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11 November 2009

NOTIFICATION

Biennium Accounts – BE, BY, BZ, VB, BV, BG, BH, BI Trust Funds

Dear Madam/Sir,

Attached please find the audited financial statements related to the following Trust Funds for the biennium 2008-2009, which ended 31 December 2008:

1. General Trust Fund for the Convention on Biological Diversity (BY);
2. General Trust Fund for Additional Voluntary Contributions in support of approved activities under the Convention on Biological Diversity (BE);
3. General Trust Fund for Voluntary Contributions to Facilitate the Participation of Parties in the Process of the Convention on Biological Diversity (BZ);
4. General Trust Fund for Voluntary Contributions to Facilitate the Participation of Indigenous and Local Communities in the work of the Convention on Biological Diversity (VB);
5. General Trust Fund for the Core Programme Budget for the Biosafety Protocol (BG);
6. Special Voluntary Trust Fund for the Additional Voluntary Contributions in support of approved activities under the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety (BH);
7. Special Voluntary Trust Fund for Facilitating Participation of Developing Country Parties in the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety (BI); and
8. Trust Fund for the Establishment of the Interim Secretariat of the Biological Diversity Convention (BV).

In keeping with COP Decision IX/34 paragraph 3 which, *Requests the Executive Secretary, based on information from the Trustee, to advise Parties as soon as possible after the date of closure of the accounts of the trust funds under the Convention for the biennium 2007-2008, of the amount used from the working capital reserve to cover shortfalls in the 2007-2008 budget of the Convention*".

I hereby advise that the amount used from the reserve to cover shortfalls was **US\$697,691**.

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

Ahmed Djoghlaif
Executive Secretary

To: CBD National Focal Points

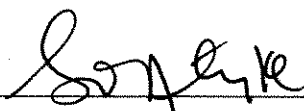
General Trust Fund for the Convention on Biological Diversity

I. Statement of income and expenditure and changes in reserves and fund balances for the twelve months period of the biennium 2008-2009 ended 31 December 2008

Income	USD
Voluntary contributions	9,392,316
Interest income	11,228
Miscellaneous income	264
Total Income	9,403,808
Expenditure	
Staff and other personnel costs	8,527,813
Contractual services	56,887
Travel	269,533
Operating expenses	801,873
Acquisitions	892,671
Programme support costs	1,322,249
Total Expenditure	11,871,026
Excess/(shortfall) of income over expenditure	(2,467,218)
Net excess/(shortfall) of income over expenditure	(2,467,218)
Transfers to reserves	697,691
Reserves and fund balances, beginning of period	1,769,526
Reserves and fund balances, end of period	(1)
Operating reserves/Endowment Fund, beginning of period	1,117,372
Operating reserves/Endowment Fund, end of period	419,681

II. Statement of assets, liabilities, reserves and fund balances as at 31 December 2008

Assets	
Cash and term deposits	445,265
Cash pool - US dollar	228,919
Voluntary contributions receivable	634,691
Other	2,252,823
Other Assets	32,541
Total assets	3,594,239
Liabilities	
Payments or contributions received in advance	2,048,767
Unliquidated obligations	509,523
Interfund balances	17,862
Other accounts payable	598,407
Total liabilities	3,174,559
Net assets/(liabilities)	419,680
Reserves and fund balances	
Operating Reserve	419,681
Cumulative surplus	(1)
Total reserves and fund balances	419,680
Total liabilities, reserve and fund balance	3,594,239



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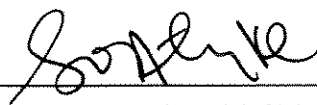
**General Trust Fund for Additional Voluntary Contributions in Support of Approved
Activities under the Convention on Biological Diversity**

**I. Statement of income and expenditure and changes in reserves and fund balances for the twelve
months period of the biennium 2008-2009 ended 31 December 2008**

Income	USD
Voluntary contributions	6,294,678
Interest income	134,389
Miscellaneous income	41,064
Total Income	6,470,131
Expenditure	
Staff and other personnel costs	888,118
Contractual services	278,605
Travel	852,494
Operating expenses	939,286
Acquisitions	753
Programme support costs	383,243
Total Expenditure	3,342,499
Excess/(shortfall) of income over expenditure	3,127,632
Net excess/(shortfall) of income over expenditure	3,127,632
Reserves and fund balances, beginning of period	3,824,006
Reserves and fund balances, end of period	6,951,638

