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30 May 2000

Dear Madam/Sir,

Re: Signing of the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety

Pursuant to Article 36 of the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety, I am pleased to inform you that this Protocol was opened for signature from 15 to 26 May 2000, during the Fifth Meeting of the Conference of the Parties (COP5) in Nairobi, Kenya.

At the closing of COP5 on 26 May 2000, the following 68 Parties to the CBD had signed the Protocol:

Algeria, Antigua and Barbuda, Argentina, Austria, Bahamas, Bangladesh, Belgium, Benin, Bolivia, Bulgaria, Burkina Faso, Central African Republic, Chad, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Czech Republic, Denmark, Ecuador, Salvador, Ethiopia, European Community, Finland, France, Gambia, Germany, Greece, Grenada, Guinea, Haiti, Honduras, Hungary, Indonesia, Ireland, Italy, Kenya, Lithuania, Malaysia, Malawi, Mexico, Monaco, Morocco, Mozambique, Namibia, Netherlands, New Zealand, Nicaragua, Niger, Nigeria, Norway, Peru, Philippines, Poland, Portugal, Rwanda, Samoa, Slovak Republic, Slovenia, Spain, Sri Lanka, Sweden, Switzerland, Togo, Turkey, Uganda, United Kingdom, Venezuela.

Kindly note that in accordance with the provisions of Article 36, the Protocol will remain open for signature at the United Nations Headquarters in New York from 5 June 2000 to 4 June 2001.

Yours sincerely,

Hamdallah Zedar
Executive Secretary

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