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## NOTIFICATION

### **Voluntary Trust Fund - List of selected participants to receive funding for participation in the Sixth meeting of the *Ad Hoc* Open-ended Working Group on Access and Benefit-sharing 21-25 January 2008- Geneva, Switzerland**

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.

In connection with the Sixth meeting of the *Ad Hoc* Open-ended Working Group on Access and Benefit-sharing, after due consideration of all nominations received 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 financial assistance in support of their participation in the above-mentioned meeting has been completed. The list of beneficiaries of financial assistance is attached for your information. The selected 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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## ANNEX

### List of Beneficiaries of the Voluntary Fund for the Sixth meeting of the *Ad Hoc* Open-ended Working Group on Access and Benefit-sharing (WGABS-6)

21 - 25 January 2008, Geneva, Switzerland

#### Africa

- Mr. Gladman Chibememe, Chibememe Earth Healing Association – CHIEHA, Zimbabwe
- Mr. Masabo Charles, Unisson-nous pour la Promotion Des Batwa – UNIPROBA, Burundi

#### Asia

- Ms. Joji Carino, Tebtebba Foundation, Philippines
- Ms. Lourdes Amos, Asia Indigenous Peoples Pact Foundation – AIPP, Philippines
- Ms. Herminia Minnie Degawan, Indigenous Peoples Network for Change, Thailand
- Ms. Lakshan Bibi, Kalash Indigenous Survival Programme/Indigenous People Program (KISP), Pakistan
- Mr. Debabrata Roy, Laifungbam, CORE (Centre for Organisation Research & Education), India
- Mr. Ngwang Sonam, Sherpa, Nepal Indigenous Nationalities Preservation Association, Nepal

#### Latin America (including Central and South America & the Caribbean)

- Ms. Viviana Elsa Figueroa, Juventud Indígena Argentina, Argentina
- Ms. Maria Eugenia Choque Quispe, Centro de Estudios Multidisciplinarios Aymara, Bolivia
- Ms. Lucía Fernanda Inacio Belfort, Instituto Indígena Brasileño para la Propiedad Intelectual (INBRAPI), Brazil
- Ms. Edna Maria Costa e Silva, Cooperativa Ecológica Das Mulheres Extrativistas Do Marajó (CEMEN), Brazil
- Ms. Esther Camac Ramírez, Asociación Ixácavaä de Desarrollo e Información Indígena (ASIDII), Costa Rica
- Ms. Hortencia Cecilia Hidalgo Cáceres, Consejo Autónomo Aymara, Chile
- Ms. Maria Yolanda Terán Maigua, Organización Indígena Andes Chinchasuyo, Ecuador
- Mr. Florina Lopez Miro, Red de Mujeres Indígenas y Biodiversidad, Panama
- Ms. Liselote Naniki Reyes Ocasio, United Confederation of Taino People- UCTP, Puerto Rico.

#### Europe and Arctic

- Mr. Mattias Ahren, Saami Council, Sweden

#### Eastern, Central Europe and the Caucasus

- Ms. Erjen C. Khamaganova, Baikal Buryat Centre for Indigenous Cultures (Buryat), Russia
- Ms. Olga Timofeeva -Tereshkina, Association of Indigenous People of Anabar, Russia

#### North America

- Mr. Merle Alexander, Den Kayeh Institute, Canada
- Mr. Jacob Pratt, Emerging Indigenous Leaders Institute (EILI), USA
- Ms. Le'a Malia, Kanehe, Indigenous Peoples Council on Biocolonialism – IPCB, USA

#### Pacific

- Ms. Neva Collins, New South Wales Aboriginal Land Council, Australia
- Ms. Hona Hiraina Ngatima, Tamakaimoana ki Te Whaiti nui a Toikairakau, New Zealand