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NOTIFICATION

Selected countries to participate in the project on “Integrated implementation of the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety, the Convention on Biological Diversity and the Nagoya-Kuala Lumpur Supplementary Protocol on Liability and Redress”

Dear Madam/Sir,

Reference is made to notification 2017-040, issued on 2 May 2017, inviting Parties to submit expressions of interest to participate in the project on “Integrated implementation of the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety, the Convention on Biological Diversity and the Nagoya-Kuala Lumpur Supplementary Protocol on Liability and Redress”.

After careful review of the expressions of interest received by the Secretariat before the extended deadline of 26 June 2017, and taking into consideration the criteria that were set out in the notification and the need for an equitable geographical balance among the recipients, I am pleased to inform you that the following ten developing country Parties have been selected to participate in the project: Cambodia, Cameroon, Cuba, Ghana, Mongolia, Nigeria, Peru, Togo, Venezuela and Vietnam. These countries will receive financial assistance through the Japan Biodiversity Fund. The Secretariat will soon contact the selected Parties with regard to further arrangements.

Three regional workshops to strengthen capacities for integrated implementation will also be held in the coming months as part of the project. Representatives from the selected countries will be invited to participate in the relevant workshop with a view to sharing their national experience with others in the region. The Japan Biodiversity Fund will also facilitate the participation of representatives from other eligible Parties in each region. Further information in this regard will be communicated in due time.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Government of Japan for providing the financial support for the project.

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

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Executive Secretary

To: Cartagena Protocol National Focal Points, CBD National Focal Points (where CPB focal points have not yet been designated)