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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

Fourth meeting

Bonn, 12-16 May 2008

Item 6 of the provisional agenda*

STATUS OF CAPACITY-BUILDING ACTIVITIES

Compilation of submission on the operational experience in the use of preliminary criteria and indicators for monitoring implementation of the capacity-building Action Plan and proposals for their further development and refinement

Note by the Executive Secretary

1. At its first meeting, the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety (COP-MOP), adopted, in decision BS-1/5, a preliminary set of indicators for monitoring implementation of the Action Plan for Building Capacities for Effective Implementation of the Protocol. In paragraphs 27 and 28 of that decision, Parties, other Governments, and relevant organizations were invited to use the indicators, as appropriate, to monitor their biosafety capacity-building initiatives and submit to the Executive Secretary their experiences in using the indicators. In paragraph 29 of the decision, the Executive Secretary was requested to prepare, for consideration at the fourth meeting, a report on the operational experience in the use of the preliminary indicators and make proposals for their further development and improvement, on the basis of submissions from Parties, other Governments and relevant organizations.
2. In August 2007, the Executive Secretary issued a notification reminding Parties, other Governments, and relevant organizations to submit their experiences in using the preliminary set of indicators by 15 October 2007. By that deadline, the Secretariat had received two responses, from Cambodia and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, but both indicated that they had no experience to share. In November 2007, another reminder was issued but no additional responses were received as at 10 April 2008.
3. Any submissions received between 10 April 2008 and the COP-MOP will be made available.

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