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CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES TO THE CONVENTION ON BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY SERVING AS THE MEETING OF THE PARTIES TO THE CARTAGENA PROTOCOL ON BIOSAFETY

Second meeting

Montreal, 30 May-3 June 2005

Item 2 of the provisional agenda*

ORGANIZATION OF THE MEETING

Annotations to the provisional agenda

INTRODUCTION

1. In its decision BS-I/13, the Conference of the Parties to the Convention at its first meeting serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety decided that its second meeting serving in that capacity should be held in the second quarter of 2005, at a venue and on a date to be specified by the Executive Secretary in consultation with the Bureau.
2. In accordance with the decision, the second meeting of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Protocol will take place in Montreal, from 30 May to 3 June 2005, on the premises of the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO). It will be held back-to-back with the first meeting of the Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group of Legal and Technical Experts on Liability and Redress under the Protocol, which will be convened at the same venue from 25 to 27 May 2005. Informal consultations among delegations and regional groups will be held on 29 May 2005. Registration for the meeting will commence on Sunday, 29 May 2005, from 12 noon to 6 p.m. and continue on Monday, 30 May 2005 from 8 a.m. However, delegates who are also participating in the first meeting of the Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group of Legal and Technical Experts on Liability and Redress under the Protocol are encouraged to register and collect their name badges on Thursday, 26 May or Friday, 27 May 2005.

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I. ORGANIZATIONAL MATTERS

ITEM 1. OPENING OF THE MEETING

3. The meeting will be opened at 10 a.m. on 30 May 2005 by the President of the seventh meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention, who serves also as the President of the second meeting of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Protocol in accordance with Article 29, paragraph 2, of the Protocol. It is expected that at the opening session, the Conference will hear one or more opening addresses to be made by, among others, the Executive Director of the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) and the Executive Secretary of the Convention on Biological Diversity.

ITEM 2. ORGANIZATION OF THE MEETING

2.1. *Officers*

4. The Bureau of the seventh meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention shall serve as the Bureau of the second meeting of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Protocol. In accordance with Article 29, paragraph 3, of the Protocol, any member of the Bureau of the Conference of the Parties representing a Party to the Convention but, at that time, not a Party to the Protocol, shall be substituted by a member to be elected by and from among the Parties to the Protocol. As the substitutes were already elected at the first meeting of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Protocol, there will be no need for a further election at this meeting.

2.2. *Adoption of the agenda*

5. In decision BS-I/12, the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Protocol adopted a medium-term programme of work for its second to the fifth meetings. In accordance with paragraph 2 of that decision and pursuant to rules 8 and 9 of the rules of procedure for meetings of the Conference of the Parties, the Executive Secretary has prepared a provisional agenda on the basis of issues identified in the medium-term programme of work for consideration at the second meeting (UNEP/CBD/BS/COP-MOP/2/1). The provisional agenda reflects the standing issues and the rolling substantive issues (i.e., other issues and derived activities necessary to implement the Protocol developed in accordance with decisions of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Protocol), as stipulated in the medium-term programme of work.

6. The Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Protocol will be invited to consider and adopt the provisional agenda circulated by the Executive Secretary.

2.3. *Organization of work*

7. The Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Protocol may wish to consider the proposed organization of its work as contained in annex I below, which provides for a plenary and two working groups. The Executive Secretary prepared this proposal in consultation with the Bureau, with a view to assisting the second meeting of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Protocol to consider all the items on its agenda in the timeframe available. The proposal builds on the experience gained with the first meeting, during which a plenary and two working groups were established.

8. Interpretation will be available for two working groups for morning and afternoon sessions. Interpretation will not, however, be available for evening sessions, should these be necessary.

9. The working documents and a preliminary list of information documents for the meeting are listed in annex II below.

ITEM 3. REPORT ON THE CREDENTIALS OF REPRESENTATIVES TO THE SECOND MEETING OF THE CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES SERVING AS THE MEETING OF THE PARTIES TO THE PROTOCOL ON BIOSAFETY

10. In accordance with rules 18 and 19 of the rules of procedure, the credentials of representatives shall be examined by the Bureau who will submit a report thereon to the plenary for decision.

11. In order to assist Parties in fulfilling the requirements of rule 18, the Executive Secretary has prepared a sample format of appropriate credentials, which has been distributed to national focal points as an annex to the letter of invitation to the meeting.