II. Statement of assets, liabilities, reserves and fund balances as at 31 December 2008

Assets	
Cash pool - Euro	4,380,771
Cash pool - US dollar	780,395
Inter-fund balances	2,035,139
Other	49,784
Total assets	7,246,089
Liabilities	
Unliquidated obligations	279,682
Other accounts payable	14,769
Total liabilities	294,451
Net assets/(liabilities)	6,951,638
Reserves and fund balances	
Cumulative surplus	6,951,638
Total reserves and fund balances	6,951,638
Total liabilities, reserve and fund balance	7,246,089



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General Trust Fund for Voluntary Contributions to Facilitate the Participation of Parties in the Process of the Convention on Biological Diversity

I. Statement of income and expenditure and changes in reserves and fund balances for the twelve months period of the biennium 2008-2009 ended 31 December 2008

	USD
Income	
Voluntary contributions	1,781,543
Interest income	18,595
Total Income	1,800,138
Expenditure	
Operating expenses	1,571,454
Programme support costs	192,519
Total Expenditure	1,763,973
Excess/(shortfall) of income over expenditure	36,165
Net excess/(shortfall) of income over expenditure	36,165
Reserves and fund balances, beginning of period	1,425,687
Reserves and fund balances, end of period	1,461,852

II. Statement of assets, liabilities, reserves and fund balances as at 31 December 2008

Assets	
Cash pool - Euro	719,746
Cash pool - US dollar	34,357
Inter-fund balances	605,458
Other	102,800
Total assets	1,462,361
Liabilities	
Unliquidated obligations	509
Total liabilities	509
Net assets/(liabilities)	1,461,852
Reserves and fund balances	
Cumulative surplus	1,461,852
Total reserves and fund balances	1,461,852
Total liabilities, reserve and fund balance	1,462,361



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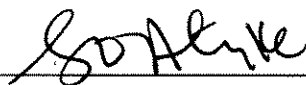
GTF for Voluntary contributions to facilitate the participation of indigenous and local communities in the work of the convention of Biological Diversity

I. Statement of income and expenditure and changes in reserves and fund balances for the twelve months period of the biennium 2008-2009 ended 31 December 2008

Income	USD
Voluntary contributions	505,870
Interest income	6,115
Miscellaneous income	781
Total Income	512,766
Expenditure	
Operating expenses	266,884
Programme support costs	34,695
Total Expenditure	301,579
Excess/(shortfall) of income over expenditure	211,187
Net excess/(shortfall) of income over expenditure	211,187
Reserves and fund balances, beginning of period	201,524
Reserves and fund balances, end of period	412,711

II. Statement of assets, liabilities, reserves and fund balances as at 31 December 2008

Assets	
Cash pool - Euro	217,717
Cash pool - US dollar	20,974
Inter-fund balances	175,671
Total assets	414,362
Liabilities	
Unliquidated obligations	1,651
Total liabilities	1,651
Net assets/(liabilities)	412,711
Reserves and fund balances	
Cumulative surplus	412,711
Total reserves and fund balances	412,711
Total liabilities, reserve and fund balance	414,362



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General Trust Fund for the Core Programme Budget for the Biosafety Protocol

I. Statement of income and expenditure and changes in reserves and fund balances for the twelve months period of the biennium 2008-2009 ended 31 December 2008

Income	USD
Voluntary contributions	1,890,525
Interest income	80,013
Miscellaneous income	3,559
Total Income	1,974,097
Expenditure	
Staff and other personnel costs	1,407,352
Contractual services	42,667
Travel	51,163
Operating expenses	140,470
Acquisitions	156,439
Programme support costs	233,752
Total Expenditure	2,031,843
Excess/(shortfall) of income over expenditure	(57,746)
Net excess/(shortfall) of income over expenditure	(57,746)
Reserves and fund balances, beginning of period	2,225,216
Reserves and fund balances, end of period	2,167,470
Operating reserves/Endowment Fund, beginning of period	234,100
Operating reserves/Endowment Fund, end of period	234,100

