

## Secretariat

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## **NOTIFICATION**

Credentials for the Sixth Meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity The Hague, The Netherlands 7-19 April 2002

Reference is made to the letter of invitation dated 15 October 2001 for the sixth meeting of the Conference of the Parties (COP-6) to the Convention on Biological Diversity that is scheduled to take place in The Hague, the Netherlands, from 7-19 April 2002.

As indicated in the above-mentioned letter, and in accordance with rule 18 of the rules of procedure for meetings of the Conference of the Parties, I wish to kindly remind you that governments are requested to submit to the Secretariat the credentials of their representative(s) to the meeting which are to be signed by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs, except in the case of regional economic integration organizations, where it should be signed by the competent authority of that organization. For your convenience, please find attached herewith a sample format of appropriate credentials.

In the event that credentials are not provided to the CBD Secretariat in good time before the meeting, delegates may submit them to the Executive Secretary in The Hague not later than twenty-four hours after the opening of the meeting.

Please accept, Madam/Sir, the assurances of my highest consideration.

Yours sincerely,

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To: All National Focal Points to the CBD



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## SAMPLE FORMAT FOR CREDENTIALS

## **CREDENTIALS**

**I**, the undersigned [*Head of State*, *Head of Government, Minister for Foreign Affairs*], hereby make known that the following delegation has been duly appointed, authorized and empowered to represent [*country*] at the sixth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity to be held in The Hague, the Netherlands from the seventh to the nineteenth of April in the year two thousand and two.

Representative/Head of delegation [Name of Head of Delegation]
Alternate Head of Delegation [Name of Alternate Head of Delegation]
Advisor(s) [Name(s) of advisor(s)]

Done in [city] on this [day] of [month] in the [year]