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NOTIFICATION

Nineteenth meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice (SBSTTA 19), 2 to 5 November 2015 and

Ninth meeting of the Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on Article 8(j) and Related Provisions of the Convention on Biological Diversity (WG8J 9), 4 to 7 November 2015

Montreal, Canada

Dear Madam/Sir,

I have the honour to inform you that the nineteenth meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice (SBSTTA 19) will be held from 2 to 5 November 2015, and the ninth meeting of the Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on Article 8(j) and Related Provisions of the Convention on Biological Diversity (WG8J 9) will be held from 4 to 7 November 2015, in Montreal, Canada, at the Headquarters of the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO).

The provisional agendas for these meetings, as approved respectively by the Bureau of the Conference of the Parties (COP) and the Bureau of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice (SBSTTA), are attached. The pre-session and other relevant documentation for these meetings, as well as the Information Note for Participants, will be made available in due course, at the following respective webpages: http://www.cbd.int/doc/?meeting=SBSTTA-19 and http://www.cbd.int/doc/?meeting=WG8i-09.

In view of your organization's interest in the issues being addressed by the SBSTTA 19 and the WG8J 9 bodies, I have the honour of inviting your organization to participate in these meetings. Please advise the Secretariat of the name(s) and coordinates of your organization's representative(s) to these meetings. Kindly note that the designation of representative(s) should be submitted in the form of an official letter, addressed to the CBD Executive Secretary, and sent to the Secretariat, as soon as possible, and preferably by **15 September 2015**, as a scanned e-mail attachment to secretariat@cbd.int or by fax at +1 514-288-6588.

I look forward to the participation of your organization in these meetings and to your continued support to the work of the Convention on Biological Diversity.

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

Braulio Ferreira de Souza Dias Executive Secretary

Attachment

To: UN Organizations and Specialized Agencies, IGOs, NGOs and Indigenous Organizations







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SUBSIDIARY BODY ON SCIENTIFIC, TECHNICAL AND TECHNOLOGICAL ADVICE Nineteenth meeting

PROVISIONAL AGENDA

1. Opening of the meeting.

Montreal, Canada, 2–5 November 2015

- 2. Organizational matters.
- 3. Strategic scientific and technical issues related to the implementation of the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020:
 - 3.1 Further consideration of the implications of the findings of the fourth edition of the *Global Biodiversity Outlook* and related reports, including with respect to mainstreaming and the integration of biodiversity across sectors;
 - 3.2 Key scientific and technical needs related to the implementation of the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020 and related research;
 - 3.3 Tools to evaluate the effectiveness of policy instruments for the implementation of the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020;
 - 3.4 Indicators for the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020.
- 4. Reports and studies for review:
 - 4.1 Biodiversity and human health;
 - 4.2 Climate-related geoengineering;
 - 4.3 Forest biodiversity.
- 5. Work of the Subsidiary Body in the light of the 2014-2018 Work Programme of the Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform for Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services and relationship with the Subsidiary Body on Implementation.
- 6. Other matters.
- 7. Adoption of the report.
- 8. Closure of the meeting.







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AD HOC OPEN-ENDED INTER-SESSIONAL WORKING GROUP ON ARTICLE 8(j) AND RELATED PROVISIONS OF THE CONVENTION ON BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY

Ninth meeting Montreal, Canada, 4-7 November 2015

PROVISIONAL AGENDA

- 1. Opening of the meeting.
- 2. Organizational matters:
 - 2.1. Election of officers;
 - 2.2. Adoption of the agenda;
 - 2.3. Organization of work.
- 3. Review of the implementation of specific items, including indicators related to Article 8(j) and related provisions.
- 4. Task 12 of the Multi-Year Programme of Work on the implementation of Article 8(j) and related provisions:
 - (i) Develop guidelines for obtaining the prior informed consent or approval and involvement of the indigenous peoples and local communities for the use of their traditional knowledge;
 - (ii) Develop guidelines to ensure that indigenous peoples and local communities obtain a fair and equitable share of benefits arising from the use of their knowledge;
 - (iii) Develop standards and guidelines for the reporting and prevention of unlawful appropriation of traditional knowledge;
 - (iv) Develop a glossary of relevant key terms and concepts in Article 8(j) and related provisions.
- 5. Task 15 of the Multi-Year Programme of Work on the implementation of Article 8(j) and related provisions: best-practice guidelines for the repatriation of indigenous and traditional knowledge.
- 6. Recommendations of the United Nations Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues.
- 7. In-depth dialogue on thematic areas and other cross-cutting issues.
- 8. Other matters.
- 9. Adoption of the report.
- 10. Closure of the meeting.
