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OPEN-ENDED EXPERT WORKSHOP ON CAPACITY-BUILDING FOR ACCESS TO GENETIC RESOURCES AND BENEFIT-SHARING Montreal, 2-4 December 2002

INFORMATION FOR PARTICIPANTS

The Open-ended Expert Workshop on Capacity-building for Access to Genetic Resources and Benefit-sharing will be held from Monday, 2 December to Wednesday, 4 December 2002. The official opening will be at 10 a.m. on 2 December 2002. Registration will take place on Sunday, 1 December 2002 from 12 noon to 6 p.m. Registration will continue from 8 a.m. on Monday, 2 December 2002. **Delegates are kindly requested to pre-register in order to facilitate the registration process.**

Venue:

The meeting will be held on the premises of the **International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO)** located downtown:

International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO)

999 University Street (corner Viger) Montreal,

Province of Quebec, Canada.

Access through metro, line 2 - Orange, station Square-Victoria

Telephone: + 1 (514) 954-8219 Fax: + 1 (514) 954-6402

Access to Montreal:

Montreal is serviced by the Dorval airport (15 km from downtown). Taxis are available at the airport and there is a shuttle-bus service every 30 minutes.

Fares:

Bus / Shuttles:	One way trip	Round trip
Dorval / Downtown	\$ 11.00	\$19.75
Taxis:		
Dorval / Downtown	\$ 28.00 Fixed rate	N.A.

Accommodation in Montreal:

Please find attached an indicative list of hotels (Annex I) located in the vicinity of the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) building and the Secretariat of the CBD or next to a Metro station (the Montreal Metro/*Subway* is safe). Further information on hotels in Montreal is available at the following website address: http://www.tourism-montreal.org

<u>Time Zone</u>:

Montreal is GMT less 5 hours.

Weather:

During the month of December in Montreal, maximum temperatures average + 2°C and minimum temperatures average -10°C.

Please note that the Government of Canada will again provide, on a no cost loan basis, and for the duration of the meeting, winter coats and boots to interested participants attending the Open-ended Expert Workshop on Capacity-building for Access to Genetic Resources and Benefit-sharing.

Voltage:

110 volts, 60 Hertz. Adapters can be purchased for about \$50 Can.

Pre-Registration

A pre-registration form is attached (Annex II). To enable the Secretariat to print the actual number of documents needed and to avoid waste of resources, delegates are kindly invited to specify which of the six official languages of the United Nations is/are preferred. It should be returned duly filled by 22 November 2002.

Visas / Customs

Please find attached (Annex III) a list of countries whose citizens require a visa to visit Canada.

Services to Delegates

There will be a Business Centre for the Delegates. It will provide free of charge Internet access and on a commercial basis photocopying, fax, calling cards, etc.

Documents

The main pre-session documents for the meeting will be dispatched by the first week of November 2002 to the National Focal Points. The documents are also accessible at the Secretariat's web page at www.biodiv.org>. Delegates are kindly reminded to bring their documents, as they will only be available at the meeting facilities in limited quantities for reasons of economy.

Credit Cards

Major credit cards are accepted in most hotels and restaurants in Montreal.

Attached Annex I: List of hotels

Annex II: Pre-registration form

Annex III: List of countries with visa requirements (in accordance with the list provided by the

Government of Canada, on the website of the Canadian Department of Immigration

<www.cic.gc.ca>)

Annex I

Hotel List

Prices given in Canadian currency are indicative and may be subject to changes:

\$1 US = appr. \$1.56 Caradian \$1 Canadian = appr. \$0.64 US

Prices do not include taxes. (GST 7% + QST 7.5% = 15.03%). Tax refund is possible for non-Canadians. Please ask for forms at the registration desk during the meeting.

You must make your own reservations.

Lord Berri Hotel *** (formerly Days Inn Vieux Montreal) 20 minute-walk to ICAO Building

1199, Berri Street

Montreal

Tel.: + 1 (514) 845-9236 Fax: + 1 (514) 849-9855 http://www.lordberri.com/ \$89 single, \$ 99 double

La Tour Centre -Ville ***

15 minute-walk to ICAO Building

400 René-Lévesque Blvd. W.

Montreal

Tel.: + 1 (514) 866-8861 Fax: + 1 (514) 866-7257

Studios \$66.00, Small suite at \$70.00 for single occupancy, Big suite at \$75.00 for double occupancy + \$12.00 per additional person.

Travelodge ***

20 minute-walk to ICAO Building

50, René-Lévesque Blvd. W.

Montreal

Tel.: + 1 (514) 874-9090 Fax: + 1 (514) 874-0907 http://www.travelodge.com/

Rooms at \$79.00, single or double occ., including breakfast

L'Appartement-in-Montréal ***

15 minute-walk to ICAO Building

455, Sherbrooke W.

Montreal

Tel.: + 1 (514) 284-3634 Fax: + 1 (514) 287-1431 http://www.appartementin.com/ Studios \$90.00, single or double occ.

Best Western****

(20 minute - walk from the Centre de Commerce Mondial)

3407 Peel Street (corner of Peel and Sherbrooke Street)

Montreal

Tel: 514-288-4141 Fax: 514-288-3021

http://www.hotelvillemarie.com

Room at Can\$ 91.00. Please mention United Nations/SCBD when making reservations

Delta Centre Ville **** (ex-Radisson)

across the road from ICAO

Building.

777 University

Montreal

Tel.: + 1 (514) 879-1370 Fax: + 1 (514) 879-1761 http://www.deltahotels.com/

First class hotel

Rooms at \$125.00, single or double occ. Please mention United Nations/ICAO account # 91317 when making reservations.

