



SCBD/I&O/NR/MC/34320

1 April 2003

NOTIFICATION

Subject: Deadline extension for submission of thematic report on protected areas

Dear Madam/Sir,

In accordance with [decision VI/25](#), and related notifications 2002-046 and 2003-008, Parties were requested to submit their thematic report on protected areas by 30 March 2003. In view of the limited number of reports that have been received by the Secretariat so far, and the requests by some Parties for additional time to complete their report, I wish to advise that I have decided to extend this deadline to **31 May 2003**.

Recalling that this theme will be considered in depth by the seventh meeting of the Conference of the Parties in 2004, I trust that your Government is in a position to submit its report to the Secretariat by this revised deadline. This will enable the Secretariat to draw meaningful conclusions from the analysis of the reports and make this information available to Parties prior to the meeting.

Guidelines for preparation of all thematic reports are available on the Convention's website at <http://www.bio-div.org/world/nr-guidelines.asp?t=thm>.

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

Yours sincerely,

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Hamdallah Zedan
Executive Secretary

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