12. The Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Protocol will be invited to consider and adopt the report on credentials submitted to it by the Bureau.

II. STANDING ISSUES

ITEM 4. REPORT OF THE COMPLIANCE COMMITTEE

13. In its decision BS-I/7, the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Protocol adopted procedures and mechanisms on compliance under the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety and established a Compliance Committee. Paragraph 2 of that decision requests the Executive Secretary, in consultation with the Bureau, to arrange for a meeting of the Committee to be held before the second meeting of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Protocol for the purpose of developing its rules of procedure. The decision also stipulates that these rules are to be submitted to the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Protocol for consideration and approval.

14. The first meeting of the Compliance Committee will be held in Montreal from 14 to 16 March 2005, during which the Committee is expected to develop draft rules of procedure. The Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Protocol may wish to consider the report of the Compliance Committee (UNEP/CBD/BS/COP-MOP/2/2), which will be introduced by the Chair of this Committee, and approve the draft rules of procedure annexed thereto.

ITEM 5. OPERATION AND ACTIVITIES OF THE BIOSAFETY CLEARING-HOUSE

15. Article 20, paragraph 1, of the Protocol establishes the Biosafety Clearing-House as part of the clearing-house mechanism under Article 18, paragraph 3, of the Convention, in order to facilitate the exchange of information and experience pertaining to living modified organisms and assist Parties to implement the Protocol. At its first meeting, the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Protocol approved the transition of the pilot phase of the Biosafety Clearing-House to its operational phase, and adopted the modalities of its operation (decision BS-I/3).

16. The Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Protocol also decided to review the implementation of the Biosafety Clearing-House at its second meeting and requested the Executive Secretary to submit a progress report to that meeting, with a view to developing a longer-term programme of work for the Biosafety Clearing-House. Accordingly, under this item, the Executive

Secretary has prepared a note (UNEP/CBD/BS/COP-MOP/2/3) conveying a progress report on the operation and activities of the Biosafety Clearing-House, and summarizing the outcomes of the internal review of the Biosafety Clearing-House for consideration by the second meeting of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Protocol.

17. The meeting will also have before it additional information on the activities of the Biosafety Clearing-House in an information document (UNEP/CBD/BS/COP-MOP/2/INF/1).

18. The Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Protocol will be invited to consider the progress report and the outcomes of the review, and to adopt a decision establishing a longer-term programme of work for the Biosafety Clearing-House.

ITEM 6. STATUS OF CAPACITY BUILDING ACTIVITIES AND THE USE OF THE ROSTER OF BIOSAFETY EXPERTS.

19. In its decision BS-I/5, the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Protocol adopted an Action Plan for Building Capacities for the Effective Implementation of the Protocol and a Coordination Mechanism for its implementation. Section 3, paragraph 4 (e), of the Action Plan calls for enhancement of the effectiveness and adequacy of financial resources provided by multi-lateral, bilateral and other donors to developing countries for implementation of the Protocol.

20. In the same decision, the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Protocol requested the Executive Secretary to report on the progress made and lessons learned in implementing the Coordination Mechanism for consideration at its second meeting. The Executive Secretary was further requested to compile, on the basis of the information submitted by Parties and other Governments, a summary report on the capacity needs and priorities for consideration at regular meetings of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Protocol.

21. Under this item, the second meeting of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Protocol will be invited to consider the summary report of the capacity needs and priorities of Parties and other Governments as well as the progress report on implementation of the Coordination Mechanism, and provide further guidance. The meeting will also be invited to consider possible options and measures for enhancing the effectiveness and adequacy of financial resources to enable developing country Parties and Parties with economies in transition to implement the Protocol.

22. In order to assist the meeting in its consideration of this item, the Executive Secretary has prepared a note (UNEP/CBD/BS/COP-MOP/2/4), which includes a summary report on the capacity needs and priorities of Parties and other Governments, a section on options for enhancing the effectiveness and adequacy of financial assistance for the effective implementation of the Protocol and elements of a draft decision. Information documents containing the reports of the Coordination Meetings on capacity building held during the inter-sessional period will also be available at the meeting.

23. The meeting may also hear reports from organizations providing support for activities in capacity building for biosafety, including, among others, the Global Environment Facility (GEF) and other implementing and/or executing agencies.

