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8 December 2001

NOTIFICATION

Dear Madam/Sir,

Re: Financing for the Implementation of Article 8(j) and Related Provisions of the Convention on Biological Diversity on 4 February 2002

The purpose of this notification is to invite funding institutions and development agencies for the second meeting of the Ad hoc Open-ended Inter-sessional Working Group on Article 8(j) and Related Provisions of the Convention on Biological Diversity to be held in Montreal, Canada from 4 to 8 February 2002, and a lunchtime workshop on financing for the implementation of Article 8(j) and Related Provisions to be held on the margin of the meeting at the same venue on 4 February 2002.

The lunchtime workshop on financing for the implementation of Article 8(j) and Related Provisions intends to provide an opportunity for funding institutions and development agencies to share information and experience on development assistance related to indigenous and local communities and to discuss funding issues concerning the implementation of Article 8(j) and Related Provisions of the Convention. Submissions, presentations and outcomes for the workshop will be posted on the website of the Convention: <http://www.biodiv.org/>.

The outcome of the lunchtime workshop is expected to be fed into the discussions of the second meeting of the Ad hoc Open-ended Inter-sessional Working Group on Article 8(j) and Related Provisions of the Convention.

Funding institutions and development agencies are invited to contact Mr. Arthur Nogueira, Chief of the Implementation and Outreach Division (e-mail: arthur.nogueira@biodiv.org) regarding their participation and interests in making presentations as soon as possible, but no later than 25 January 2002.

Accept, Madam/Sir, the assurances of my highest consideration.

Hamdallah Zedan
Executive Secretary

To: Funding Institutions and Development Agencies

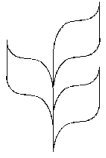


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Enclosure: information for participants; pre-registration form for the second meeting of the Ad hoc Open-ended Inter-sessional Working Group on Article 8(j) and Related Provisions of the Convention

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