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ACHIEVING THE 2010 TARGET!

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NOTIFICATION

Subject: African Regional Preparatory Meeting for the eighth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity

Dear Madam/Sir:

In consultation with the African members of the Bureau of COP-7, I am pleased to forward to you the draft provisional agenda for the African Regional Preparatory Meeting for COP-8 to be held from 18 to 19 March 2006 in Curitiba, Brazil.

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

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Executive Secretary

To: CBD Focal Points – African Regional Group



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**EIGHTH MEETING OF THE CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES TO THE
CONVENTION ON BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY**

REGIONAL PREPARATORY MEETING FOR AFRICA

**Expo Trade Convention and Exhibition Centre
Curitiba, Brazil
18 and 19 March 2006**

DRAFT AGENDA

1. Opening of the meeting;
2. Adoption of the agenda;
3. Identification of lead countries during the COP-8 deliberations;
4. Report on the preparatory meetings held within the SADC region and overview of draft positions from SADC;
5. Issues for in-depth consideration at COP-8 and development of positions;
6. Strategic Issues for Evaluating Progress or Supporting Implementation, Including progress toward the 2010 Biodiversity Target;
7. Composition of the Bureau of COP-8: Nomination of two representatives for election to the COP Bureau;
8. Coordination and meetings of the Africa Group during COP-8;
9. Other matters;
10. Closure of the meeting.