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NOTIFICATION

Request for information on the contribution of collective action to biodiversity conservation, including on experiences and lessons learned in applying pertinent methodologies

Dear Madam/Sir,

In paragraph 29 of decision XII/3, the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity invites Parties, other Governments and relevant stakeholder organizations to evaluate the contribution of collective action to biodiversity conservation and resource mobilization, and to provide information on the contribution of collective action to biodiversity conservation, including on experiences and lessons learned in applying pertinent methodologies. The provisions on collective action are contained in the Annex to the present notification.

Accordingly, I kindly invite you to submit to the Secretariat any currently available information on the contribution of collective action to biodiversity conservation and resource mobilization as soon as possible but no later than **15 May 2015**.

The information submitted will be used to inform the Dialogue Workshop on Assessment of Collective Action of Indigenous Peoples and Local Communities in Biodiversity Conservation and Resource Mobilization to be held on 11-13 June 2015 in Panajachel, Guatemala with the generous financial support of the European Commission. Further information on the workshop is available at: <http://www.cbd.int/doc/notifications/2015/ntf-2015-030-8j-en.pdf>. Submissions will also be made available through the clearing-house mechanism of the Convention and prepared for the consideration of the Subsidiary Body on Implementation at its first meeting.

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

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Enclosure

To: All National Focal Points under the Convention and its Protocols, relevant stakeholder organizations



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Annex

DECISION XII/3 PROVISIONS ON COLLECTIVE ACTION

29. Recognizes, in the financial reporting framework, the role of collective action, including by indigenous and local communities, and non-market-based approaches for mobilizing resources for achieving the objectives of the Convention, including approaches such as community-based natural resource management, shared governance or joint management of protected areas, or through indigenous and community conserved territories and areas, and resolves to include activities that encourage and support such approaches into reporting under the Convention;

30. Takes note of the report “Conceptual and Methodological Framework for Evaluating the Contribution of Collective Action to Biodiversity Conservation” and its summary, and invites Parties, other Governments, and relevant stakeholder organizations to consider the following steps for its further development:

(a) To evaluate the contribution of collective action to biodiversity conservation and resource mobilization, including by establishing pilot projects, making use of, and further developing, as appropriate, the “Conceptual and Methodological Framework for Evaluating the Contribution of Collective Action to Biodiversity Conservation” , and other experiences;

(b) To provide, within available resources, financial and technical assistance to developing country Parties and Parties with economies in transition for undertaking activities referred to in subparagraph (a) above;

(c) To provide, through the Financial Reporting Framework and other means, information on the contribution of collective action to biodiversity conservation, including on experiences and lessons learned in applying pertinent methodologies;

31. Requests the Executive Secretary, subject to the availability of resources, to facilitate the exchange of views and experiences on collective action of indigenous and local communities as referred to in paragraph 30 (c) above, and make this information available through the clearing-house mechanism of the Convention and to the Subsidiary Body on Implementation at its first meeting for its consideration for update and provision of relevant guidelines;