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## NOTIFICATION

### **Voluntary Trust Fund - List of selected participants to receive funding for participation in the Fifth meeting of the *Ad Hoc* Open-ended Working Group on Access and Benefit-sharing (WGABS-5), 8-12 October 2007 and the Fifth meeting of the *Ad Hoc* Open-ended Working Group on Article 8(j) and Related Provisions (WG8J-5), 15-19 October 2007 - Montreal, Canada**

Dear Madam/Sir,

As you may know, in Section D-I of Decision VIII/5, the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity adopted the criteria for the operation of the Voluntary Funding Mechanism to facilitate the participation of indigenous and local communities in the work of the Convention.

After due consideration of nominations received in response to my Notification dated 18 June 2007 (Ref. SCBD/SEL/VN/GD/58785), and in accordance with the selection criteria established in the Annex of the referred Decision, I am pleased to inform Parties that the selection of representatives of indigenous and local communities to receive full funding in order to participate in the above-mentioned meetings has been completed. The list of funded participants is attached for your information. Funded participants will be contacted directly by the Secretariat with regard to travel arrangements.

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

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Executive Secretary

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## ANNEX

### List of Beneficiaries of the Voluntary Fund for the meetings of the WGABS-5 and WG8J-5

#### **Africa**

- Ms. Lucy Mulenkei, Indigenous Information Network (IIN), Kenya
- Mr. Joseph Ogieriakhi, West Africa Coalition for Indigenous Peoples' Rights (WACIPR), Nigeria
- Mr. Joseph Mukumba Isumbisho, Centre d'accompagnement des autochtones pygmées et minoritaires vulnérables (CAMV), D.R.Congo
- Mr. Charles Masabo, Unissons-nous pour la Promotion Des Batwa – UNIPROBA, Burundi

#### **Asia**

- Ms. Jannie Lasimbang, Asia Indigenous Peoples Pact Foundation – AIPP, Malaysia
- Ms. Joji Carino, Tebtebba Foundation, Philippines
- Mr. Ngwang Sonam Sherpa, Nepal Indigenous Nationalities Preservation Association, Nepal
- Mr. Putta Raju Jenu Kuruba, Badakattu Krishikara Sangha, India

#### **Central and South American and the Caribbean**

- Ms. Viviana Elsa Figueroa, Juventud Indígena Argentina, Argentina
- Ms. Maria Eugenia Choque Quispe, Centro de Estudios Multidisciplinarios Aymara, Bolivia
- Ms. Lucia Fernanda Inacio Belfort, Instituto Indígena Brasileiro para la Propiedad Intelectual (INBRAPI), Brazil
- Ms. Edith Bastida Calderón, Centro de Cooperación al Indígena- CECOIN, Colombia
- Ms. Hortencia Cecilia Hidalgo Cáceres, Consejo Autónomo Aymara, Chile
- Ms. Ana Francisca Pérez Conguache, Centro de Acción Legal-Ambiental y Social de Guatemala (CALAS), Guatemala
- Mr. Atencio López Martinez, Comunidad Dad Nakue Dupir, Panama
- Mr. Arlen Ribeira Calderon, Federación de Comunidades Nativas Fronterizas del Putumayo (FECONAFROPU), Peru.

#### **Central and Eastern Europe and the Caucasus**

- Ms. Erjen C. Khamaganova, Baikal Buryat Centre for Indigenous Cultures (Buryat), Russian Federation
- Mr. Mikhail Todyshev, Russian Association of Indigenous Peoples of the North (RAIPON), Russia

#### **North America**

- Mr. Merle Alexander, Den Kayeh Institute, Canada
- Mr. Roberto Borrero, United Conference of the Taino People – UCTP (Taino), USA

#### **Pacific**

- Ms. Neva Collins, New South Wales Aboriginal Land Council, Australia
- Mr. Murray (Sandy) Gauntlett, PIPEC/Global Forest Coalition, New Zealand