Roster of experts on biosafety

24. A regionally balanced roster of experts, nominated by Governments, in fields relevant to risk assessment and risk management related to the Protocol, was established by paragraph 14 of decision EM-I/3 of the Conference of the Parties, in order to provide advice and other support, as appropriate and upon request, to developing country Parties and Parties with economies in transition, to conduct risk assessment, make informed decisions, develop national human resources and promote

institutional strengthening, associated with the transboundary movements of living modified organisms. A pilot phase of a voluntary trust fund was established by decision VI/29 of the Conference of the Parties for the specific purpose of supporting developing country Parties, in particular the least developed and the small island developing States among them, and Parties with economies in transition to pay for the use of experts selected from the roster of experts on biosafety.

25. At its first meeting, the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Protocol adopted Interim Guidelines for the Roster of Experts on biosafety as well as Interim Guidelines for the Pilot Phase of the Voluntary Fund for the Roster of Experts on biosafety and requested the Executive Secretary to administer the roster and the voluntary fund (decision BS-I/4). The decision further requested the Executive Secretary to report to the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Protocol at its second meeting on the status of the use of the roster of experts on biosafety, with a view to monitoring the regional balance in the use of experts.

26. The Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Protocol will be invited to review the report prepared by the Executive Secretary (UNEP/CBD/BS/COP-MOP/2/4/Add.1) and provide, as appropriate, further guidance on the use of the roster of experts.

ITEM 7. MATTERS RELATED TO THE FINANCIAL MECHANISM AND RESOURCES

27. At its first meeting, the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Protocol made a recommendation to the Conference of the Parties on guidance to the financial mechanism, focusing in particular on eligibility criteria for funding and programme priorities. The recommendation was subsequently adopted by the Conference of the Parties at its seventh meeting and integrated in decision VII/20.

28. The second meeting of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Protocol will have a note prepared by the Executive Secretary (UNEP/CBD/BS/COP-MOP/2/5) containing a report on the implementation of the guidance provided to the financial mechanism. The meeting will also hear a report from the Global Environment Facility on the implementation of the guidance provided to it.

29. Under this item, the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Protocol will be invited to take note of the report and to consider the need for additional recommendation to the Conference of the Parties to the Convention regarding further guidance to the financial mechanism.

ITEM 8. COOPERATION WITH OTHER ORGANIZATIONS, CONVENTIONS AND INITIATIVES

30. Under this item, the Executive Secretary will provide an update (UNEP/CBD/BS/COP-MOP/2/6) on cooperative activities between the Secretariat and other organizations, conventions and initiatives relevant for the implementation of the Protocol. The meeting will be invited to take note of the updated information and to incorporate, as appropriate, the ongoing cooperation into its consideration of relevant items of the provisional agenda.

ITEM 9. REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY ON THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE PROTOCOL AND ON BUDGETARY MATTERS

31. In its decision BS-I/10, the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Protocol adopted a programme budget for the distinct costs of the Secretariat services for and the

biosafety work programme of the Cartagena Protocol for the biennium 2005-2006. In paragraph 15 of the decision, the Executive Secretary was requested to report to the second meeting of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Protocol on income and budget performance, and to propose any adjustments that might be needed in the programme budget for the biennium 2005-2006. The Executive Secretary was also requested to review the classification of the Secretariat Professional-level staffing requirements for the Protocol and report thereon to the second meeting of Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Protocol.

32. Accordingly, the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Protocol will be invited to review the note prepared by the Executive Secretary (UNEP/CBD/BS/COP-MOP/2/7) on budgetary matters and on the administration of the Protocol and provide, as appropriate, further guidance and take necessary action.

III. SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES ARISING FROM THE MEDIUM-TERM PROGRAMME OF WORK AND PREVIOUS DECISIONS OF CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES SERVING AS THE MEETING OF THE PARTIES TO THE PROTOCOL

ITEM 10. NOTIFICATION: OPTIONS FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF ARTICLE 8 WITH RESPECT TO REQUIREMENTS, BY A PARTY OF EXPORT, TO ENSURE NOTIFICATION AND THE ACCURACY OF INFORMATION CONTAINED IN NOTIFICATION BY THE EXPORTER

33. Decision BS-I/12, on medium-term programme of work, provides for the item “notification”(Article 8 of the Protocol) to be considered at the second meeting of Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Protocol. It further specifies that the consideration will focus on the options for implementing Article 8 with respect to requirements, by a Party of export, to ensure notification and the accuracy of information contained in the notification by the exporter.

