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NOTIFICATION

REMINDER: Online Forum on Strategic Approaches to Capacity-Building and the Comprehensive Review of the Capacity-Building Action Plan

Madam/Sir,

Further to the earlier notification on the above subject, dated 9 February 2012, I wish to remind you that the discussion group on the independent evaluation of the capacity-building Action Plan started on 20 February 2012 and was supposed to end on 2 March 2012. However, in view of the fact that only a few submissions have been posted in the Forum to date, the period for the discussion group has been extended to **9 March 2012**. I therefore wish to urge all Parties, other Governments and relevant organizations to take part in the discussions on the Action Plan at: http://bch.cbd.int/onlineconferences/portal_art22/cbforum2012_discussion.shtml.

I also wish to invite you to complete a short online survey on the capacity-building priorities under the Protocol at: http://bch.cbd.int/onlineconferences/portal_art22/cbforum2012_survey.shtml. The survey should not take you more than 5 minutes to complete.

The information from the survey and the views and suggestions shared through the Online Forum will be very crucial in facilitating the comprehensive review and revision of the capacity-building Action Plan. I therefore look forward to your active participation.

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

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To: National Focal Points for the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety (CPB-NFPs)
CBD National Focal Points where CPB-NFPs have not yet been designated
Relevant Organizations