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NOTIFICATION

Dates and venues of COP 13 to the Convention on Biological Diversity, COP-MOP 8 to the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety, and COP-MOP 2 to the Nagoya Protocol on Access and Benefit-sharing, and other upcoming meetings

Dear Madam/Sir,

At its twelfth meeting, the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD) decided to hold its future ordinary meetings within a two-week period that also includes the meetings of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Cartagena Protocol, as well as the meetings of the Parties to the Nagoya Protocol (decision XII/27). The Conference of the Parties also decided that the meetings will be held in Los Cabos, Mexico, in November 2016 (decision XII/34).

Further to these decisions, taking into account the calendar of major international meetings, and in consultation with the Bureau and the Government of Mexico, I am pleased to inform you that the thirteenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity (COP 13), the eighth meeting of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety (COP-MOP 8), and the second meeting of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Nagoya Protocol on Access and Benefit-sharing (COP-MOP 2), will be held in the period from 4 to 17 December 2016, in Los Cabos, Mexico.

I also take this opportunity to inform you that, in the absence of offers from Parties to host these meetings, the nineteenth meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice and the ninth meeting of the Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on Article 8(j) and Related Provisions of the Convention will be held in Montreal, Canada, in the period from 1 to 7 November 2015. The twentieth meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice and the first meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Implementation will be held in the period from 25 April to 7 May 2016, in Montreal, Canada.

Additional information on the meetings will be made available in due course.

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

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To: All CBD, CPB and Nagoya Protocol Focal Points and International Organizations



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