34. To assist the meeting in its consideration of this item, the Executive Secretary has prepared a note (UNEP/CBD/BS/COP-MOP/2/8), which outlines possible options and guidance on the implementation of Article 8. The Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Protocol will be invited to consider the options and adopt a decision on this matter.

ITEM 11. RISK ASSESSMENT AND RISK MANAGEMENT (ARTICLES 15 AND 16)

35. Articles 15 and 16 of the Protocol address risk assessment and risk management. Decision BS-I/12 provides for these items to be considered at the second meeting of Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Protocol, in particular:

- (a) To consider clarification of the issues involved;
- (b) To consider the development of guidance and a framework for a common approach in risk assessment and risk management;
- (c) Cooperation in identifying living modified organisms or specific traits that may have adverse effects on the conservation and sustainable use of biological diversity, taking also into account risks to human health, and taking appropriate measures regarding the treatment of such living modified organisms or specific traits (Article 16, paragraph 5).

36. In preparation for consideration of this item, the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Protocol, at its first meeting, requested the Executive Secretary to collect and collate existing guidance materials regarding risk assessment and risk management of living modified organisms for consideration by the second meeting, and invited Parties, other Governments and relevant international organizations to provide relevant information to the Executive Secretary for inclusion in the report. Submissions received as of 31 December 2004 in response to this invitation will be circulated in an information document (UNEP/CBD/BS/COP-MOP/2/INF/2).

37. The Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Protocol will be invited to consider a on risk assessment and risk management prepared by the Executive Secretary (UNEP/CBD/BS/COP-MOP/2/9), and to consider and provide further guidance on the subject.

ITEM 12. HANDLING, TRANSPORT, PACKAGING AND IDENTIFICATION (ARTICLE 18)

38. In accordance with paragraph 2 (a) of Article 18 of the Protocol, the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Protocol is to take a decision on the detailed requirements of identification of living modified organisms intended for direct use as food, or feed or for processing (LMOs-FFP), including specification of their identity and any unique identification, no later than two years after the date of entry into force of the Protocol.

39. In order to fulfil this requirement, the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Protocol established, at its first meeting, an open-ended technical expert group to examine the issues relevant to the identification requirements under paragraph 2 (a) of Article 18 and assist it in taking a decision on these issues. This expert group will meet in March 2005 and its report will be available at the second meeting of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Protocol under the symbol UNEP/CBD/BS/COP-MOP/2/10.

40. In order to prepare for the meeting of the open-ended technical expert group, and in accordance with the request of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Protocol at its first meeting (decision BS-I/6, annex, section D), a Workshop on Capacity-building and Exchange of Experiences as Related to the Implementation of Paragraph 2 of Article 18 was convened in Bonn, Germany, from 1 to 3 November 2004 with generous support from Germany, Canada and the European Community. The report of the Workshop will be available to the second meeting of Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Protocol as an information document (UNEP/CBD/BS/COP-MOP/2/INF/3).

41. The Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Protocol has also requested the Executive Secretary to prepare a synthesis report of information that may be received from Parties, other Governments and relevant international organizations regarding their experience in the implementation of the documentation requirements of paragraphs 2 (b) and 2 (c) of Article 18, and to submit the report to its second meeting. Accordingly, on the basis of submissions, the Executive Secretary has prepared a synthesis report (UNEP/CBD/BS/COP-MOP/2/10/Add.1) and intends to compile the submissions received as of 31 December 2004 into an information document (UNEP/CBD/BS/COP-MOP/2/INF/4), to assist the meeting in its consideration of this matter.

42. Therefore, under this item, the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Protocol is invited to consider, primarily, the proposals of the open-ended technical expert group on the detailed requirements for the identification of LMOs-FFP and to take a decision in accordance with paragraph 2 (a) of Article 18. The Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Protocol will also be invited to consider the synthesis of information regarding experiences in the implementation of the requirements of paragraphs 2 (b) and 2 (c) of Article 18 and provide further guidance on this matter, as appropriate.

ITEM 13. LIABILITY AND REDRESS (ARTICLE 27)

43. At its first meeting, the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Protocol established an Open-ended Ad Hoc Working Group of Legal and Technical Experts on Liability and Redress in the Context of the Protocol to carry out the process pursuant to Article 27 of the Protocol. It also requested the Executive Secretary to convene a Technical Group of Experts on Liability and Redress to undertake preparatory work for the first meeting of the Open-ended Working Group.

