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NOTIFICATION

Submission of information on capacity-building activities undertaken in support of the Cartagena Protocol implementation

Madam/Sir,

Reference is made to the earlier notification (2008-078) sent on 8 July 2008 and the reminder (2010-015) sent on 22 January 2010 regarding submission of information to the Secretariat in preparation for the fifth meeting of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Protocol (COP-MOP).

In its decision BS-IV/3, paragraphs 4, the COP-MOP invited Parties, other Governments and relevant organizations to provide information on their capacity-building activities to the Secretariat and the Biosafety Clearing-House at least six months prior to its regular meetings in order to facilitate comprehensive reporting on the implementation of the capacity-building Action Plan and the sharing of experiences in capacity-building activities.

In this regard, I wish to invite Parties, other Governments and relevant organizations that have not yet done so to submit, as soon as possible but **no later than 7 May 2010**, information on their capacity-building activities undertaken in support of the Protocol implementation using the online format for "Capacity Building Activities, Projects, Opportunities and Reports" available in the management centre of the Biosafety Clearing-House at:

<http://bch.cbd.int/managementcentre/edit/capacityBuildingInitiative.shtml>.

As a critical mass of submissions is crucial to ensuring a complete and accurate assessment of the status of implementation of the capacity-building Action Plan, it would be most appreciated if all Parties, other Governments and relevant organizations could submit their information in timely manner.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your cooperation and continued support of the work of the Protocol.

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

Ahmed Djoghlaif
Executive Secretary

To: Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety (CPB) and BCH National Focal Points
CBD National Focal Points (where CPB focal points have not yet been designated)
Relevant Organizations