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NOTIFICATION Resumed sessions of SBSTTA 24, SBI 3 and WG2020-3 12-28 January 2022 - Geneva, Switzerland

Dear Madam/Sir,

Further to notification <u>2021-058</u>, and following consultations by the Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity with the Bureau of the Conference of the Parties, as well as with the Chairs of SBSTTA and SBI, and also the Co-Chairs of the Working Group on the Post-2020 Global Biodiversity Framework, I am pleased to inform you that, thanks to the generous offer by the Government of Switzerland, the physical meetings of the resumed sessions of SBSTTA 24, SBI 3 and WG2020-3 are planned to be held from 12 to 28 January 2022, at the International Conference Center Geneva in Geneva, Switzerland.

In order to help provide a safe and healthy environment for all participants at the meetings, vaccination is strongly encouraged. The Secretariat is currently exploring the possibility of facilitating the provision of vaccination for those registered delegates who have not yet received a vaccine.

In this regard, an early call for nominations for the meetings is being made with a view to solicit expressions of interest for the vaccination.

In accordance with usual practices, the designation of representatives to attend SBSTTA 24, SBI 3 and WG2020-3 meetings should be made through an official letter of nomination addressed to the CBD Executive Secretary, and sent as a scanned attachment by e-mail to: secretariat@cbd.int.

Participants interested in the facilitation of vaccination are strongly encouraged to indicate their expression of interest for the vaccine, as soon as possible and no later than **15 October 2021**. Registration will remain open after this deadline for those participants not requesting a vaccine.

All efforts are being made for the provision of vaccine prior to the meetings; however, it should be noted that the Secretariat cannot guarantee that vaccines will be provided, as further assessment of requests received would still be made, in consultation with the United Nations headquarters.

More information on documents for the meetings and other logistical information will be provided in due course.

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

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