44. The meeting of the Technical Group of Experts was held in Montreal from 18 to 20 October 2004 and made recommendations to the first meeting of the Open-ended Working Group, which will be held from 25 to 27 May 2005 immediately before the second meeting of Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Protocol. The report of the meeting of the Technical Group will be available as an information document (UNEP/CBD/BS/COP-MOP/2/INF/5).

45. The Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Protocol will have before it for its consideration the report of the first meeting of the Open-ended Working Group on Liability and Redress (UNEP/CBD/BS/COP-MOP/2/11), which will be introduced by its Chairperson. The meeting will be invited to take note of the work of the Open-ended Working Group.

ITEM 14. SOCIO-ECONOMIC CONSIDERATIONS (ARTICLE 26, PARAGRAPH 2)

46. Article 26 of the Protocol provides that Parties of import may take into account socio-economic considerations in reaching a decision on import of living modified organisms, consistent with their international obligations. The first paragraph of Article 26 states that such socio-economic considerations are those arising from the impact of living modified organisms on the conservation and sustainable use of biological diversity, especially with regard to the value of biological diversity to indigenous and local communities. Paragraph 2 of the article calls upon Parties to cooperate on research and information exchange relating to these socio-economic impacts.

47. In accordance with its medium-term programme of work, Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Protocol is expected to consider, at its second meeting, issues relating to cooperation on research and information exchange on any socio-economic impacts of living modified organisms, especially on indigenous and local communities, as specified in paragraph 2 of Article 26.

48. In order to assist Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Protocol in its consideration of this item, the Executive Secretary is preparing a background document (UNEP/CBD/BS/COP-MOP/2/12), which reviews, mainly, relevant processes and arrangements where socio-economic impacts of modern biotechnology in general, and living modified organisms in particular, are taken into account, and attempts also to explore opportunities for cooperation among Parties on research and information exchange regarding socio-economic impacts of living modified organisms.

49. The Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Protocol will be invited to consider the proposals contained in the note of the Executive Secretary and take a decision to promote cooperation in respect of the subject matter of paragraph 2 of Article 26 of the Protocol.

ITEM 15. PUBLIC AWARENESS AND PARTICIPATION (ARTICLE 23, PARAGRAPH 1(a))

50. Article 23 of the Protocol requires Parties, on their own and in cooperation with other States and international bodies, to promote and facilitate public awareness and education, including access to information, regarding the safe transfer, handling and use of living modified organisms. It also requires

Parties to consult the public in the decision-making process, to make public the final decision taken and to inform public about the means of access to the Biosafety Clearing-House.

51. Under this item, the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Protocol will be invited to consider options for cooperation between Parties, other States and relevant international bodies on the promotion and facilitation of public awareness, education and participation concerning the safe transfer, handling and use of living modified organisms.

52. To assist the meeting in its consideration of this item, the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Protocol will have before it a note by the Executive Secretary (UNEP/CBD/BS/COP-MOP/2/13) highlighting regional and international collaborative initiatives to promote and facilitate public awareness and education regarding the safe transfer, handling and use of living modified organisms and suggesting measures and options for enhancing cooperation between Parties, other States and relevant international bodies in this regard.

ITEM 16. OTHER SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL ISSUES THAT MAY BE NECESSARY FOR THE EFFECTIVE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PROTOCOL

53. At its first meeting, the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Protocol invited Parties, other Governments, and relevant international organizations to submit their views to the Executive Secretary on what other scientific and technical issues may need to be addressed as a matter of priority in order to formulate common approaches towards these issues and to promote the effective implementation of the Protocol, for inclusion in a synthesis report to be considered by its second meeting (decision BS-I/11, paragraph 4).

54. Submissions received as of 31 December 2004 will be compiled into an information document (UNEP/CBD/BS/COP-MOP/2/INF/5). The Executive Secretary also intends to prepare a synthesis report based on the submissions (UNEP/CBD/BS/COP-MOP/2/14) to assist the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Protocol in its consideration of this item and in providing further guidance, as appropriate.

IV. FINAL MATTERS

ITEM 17. OTHER MATTERS

55. Under this item, the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Protocol may wish to consider other matters raised and accepted for discussion in accordance with the rules of procedure.

