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## MAYORS' MEETING ON THE CONTRIBUTION OF CITIES TO THE ACHIEVEMENT OF THE 2010 BIODIVERSITY TARGET

March 26-28, 2007, Curitiba, Brazil

### INFORMATION NOTE FOR PARTICIPANTS

#### 1. Opening and registration

The Mayors' meeting on the Contribution of the Cities to the Achievement of the 2010 Biodiversity Target will be held in Curitiba, from Monday, 26 March 2007 to Wednesday, 28 March 2007.

The opening of the meeting will be at 9:30 a.m. on Monday, 26 March, and registration will take place at the venue of the meeting at 9 a.m. the same day.

#### 2. Venue

The meeting will be held at:

**Salão de Atos – Barigüi Park Complex**

Alameda Ecológica Burle Marx, s/n

Parque Barigüi

Telephone: + 55 41 3335 4874

E-mail: [biodiv@pmc.curitiba.pr.gov.br](mailto:biodiv@pmc.curitiba.pr.gov.br)

#### 3. Working languages of the meeting

The meeting will be held in English, Spanish and Portuguese.

#### 4. Documents

Participants are kindly reminded to bring their own copies of the pre-session documents, as there will be no extra copies made available on site during the meeting.

#### 5. General information on access to Curitiba

Curitiba is serviced by Afonso Pena International Airport (15 km from downtown). Transportation to all participants will be provided by the City of Curitiba upon arrival and departure. A help desk, located at the main Arrival hall, will be set up on 25 March 2007.

Please follow the signs. Participants wishing to avail themselves of this transportation facility are kindly requested to send duly completed a copy of the **Annex B** attached hereto by email: [biodiv@pmc.curitiba.pr.gov.br](mailto:biodiv@pmc.curitiba.pr.gov.br) or by fax: +55 41 3350 8135.

## **6. Visa/customs**

Attached in the **annex A** hereto are lists of countries whose nationals **do not** require a visa to enter Brazil. Participants requiring an entry visa must approach the nearest Brazilian Diplomatic/Consular Mission in order to secure the required visa prior to departure. It should be noted that Brazilian legislation does not allow the delivery of visas on arrival at the Airport.

Participants requiring an entry visa to Brazil should attach, as appropriate, to their visa application forms the following:

- An official invitation letter from the Municipality of Curitiba or the CBD Secretariat;
- An international Health Certificate in respect of yellow fever, where applicable;
- One passport size photograph – except for Diplomatic visas;
- Valid passport (with expiry date no less than six months).

To facilitate the issuance of the visas, the CBD Secretariat, will issue, upon request, an invitation letter to be attached to the visa application form referred to above.

A list of the Brazilian consular and diplomatic missions abroad can be retrieved from the following web site: <http://www.mre.gov.br/ingles/ministerio/missions/index.asp>.

## **7. Health Requirements**

Brazil is listed by the World Health Organization as both a country endemic for yellow fever and a country requesting yellow fever vaccination for travelers coming from endemic countries. And in accordance with regulations laid down by the Ministry of Health, individuals who traveled from or through the countries listed below and which have been declared yellow fever infected areas must provide an International Health Certificate (IHC) indicating that they have received the proper vaccination.

It should be noted that yellow vaccination should be given at least ten (10) days prior to departure to Brazil.

As indicated under heading 6 above, the IHC must be submitted together with the visa application form. Participants should also present the said certificate to the Immigration Officer upon arrival at the port of entry in Brazil.

The yellow fever vaccination certification is required for nationals residing or traveling through the countries listed below:

<b>A</b> Angola	<b>E</b> Ecuador Equatorial Guinea Ethiopia	<b>K</b> Kenya	<b>R</b> Rwanda
<b>B</b> Benin Bolivia Burkina Faso Burundi	<b>F</b> French Guyana	<b>L</b> Liberia	<b>S</b> Sao Tome & Principe Senegal Sierra Leone Somalia Sudan Suriname
<b>C</b> Cameroon Central African Republic Chad Colombia Congo Cote d'Ivoire	<b>G</b> Gabon Gambia Ghana Guinea Guinea-Bissau Guyana	<b>M</b> Mali Mauritania	<b>T</b> Tanzania Togo Trinidad and Tobago
<b>D</b> Democratic Republic of Congo		<b>N</b> Niger Nigeria	
		<b>P</b> Panama Peru	

## 8. Hotel information

It should be noted that a block booking on behalf of all participants in the meeting has been made at both Rayon Hotel and Bourbon Hotel whose full coordinates are as follows:

Grand Hotel Rayon  
Visconde de Nacar, 1424  
Centro . Curitiba . PR  
Telephone: +55 (41) 2108.1100  
Email: [reservas@rayon.com.br](mailto:reservas@rayon.com.br) [reservas@rayon.com.br](mailto:reservas@rayon.com.br)  
Web site: <http://www.rayon.com.br/website/contato.htm>

Bourbon Hotel Curitiba  
Candido Lopes, 102  
Centro, Curitiba, PR  
Telephone: +55 (41) 3221 4600

Participants are kindly reminded that they have to make their own hotel reservations as early as possible, at Rayon Hotel through Mr. Jaime Masalla, manager ([jaime@rayon.com.br](mailto:jaime@rayon.com.br), phone +55 41 2108 1100), and at Bourbon Hotel through Mr. Silvio Rossi, manager ([silvio.rossia@bourbon.com.br](mailto:silvio.rossia@bourbon.com.br), phone +55 41 3221 4603).