II. Statement of assets, liabilities, reserves and fund balances as at 31 December 2008

Assets	
Cash pool - US dollar	3,047,845
Voluntary contributions receivable	180,781
Inter-fund balances	51,200
Other	8,378
Other Assets	5,485
Total assets	3,293,689
Liabilities	
Payments or contributions received in advance	831,118
Unliquidated obligations	61,001
Total liabilities	892,119
Net assets/(liabilities)	2,401,570
Reserves and fund balances	
Operating Reserve	234,100
Cumulative surplus	2,167,470
Total reserves and fund balances	2,401,570
Total liabilities, reserve and fund balance	3,293,689



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**Special Voluntary Trust Fund for the Additional Voluntary Contributions in Support
of Approved Activities**

**I. Statement of income and expenditure and changes in reserves and fund balances for the twelve
months period of the biennium 2008-2009 ended 31 December 2008**

Income	USD
Voluntary contributions	714,922
Interest income	4,669
Miscellaneous income	3,595
Total Income	723,186
Expenditure	
Staff and other personnel costs	534,323
Contractual services	4,112
Travel	170,921
Operating expenses	66,379
Programme support costs	100,845
Total Expenditure	876,580
Excess/(shortfall) of income over expenditure	(153,394)
Net excess/(shortfall) of income over expenditure	(153,394)
Reserves and fund balances, beginning of period	300,788
Reserves and fund balances, end of period	147,394

II. Statement of assets, liabilities, reserves and fund balances as at 31 December 2008

Assets	
Cash pool - Euro	14,033
Cash pool - US dollar	145,527
Other	3,132
Total assets	162,692
Liabilities	
Unliquidated obligations	10,745
Interfund balances	1,791
Other accounts payable	2,762
Total liabilities	15,298
Net assets/(liabilities)	147,394
Reserves and fund balances	
Cumulative surplus	147,394
Total reserves and fund balances	147,394
Total liabilities, reserve and fund balance	162,692



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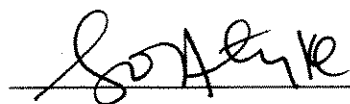
Special Voluntary Trust Fund for Facilitating Participation of Developing Country Parties and Small Island Developing States and Economies in Transition

I. Statement of income and expenditure and changes in reserves and fund balances for the twelve months period of the biennium 2008-2009 ended 31 December 2008

	USD
Income	
Voluntary contributions	283,749
Interest income	3,735
Miscellaneous income	504
Total Income	287,988
Expenditure	
Operating expenses	319,855
Programme support costs	41,581
Total Expenditure	361,436
Excess/(shortfall) of income over expenditure	(73,448)
Prior period adjustments	(17,864)
Net excess/(shortfall) of income over expenditure	(91,312)
Reserves and fund balances, beginning of period	280,129
Reserves and fund balances, end of period	188,817

II. Statement of assets, liabilities, reserves and fund balances as at 31 December 2008

Assets	
Cash pool - Euro	139,034
Cash pool - US dollar	11,450
Voluntary contributions receivable	1,618
Inter-fund balances	36,868
Other	(153)
Total assets	188,817
Liabilities	
Total liabilities	-
Net assets/(liabilities)	188,817
Reserves and fund balances	
Cumulative surplus	188,817
Total reserves and fund balances	188,817
Total liabilities, reserve and fund balance	188,817



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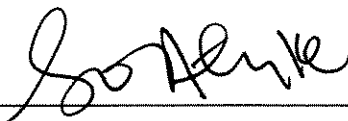
**Trust Fund for the Establishment of the Interim Secretariat of the Biological
Diversity Convention**

**I. Statement of income and expenditure and changes in reserves and fund balances for the twelve
months period of the biennium 2008-2009 ended 31 December 2008**

Income	USD
Interest income	11,119
Total Income	11,119
Expenditure	
Total Expenditure	-
Excess/(shortfall) of income over expenditure	11,119
Net excess/(shortfall) of income over expenditure	11,119
Reserves and fund balances, beginning of period	418,292
Reserves and fund balances, end of period	429,411

II. Statement of assets, liabilities, reserves and fund balances as at 31 December 2008

Assets	
Cash pool - US dollar	423,537
Inter-fund balances	5,873
Other	1
Total assets	429,411
Liabilities	
Total liabilities	-
Net assets/(liabilities)	429,411
Reserves and fund balances	
Cumulative surplus	429,411
Total reserves and fund balances	429,411
Total liabilities, reserve and fund balance	429,411



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