Holiday Inn Select **** (Chinatown, oriental food available) 10 minute-walk to ICAO Building

99 Viger West

Montreal

Tel.: + 1 (514) 878-9888 Fax: +1 (514) 878-6341 http://www.hiselect-yul.com/ \$149 single or double occ.

Hôtel Manoir des Alpes ***

20 minute-walk to ICAO Building

1245, St-André St.

Montreal

Tel.: + 1 (514) 845-9803 Fax: + 1 (514) 845-9886

http://www.hotelmanoirdesalpes.qc.ca/

\$75, single

Hôtel de la Montagne ****

20 minute-walk to ICAO Building and 2 minutes from Metro station

1430, de la Montagne Street

Montréal

Tel.: + 1 (514) 288-5656 + 1(800) 361-6262 toll free in North America

Fax: +1 (514) 288-9658

http://www.hoteldelamontagne.com/

\$165 for single occ.

\$175 for double occ.

Hôtel Courtyard Marriott Montréal**** (formerly La Citadelle) 15 minute-walk to ICAO Building

410, Sherbrooke St. W.

Montreal

Tel.: + 1 (514) 844-8851 Fax: + 1 (514) 844-0912 http://www.courtyard.com/ \$139, single or double occ.

Annex II

OPEN-ENDED EXPERT WORKSHOP ON CAPACITY-BUILDING FOR ACCESS TO GENETIC RESOURCES AND BENEFIT-SHARING MONTREAL, CANADA, 2 – 4 DECEMBER 2002

Pre-Registration Form (Please print)

ð Mr. / ð Mrs. / ð Ms. / ð Amb. / ð Dr. / ð Prof.	ð Female	ð Male
FAMILY NAME:		
FIRST NAME:		
Have you attended CBD meeting(s) before?: ð Yes ð N	Ю	
Representing:		
ð GOVERNMENT :		
Ministry/department/agency :OR		
ð ORGANIZATION :(SHORT NAME / ACCRONYM):		
(Check one) ð UN/ Specialized Agency ð Inter-governm organization ð Indigenous community organization ð Med	ental organization ia ? Industry ð	ð Non-governmental Other
Official Address:		
Telephone: + ()	-	
Fax: + ()	-	
Telex: + ()		
E-MAIL:	-	
URL:		
Signature :	Date:	
Please return duly filled by 22 November 2002 to: Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity World Trade Center 393 Saint-Jacques St., Suite 300 Montreal, Quebec, Canada H2Y 1N9 Fax: +1 (514) 288-6588 E-mail: secretariat@biodiv.org		Preferred language: ? English ? French ? Spanish ? Russian ? Arabic ? Chinese

Annex III

VISA REGULATIONS

Citizens of the following countries require a visa to **visit** or **transit** Canada (in accordance with the list provided by the Government of Canada).

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Afghanistan	East Timor	Kazakhstan
Albania	Ecuador	Kenya
Algeria	Egypt	Korea (Dem. Rep. of)
Angola	El Salvador	Korea (North))
Argentina	Equatorial Guinea	Kuwait
Armenia	Eritrea	Kyrgyzstan
Azerbaijan	Estonia	
	Ethiopia	${f L}$
В		Laos (Lao People's
Bahrain	${f F}$	Democratic Rep.)
Bangladesh	Fiji	Latvia
Belarus		Lebanon
Belize	G	Lesotho
Benin	Gabon	Liberia
Bhutan	Gambia	Libyan Arab Jamahiriya
Bolivia	Georgia	Lithuania
Bosnia-Herzegovina	Ghana	
Brazil	Guatemala	\mathbf{M}
Bulgaria	Guinea	Macau
Burkina-Faso	Guinea-Bissau	Macedonia (former Yugoslav
Burundi	Guyana	Republic of)
	•	Malagasy Republic
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Cambodia	Haiti	Maldives
Cameroon	Honduras	Mali
Cape Verde	1101100100	Marshall Islands
Central African Republic	I	Mauritania
Chad	India	Mauritius
Chile	Indonesia	Micronesia (Federated States)
China (People's Republic)	Iran (Islamic Rep. of)	Moldova
Colombia	Iraq	Mongolia
Comoros	Israel (only Israeli citizens	Morocco
Congo (Democratic Rep. of)	holding valid Israeli orange	Mozambique
Congo (People's Rep. of)	"Travel Document in Lieu	Myanmar (Burma)
Côte d'Ivoire	of National Passport")	
Croatia	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	${f N}$
Cuba	J	Nepal
Czech Republic	Jamaica	Nicaragua
_	Jamaica Jordan	Niger
D	Joidan	Nigeria
Djibouti		
Dominican Danuhlia		

O Oman

Dominican Republic

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Pacific Islands (U.S. Trust

Territory)

Pakistan

Palau (Rep. of)

Panama Paraguay

Palestinian National Authority

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Philippines

Poland

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Qatar

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Romania

Russian Federation

Rwanda

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Sao Tome e Principe

Senegal

Seychelles-The

Sierra Leone

Slovakia

Somalia

South Africa

Sri Lanka

Sudan

Surinam

Syrian Arab Republic

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Tadjikistan

Tanzania (United Rep. of)

Thailand

Togo

Tonga

Trinidad & Tobago

Tunisia

Turkey

Turkmenistan

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Uganda

Ukraine

United Arab Emirates

Uruguay

Uzbekistan

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Venezuela Vietnam

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Yemen Yugoslavia

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Zambia