ITEM 18. DATE AND VENUE OF THE THIRD MEETING OF THE CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES SERVING AS THE MEETING OF THE PARTIES TO THE PROTOCOL ON BIOSAFETY

56. The third meeting of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Protocol will take place in Brazil in the second quarter of 2006, back-to-back with the eighth ordinary meeting of the Conference of the Parties, following the generous offer made by the Government of Brazil to host both meetings. The exact dates and venue will be specified in due course by the Executive Secretary.

ITEM 19. ADOPTION OF THE REPORT

57. The Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Protocol will be invited to consider and adopt its report, on the basis of the draft report that will be presented by the Rapporteur. In accordance with established practice, the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Protocol will be invited to authorize the Rapporteur to complete the final report after the meeting, with the guidance of the President and assistance of the Secretariat.

ITEM 20. CLOSURE OF THE MEETING

58. It is expected that the second meeting of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Protocol will be closed by the President in the afternoon of Friday, 3 June 2005.

Annex I

PROPOSED ORGANIZATION OF WORK FOR THE SECOND MEETING OF THE CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES SERVING AS THE MEETING OF THE PARTIES TO THE PROTOCOL ON BIOSAFETY

| | <i>Plenary</i> | <i>Working Group I</i> | <i>Working Group II</i> |
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| <p><i>Monday</i> <i>30 May 2005</i> 10 a.m to 11 a.m.</p> <hr style="border-top: 1px dashed black;"/> <p>11 a.m to 1 p.m.</p> | <p><i>Agenda items:</i></p> <p>1. Opening of the meeting.</p> <hr style="border-top: 1px dashed black;"/> <p>2. Organizational matters: 2.1. Election of officers; 2.2. Adoption of the agenda; 2.3. Organization of work.</p> <p>3. Report on the credentials of representatives to the second meeting of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Protocol on Biosafety</p> <p>4. Report of the Compliance Committee</p> <p>7. Matters related to the financial mechanism and resources.</p> <p>8. Cooperation with other organizations, conventions and initiatives.</p> <p>9. Report of the Executive Secretary on the administration of the Protocol and on budgetary matters.</p> <p>13. Report of the first meeting of the Open-ended Ad Hoc Working Group of Legal and Technical Experts on Liability and Redress in the Context of the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety</p> | | |

| | <i>Plenary</i> | <i>Working Group I</i> | <i>Working Group II</i> |
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| 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. | | <p><i>Agenda items:</i></p> <p>5. Operation and activities of the Biosafety Clearing-House</p> <p>11. Risk assessment and risk management (Articles 15 and 16).</p> <p>12. Handling, transport, packaging and identification (Article 18).</p> <p>16. Other scientific and technical issues that may be necessary for the effective implementation of the Protocol.</p> | <p><i>Agenda items:</i></p> <p>7. Status of capacity building activities and the use of the roster of biosafety experts.</p> <p>10. Notification: options for implementation of Article 8 with respect to requirements, by a Party of export, to ensure notification and the accuracy of information contained in notification by the exporter.</p> <p>14. Socio-economic considerations (Article 26, paragraph 2).</p> <p>15. Public awareness and participation (Article 23, paragraph 1(a))</p> |
| <p><i>Tuesday</i> 31 May 2005</p> <p>10 a.m. to 1 p.m.</p> | | Continuation of agenda items 5, 11, 12 and 16 | Continuation of agenda items 7, 10, 14 and 15 |
| 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. | | Continuation of agenda items 5, 11; 12 and 16 | Continuation of agenda items 7, 10, 14 and 15 |
| <p><i>Wednesday</i> 01 June 2005</p> <p>10 a.m. to 11 a.m.</p> | Review of progress of the working groups | | |
| 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. | Continuation of agenda items 3, 4, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 13 | | |
| 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. | | Continuation of agenda items 5, 11, 12 and 16 | Continuation of agenda items 7, 10, 14 and 15 |

| | <i>Plenary</i> | <i>Working Group I</i> | <i>Working Group II</i> |
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| <i>Thursday</i> <i>02 June 2005</i> 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. | | Continuation of agenda items 5, 11, 12 and 16 | Continuation of agenda items 7, 10, 14 and 15 |
| 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. | | Continuation of agenda items 5, 11, 12 and 16 | Continuation of agenda items 7, 10, 14 and 15 |
| <i>Friday</i> <i>03 June 2005</i> 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. <i>and</i> 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. | <i>Agenda items:</i> 17. Other matters. 18. Date and venue for the third meeting of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Protocol. 19. Adoption of the report. 20. Closure of the meeting | | |

