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NOTIFICATION

Subject: Decision VIII/4 on Access and Benefit-sharing: Measures, including consideration of their feasibility, practicality and costs, to support compliance with prior informed consent of the Contracting Party providing genetic resources and mutually agreed terms on which access was granted in Contracting Parties with users of such resources under their jurisdiction

Dear Madam/Sir,

In decision VIII/4D, paragraph 3, the Conference of the Parties requested “the Working Group on Access and Benefit-sharing at its fifth and sixth meetings to further consider measures to ensure compliance with prior informed consent in cases where there is utilization of genetic resources or associated traditional knowledge, in accordance with Article 15 of the Convention and national legislation, and with the mutually agreed terms on which access was granted.”

Parties are invited to submit to the Secretariat, **by 31 December 2006**, information regarding measures taken to support compliance with prior informed consent and mutually agreed terms on which access was granted, where there is utilization of genetic resources or associated traditional knowledge. This information will be compiled by the Secretariat and made available to the fifth meeting of the Working Group on Access and Benefit-sharing.

Please note that in order to facilitate preparatory work all submissions should be provided in Word format.

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

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Executive Secretary

To: CBD National Focal Points and ABS National Focal Points



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