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NOTIFICATION
Launch of the fifth edition of the *Global Biodiversity Outlook*

Dear Madam/Sir,

As communicated in notification [2020-058](#) issued on 14 August 2020, the fifth edition of the *Global Biodiversity Outlook* (GBO 5) will be launched during the special virtual session of SBSTTA on Tuesday, 15 September 2020, 11:00-13:00 UTC. The special session will be followed by a Press Conference at 13:15 UTC.

In advance of the official launch of GBO 5, I am pleased to inform you that the English version of the summary for policy makers has been made available to Parties and other registered participants in the special session, under embargo from this page: <https://www.cbd.int/gbo5/embargo/>. On the same page, you will find links to the full report and other material related to GBO 5. The language versions of the report, as well as additional materials related to GBO 5, are being added to the page as they become available. Note that some of the materials being provided are not in their final form. You are free to access the materials; however, **please do not publish, air or circulate any of the materials** until the embargo is lifted following the special session on 15 September.

I take this opportunity to express my sincere appreciation for all your substantive inputs and valuable contribution to the development of this important report.

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

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Executive Secretary

To: All CBD National Focal Points, Cartagena Protocol Focal Points, ABS Focal Points, SBSTTA Focal Points, indigenous peoples and local communities, and other relevant organizations

