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NOTIFICATION
Composition of the Advisory Group
for the Fourth Edition of the Global Biodiversity Outlook (GBO-4)

Dear Madam/Sir,

Through notification 2012-068, dated 11 May 2012, Parties and organizations were invited to nominate experts for the advisory group for the fourth edition of the Global Biodiversity Outlook (GBO-4). A total of 50 nominations were received by 25 July 2012.

I am pleased to share with you the list of selected experts for the Advisory Group of the fourth edition of the Global Biodiversity Outlook (see Annex). The selection, made in consultation with the Bureau of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice (SBSTTA), was based on expertise, regional and gender balance, taking into account the *modus operandi* for SBSTTA and relevant guidance in recommendation XVI/2.

The Advisory Group will work primarily through electronic means. However, there will be face to face meetings at key points in the GBO-4 preparation process. The first of these meetings will take place on 6 October 2012 in Hyderabad, India, taking advantage of the eleventh meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity.

Nominated experts who could not be selected for the Advisory Group are invited to participate in the preparation of GBO-4 by providing relevant information and reviewing draft documentation related to the report as it becomes available. Further information on GBO-4 is available at: <http://www.cbd.int/gbo4>.

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

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Executive Secretary

To: CBD Focal Points, SBSTTA Focal Points, Indigenous and local communities and relevant organizations



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Ms. Risa Smith – Canada
Mr. Haigen Xu – China
Ms. Teresita Borges Hernández – Cuba
Mr. Jan Plesnik – Czech Republic
Mr. Moustafa Mokhtar Ali Fouda – Egypt
Ms. Anne Teller – European Commission
Mr. Asghar Mohammadi Fazel – Iran
Mr. Tohru Nakashizuka – Japan
Ms. Roxana Solis Ortiz – Peru
Ms. Yvonne Vizina - Metis Nation Council
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Mr. David Morgan – CITES
Ms. Linda Collette – FAO
Mr. Tim Hirsch – GBIF
Mr. Thomas Lovejoy – GEF-STAP
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