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REMINDER NOTIFICATION

Submission of information on developments related to ratification and implementation of the Nagoya Protocol on Access to Genetic Resources and the Fair and Equitable Sharing of Benefits Arising from their Utilization

Madam/Sir,

The Subsidiary Body on Implementation (SBI), at its first meeting held in Montreal, Canada, from 2 to 6 May 2016, considered progress towards Aichi Biodiversity Target 16 on the Nagoya Protocol on the basis of a progress report prepared by the Secretariat (document UNEP/CBD/SBI/1/3).

In recommendation 1/2, paragraph 2, the SBI requested the Executive Secretary to update the document to reflect any additional developments related to ratification and implementation of the Protocol, on the basis of information received from Parties and non-Parties to the Protocol as well as information made available to the Access and Benefit-sharing Clearing-House, and to make the document available for the information of the Conference of the Parties at its thirteenth meeting and the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Protocol at its second meeting.

Against this background, Parties and non-Parties to the Nagoya Protocol are invited to provide the Secretariat with information regarding any additional developments related to:

- (a) Progress towards the ratification or accession to the Nagoya Protocol;
- (b) Progress towards the implementation of the Nagoya Protocol, including as follows:
 - (i) The establishment of institutional structures, including the designation of a national focal point on access and benefit-sharing, and one or more competent national authorities and checkpoints;
 - (ii) The adoption, development or revision of legislative, administrative or policy measures on access and benefit-sharing; and
 - (iii) Any other steps taken towards the implementation of the Protocol.

Information made available to the Secretariat or through the Access and Benefit-sharing Clearing-House **by 15 August 2016 at the latest** will be reflected in the report. Please note that information should be sent through an official letter addressed to the Executive Secretary by e-mail to secretariat@cbd.int.

To: ABS National Focal Points to the Nagoya Protocol (CBD National Focal Points where ABS National Focal Points have not yet been designated)



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Thank you in advance for your kind cooperation.

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

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