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**NOTIFICATION**

**Request for submission to report on progress to address gaps and inconsistencies in the international regulatory framework in relation to invasive alien species**

Dear Madam/Sir,

The Conference of the Parties (COP), at its ninth meeting, invited Organizations to expand their coverage and address gaps and inconsistencies in the international regulatory framework with regard to international standards covering invasive alien species, including animals that are not pests of plants under the International Plant Protection Convention nor diseases that are listed by the World Organization for Animal Health, (paragraphs 2-6 of decision IX/4 A).

In paragraph 6 of the same decision the COP encouraged Parties and other Governments to raise these issues formally through their national delegations to the World Organization for Animal Health, the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations and the World Trade Organization.

At its tenth meeting, the COP, in paragraph 12 of decision X/38, urged Parties and other Governments to pursue these issues formally through their national delegations to these organizations.

In paragraph 13 of decision X/38, the COP requested the Executive Secretary to report on progress on these matters, to the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice at a meeting prior to the eleventh meeting of the Conference of the Parties.

Accordingly, the Executive Secretary invites Parties and other Governments to report on their progress regarding paragraph 12 of decision X/38B noted above. Please submit the information to [secretariat@cbd.int](mailto:secretariat@cbd.int) at your earliest convenience but **not later than 25 July 2011**.

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

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