## **9. Official language in Brazil**

The official language in Brazil is Portuguese. However, English and Spanish are widely spoken and understood in hotels and restaurants.

## **10. Weather and time zone information**

In March, daytime temperatures in Curitiba range between a maximum of 30°C and a minimum of 18°C. Rain usually occurs in that period. The time zone is three hours behind GMT (GMT - 03:00). Further information on the weather is available at: <http://www.weather.com>

## **11. Electricity (Voltage)**

110 volts, 60 Hertz. (Two-pin, flat and vertical, connection).

## **12. Currency**

The Brazilian currency is the Brazilian Real (BRL). The current exchange rate is approximately 1BRL = US\$ 0,44 and US\$ 1 = BRL 2,28.

## **Disclaimer**

The City of Curitiba and the CBD Secretariat disclaim all responsibility for medical, accident and travel insurance, for death or disability compensation, for loss of or damage to personal property and for any other loss that may be incurred during travel time or the period of participation. In this context, it is strongly recommended to secure international medical insurance for the period of participation prior to departure.

## ANNEX A

### VISA AND ENTRY REQUIREMENTS FOR BRAZIL (according to information provided by the host country)

1. Diplomatic, official or ordinary passport holders from the countries below **do not** require an entry visa for Brazil.

#### **A**

Argentina  
Austria

#### **B**

Barbados  
Belgium  
Bolivia

#### **C**

Chile  
Colombia  
Costa Rica  
Czech Republic

#### **D**

Denmark

#### **E**

Ecuador

#### **F**

Finland  
France

#### **G**

Germany

#### **I**

Iceland  
Ireland  
Israel  
Italy

#### **L**

Luxembourg

#### **M**

Malaysia  
Malta  
Morocco  
Mexico

#### **N**

Namibia  
Netherlands  
Norway

#### **P**

Panama  
Paraguay  
Peru  
The Philippines  
Poland  
Portugal

#### **S**

San Marino  
Slovakia  
Slovenia  
Spain  
South Africa  
South Korea  
Suriname  
Sweden  
Switzerland

#### **T**

Thailand

#### **V**

Vaticano  
Venezuela

Greece  
Trinidad and Tobago  
Tunisia  
Turkey  
**H**  
Hungary  
**U**  
United Kingdom  
Uruguai

**2. Diplomatic and official passport holders from the countries below do not require an entry visa for Brazil.**

**A**  
Albania  
Angola  
Armenia  
**B**  
Benin  
Bulgaria  
**C**  
Cape Verde  
Cameroon  
China  
Cote d'Ivoire  
Croatia  
**D**  
Dominican Republic  
**E**  
Egypt  
El Salvador  
**G**  
Gabon  
Guatemala  
Guyana  
Guinea-Bissau  
**H**  
Honduras  
**I**  
India  
**M**  
Mozambique  
**R**  
Romania  
Russia  
**S**  
Sao Tome e Principe  
Senegal  
**U**  
Ukraine

**3. Diplomatic passport holders from the countries below do not require an entry visa for Brazil.**

Cuba

Vietnam

**4. Citizens from the countries listed below do not require a tourist visa to enter Brazil.**

Andorra

Bahamas

Liechtenstein

Monaco

New Zealand

**ANNEX B**  
**ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE DETAILS**  
**Mayors' Meeting on the Contribution of Cities to the Achievement of the 2010**  
**Biodiversity Target (Curitiba, March 26-28, 2007)**

<b>Name/Nome/Nombre:</b>	
<b>City/Cidade/Ciudad:</b>	
<b>Country/País/País:</b>	
<b>Title/Título/Cargo:</b>	

**ARRIVAL IN BRAZIL/ CHEGADA AO BRASIL / LLEGADA A BRASIL**

<b>Airport/Aeroporto/Aeropuerto:</b>	
<b>Flight/Vôo/Vuelo:</b>	
<b>Date/Data/ Fecha:</b>	
<b>Time/Hora/Hora:</b>	

**ARRIVAL IN CURITIBA/ CHEGADA A CURITIBA / LLEGADA A CURITIBA**

<b>Airport/Aeroporto/Aeropuerto:</b>	
<b>Flight/Vôo/Vuelo:</b>	
<b>Date/Data/ Fecha:</b>	
<b>Time/Hora/Hora:</b>	

**DEPARTURE FROM CURITIBA/ PARTIDA DE CURITIBA / PARTIDA DE CURITIBA**

<b>Airport/Aeroporto/Aeropuerto:</b>	
<b>Flight/Vôo/Vuelo:</b>	
<b>Date/Data/ Fecha:</b>	
<b>Time/Hora/Hora:</b>	

**DEPARTURE FROM BRAZIL/ PARTIDA DO BRASIL / PARTIDA DE BRASIL**

<b>Airport/Aeroporto/Aeropuerto:</b>	
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**PLEASE, SEND TO / POR FAVOR, ENVIAR PARA / POR FAVOR, ENVIAR A:**

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