.001	159	313
Nepal	0.006	0.008	927	0.006	0.008	953	1,880
Netherlands	1.482	1.853	229,032	1.482	1.853	235,407	464,439
New Zealand	0.268	0.335	41,417	0.268	0.335	42,570	83,988

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Nicaragua	0.004	0.005	618	0.004	0.005	635	1,254
Niger	0.002	0.003	309	0.002	0.003	318	627
Nigeria	0.209	0.261	32,299	0.209	0.261	33,198	65,498
Niue	0.001	0.001	155	0.001	0.001	159	313
Norway	0.849	1.061	131,207	0.849	1.061	134,858	266,065
Oman	0.113	0.141	17,463	0.113	0.141	17,949	35,413
Pakistan	0.093	0.116	14,372	0.093	0.116	14,772	29,145
Palau	0.001	0.001	155	0.001	0.001	159	313
Panama	0.034	0.043	5,254	0.034	0.043	5,401	10,655
Papua New Guinea	0.004	0.005	618	0.004	0.005	635	1,254
Paraguay	0.014	0.018	2,164	0.014	0.018	2,224	4,387
Peru	0.136	0.170	21,018	0.136	0.170	21,603	42,621
Philippines	0.165	0.206	25,500	0.165	0.206	26,209	51,709
Poland	0.841	1.051	129,970	0.841	1.051	133,588	263,558
Portugal	0.392	0.490	60,581	0.392	0.490	62,267	122,847
Qatar	0.269	0.336	41,572	0.269	0.336	42,729	84,301
Republic of Korea	2.039	2.549	315,112	2.039	2.549	323,883	638,995
Republic of Moldova	0.004	0.005	618	0.004	0.005	635	1,254
Romania	0.184	0.230	28,436	0.184	0.230	29,227	57,663
Russian Federation	3.088	3.860	477,227	3.088	3.860	490,510	967,737
Rwanda	0.002	0.003	309	0.002	0.003	318	627
Saint Kitts and Nevis	0.001	0.001	155	0.001	0.001	159	313
Saint Lucia	0.001	0.001	155	0.001	0.001	159	313
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	0.001	0.001	155	0.001	0.001	159	313
Samoa	0.001	0.001	155	0.001	0.001	159	313
San Marino	0.003	0.004	464	0.003	0.004	477	940
Sao Tome and Principe	0.001	0.001	155	0.001	0.001	159	313
Saudi Arabia	1.146	1.433	177,106	1.146	1.433	182,035	359,141
Senegal	0.005	0.006	773	0.005	0.006	794	1,567
Serbia	0.032	0.040	4,945	0.032	0.040	5,083	10,028
Seychelles	0.001	0.001	155	0.001	0.001	159	313
Sierra Leone	0.001	0.001	155	0.001	0.001	159	313
Singapore	0.447	0.559	69,081	0.447	0.559	71,003	140,084
Slovakia	0.160	0.200	24,727	0.160	0.200	25,415	50,142
Slovenia	0.084	0.105	12,982	0.084	0.105	13,343	26,324
Solomon Islands	0.001	0.001	155	0.001	0.001	159	313
Somalia	0.001	0.001	155	0.001	0.001	159	313
South Africa	0.364	0.455	56,253	0.364	0.455	57,819	114,073
South Sudan	0.003	0.004	464	0.003	0.004	477	940
Spain	2.443	3.054	377,547	2.443	3.054	388,056	765,603
Sri Lanka	0.031	0.039	4,791	0.031	0.039	4,924	9,715
State of Palestine	0.007	0.009	1,082	0.007	0.009	1,112	2,194
Sudan	0.010	0.010	1,236	0.010	0.010	1,271	2,507

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Suriname	0.006	0.008	927	0.006	0.008	953	1,880
Swaziland	0.002	0.003	309	0.002	0.003	318	627
Sweden	0.956	1.195	147,743	0.956	1.195	151,855	299,597
Switzerland	1.140	1.425	176,178	1.140	1.425	181,082	357,261
Syrian Arab Republic	0.024	0.030	3,709	0.024	0.030	3,812	7,521
Tajikistan	0.004	0.005	618	0.004	0.005	635	1,254
Thailand	0.291	0.364	44,972	0.291	0.364	46,224	91,195
The Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia	0.007	0.009	1,082	0.007	0.009	1,112	2,194
Timor-Leste	0.003	0.004	464	0.003	0.004	477	940
Togo	0.001	0.001	155	0.001	0.001	159	313
Tonga	0.001	0.001	155	0.001	0.001	159	313
Trinidad and Tobago	0.034	0.043	5,254	0.034	0.043	5,401	10,655
Tunisia	0.028	0.035	4,327	0.028	0.035	4,448	8,775
Turkey	1.018	1.273	157,324	1.018	1.273	161,703	319,027
Turkmenistan	0.026	0.033	4,018	0.026	0.033	4,130	8,148
Tuvalu	0.001	0.001	155	0.001	0.001	159	313
Uganda	0.009	0.010	1,236	0.009	0.010	1,271	2,507
Ukraine	0.103	0.129	15,918	0.103	0.129	16,361	32,279
United Arab Emirates	0.604	0.755	93,344	0.604	0.755	95,942	189,285
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	4.463	5.579	689,723	4.463	5.579	708,920	1,398,644
United Republic of Tanzania	0.010	0.010	1,236	0.010	0.010	1,271	2,507
Uruguay	0.079	0.099	12,209	0.079	0.099	12,549	24,758
Uzbekistan	0.023	0.029	3,554	0.023	0.029	3,653	7,208
Vanuatu	0.001	0.001	155	0.001	0.001	159	313
Venezuela	0.571	0.714	88,244	0.571	0.714	90,700	178,944
Viet Nam	0.058	0.073	8,963	0.058	0.073	9,213	18,176
Yemen	0.010	0.010	1,236	0.010	0.010	1,271	2,507
Zambia	0.007	0.009	1,082	0.007	0.009	1,112	2,194
Zimbabwe	0.004	0.005	618	0.004	0.005	635	1,254
TOTAL	78.009	100.000	12,362,132	78.009	100	12,706,207	25,068,339

#### **B.** Term of office of the Executive Secretary

*Recalling* paragraph 1 of decision IV/17, which refers to consultation with the Conference of the Parties through its Bureau before appointing the Executive Secretary and to the authority of the Conference of the Parties to determine the term of office of the Executive Secretary,

*Recalling also* the Revised Administrative Arrangements signed on 26 October 2010 between the Executive Director of the United Nations Environment Programme and the Executive Secretary of the Convention on Biological Diversity and contained in decision X/45, annex, paragraph 3, which reiterated the authority of the Conference of the Parties to determine the term of office of the Executive Secretary,

*Noting* the letters of the Interpretive Statement that the Executive Director of the United Nations Environment Programme and the Executive Secretary of the Convention exchanged, following the signing of the Revised Administrative Arrangement, in accordance with the guidance from the Bureau of the tenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties, concerning the conditions that apply to the extension of the term of office of the Executive Secretary,

1. *Welcomes* the announcement by the Secretary-General of the United Nations on 30 November 2016 of the appointment of Cristiana Paşca Palmer of Romania as Executive Secretary of the Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity;

2. *Requests* the President of the Conference of the Parties to invite the Secretary-General of the United Nations to appoint the Executive Secretary at the level of Assistant Secretary-General, for a three-year term of office, subject to possible renewal;

3. Agrees that the conditions provided in paragraphs 2 and 3 of the Revised Administrative Arrangements, as contained in decision X/45, annex, should also apply to the extension of the term of office of the Executive Secretary.