Annex II

**PROVISIONAL LIST OF DOCUMENTS FOR THE SECOND MEETING OF THE
CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES TO THE CONVENTION ON BIOLOGICAL
DIVERSITY SERVING AS THE MEETING OF THE PARTIES TO THE
CARTAGENA PROTOCOL ON BIOSAFETY**

A. Working documents

| <i>Symbol</i> | <i>Title</i> |
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| UNEP/CBD/BS/COP-MOP/2/1 | Provisional agenda |
| UNEP/CBD/BS/COP-MOP/2/1/Add.1 | Annotations to the provisional agenda |
| UNEP/CBD/BS/COP-MOP/2/2 | Report of the Compliance Committee |
| UNEP/CBD/BS/COP-MOP/2/3 | Operation and activities of the Biosafety Clearing-House |
| UNEP/CBD/BS/COP-MOP/2/4 | Status of capacity-building activities |
| UNEP/CBD/BS/COP-MOP/2/4/Add.1 | Report on the use of the roster of experts on biosafety |
| UNEP/CBD/BS/COP-MOP/2/5 | Matters related to the financial mechanism and resources |
| UNEP/CBD/BS/COP-MOP/2/6 | Cooperation with other organizations, conventions and initiatives |
| UNEP/CBD/BS/COP-MOP/2/7 | Report of the Executive Secretary on the administration of the Protocol and on budgetary matters |
| UNEP/CBD/BS/COP-MOP/2/8 | Notification: options for the implementation of Article 8 with respect to requirements, by a Party of export, to ensure notification and the accuracy of information contained in notification by the exporter |
| UNEP/CBD/BS/COP-MOP/2/9 | Risk assessment and risk management (Article 15 and 16) |
| UNEP/CBD/BS/COP-MOP/2/10 | Handling, transport, packaging and identification: detailed requirements for identification of living modified organisms intended for direct use as food or feed, or for processing (Article 18, paragraph 2 (a)) |
| UNEP/CBD/BS/COP-MOP/2/10/Add.1 | Handling, transport, packaging and identification: experience with the use of documentation requirements under paragraphs 2 (b) and 2 (c) of Article 18 |
| UNEP/CBD/BS/COP-MOP/2/11 | Liability and redress (Article 27): report of the first meeting of the Open-ended Ad Hoc Working Group of |

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| | Legal and Technical Experts on Liability and Redress in the context of the Biosafety Protocol |
| UNEP/CBD/BS/COP-MOP/2/12 | Socio-economic considerations (Article 26, paragraph 2) |
| UNEP/CBD/BS/COP-MOP/2/13 | Public awareness and participation (Article 23, paragraph 1 (a)) |
| UNEP/CBD/BS/COP-MOP/2/14 | Other scientific and technical issues that may be necessary for the effective implementation of the Protocol |

B. Information documents (preliminary list)

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| UNEP/CBD/BS/COP-MOP/2/INF/1 | Operation and activities of the Biosafety Clearing-House |
| UNEP/CBD/BS/COP-MOP/2/INF/2 | Risk assessment and risk management: compilation of information on existing guidance materials regarding risk assessment and risk management |
| UNEP/CBD/BS/COP-MOP/2/INF/3 | Handling, transport, packaging and identification: report of the Workshop on Capacity-building and Exchange of Experiences as Related to the Implementation of Article 2 of the Protocol |
| UNEP/CBD/BS/COP-MOP/2/INF/4 | Handling, transport, packaging and identification: compilation of information submitted by Parties and other Governments on experience gained with the use of documentation requirements under paragraphs 2 (b) and 2 (c) of Article 18 |
| UNEP/CBD/BS/COP-MOP/2/INF/5 | Report of the meeting of the Technical Group of Experts on Liability and Redress |
| UNEP/CBD/BS/COP-MOP/2/INF/6 | Other scientific and technical issues that may be necessary for the effective implementation of the Protocol: compilation of views submitted by Parties, other Governments and relevant international organizations |
| UNEP/CBD/BS/COP-MOP/2/INF/___ | Capacity-building (possibly 2 or more information documents on capacity-building will be available) |
