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## NOTIFICATION

### **Assessment and Review of the Effectiveness of the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety (Article 35): Survey to gather information corresponding to indicators in the Strategic Plan**

Dear Madam/Sir,

At its sixth meeting, the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety (COP-MOP), in its decision BS-V1/15, paragraph 3, requested the Executive Secretary to:

*(a) Undertake a dedicated survey to gather information corresponding to indicators in the Strategic Plan that could not be obtained from the second national reports or through other existing mechanisms;*

*(b) Review the information gathered through the survey referred to in subparagraph (a) above and make the results available to the Parties before their seventh meeting.*

This survey is also intended to generate information necessary for augmenting the baseline referred to in paragraph 3 of the same decision, for measuring progress in the implementation of the Protocol.

I am, therefore, pleased to invite Parties to provide the necessary information by responding to the survey questions that have been made available through the Biosafety Clearing-House (BCH) at: <http://bch.cbd.int/managementcentre/register/2ndNatRepAddendum.shtml> as soon as possible but **no later than 15 July 2013**.

Kindly note that responses to this survey need to be provided through National Focal Points for the Cartagena Protocol (CPB-NFPs) and/or Biosafety Clearing-House Focal Points (BCH-NFPs).

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

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To: Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety National Focal Points  
CBD National Focal Points (where CPB focal points have not yet been designated)  
Biosafety Clearing-House National Focal Points



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