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DATES AND VENUE OF THE FIFTH MEETING OF THE SUBSIDIARY BODY ON SCIENTIFIC, TECHNICAL AND TECHNOLOGICAL ADVICE

## Note by the Executive Secretary

- 1. Rule 3 of the rules of procedure for meetings of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity primes that "the meetings of the Conference of the Parties shall take place at the seat of the Secretariat, unless the Conference of the Parties decides otherwise or other appropriate arrangements are made by the Secretariat in consultation with the Parties." Rule 4, paragraph 2, states that "at each ordinary meeting, the Conference of the Parties shall decide on the date and duration of the next ordinary meeting". According to rule 26, paragraph 5, the rules of procedure for meetings of the Conference offe Parties shall apply mutatis mutandis to the proceedings of the subsidiary bodies established under the Convention, unless otherwise decided by the Conference of the Parties (Document UNEP/CBD/COP/1/17).
- 2. In accordance with the rules of proceduæ, the fifth meeting of SBSTTA will therefore take place in Montreal, Canada. It is proposed that the fifth meeting of SBSTTA be held from 31 January to 4 February 2000.

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