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NOTIFICATION

Survey on key indicators of the Programme of Work on Public Awareness, Education and Participation Concerning Living Modified Organisms

Dear Madam/Sir,

In its decision BS-V/13, the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety (COP-MOP) adopted a Programme of Work on Public Awareness, Education and Participation concerning the safe transfer, handling and use of living modified organisms to facilitate the implementation of Article 23 of the Cartagena Protocol. The Programme of Work was extended until 2020, through decision CP-VIII/18.

The Secretariat has prepared a survey to collect information on key indicators of the Programme of Work to enable a review of the effectiveness of the implementation of Article 23 of the Cartagena Protocol, in the context of the fourth assessment and review of the effectiveness of the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety and the final evaluation of the Strategic Plan for the Cartagena Protocol.

I am pleased to invite Parties to provide the necessary information by responding to the survey questions, accessible at: <https://tiny.cc/flzwez> as soon as possible but **no later than 15 November 2019**.

The information collected through the survey will supplement information collected through the fourth national reports, the Biosafety Clearing-House and other sources and will be used for the preparation of the analysis of information on the implementation of the Cartagena Protocol by the Executive Secretary. The analysis of information will provide the basis for the fourth assessment and review of the effectiveness of the Cartagena Protocol and the final evaluation of the Strategic Plan.

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

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