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N O T I F I C A T I O N

Accommodation Arrangements for Large Delegations for the 2026 UN Biodiversity Conference in Yerevan, Armenia

Dear Sir or Madam,

Allow me to refer to notification 2025-096 which confirmed the dates for the Seventeenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity, the Twelfth meeting of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety, and the Sixth meeting of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Nagoya Protocol on Access to Genetic Resources and the Fair and Equitable Sharing of Benefits Arising from their Utilization, also commonly referred to as the 2026 UN Biodiversity Conference.

I would like to inform Parties and observer organizations that will have large delegations of **25 or more participants** and have **not yet reserved** their accommodation in Yerevan, that we have secured a limited number of hotel rooms at negotiated rates for the duration of the Conference. The rooms are available through block booking, which will require an advanced financial commitment and are available on a first-come and first-served basis.

Parties and observer organizations wishing to obtain more information on options and arrange reservations are invited to contact the accommodation service provider directly at the following e-mail address: booking@cop17yerevan.am , as soon as possible. The following information should be included in the message:

- Subject line: name of country/organization
- Name of contact person in charge of the group booking
- Number of rooms required
- Dates of stay (check-in, checkout)
- Billing address

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

(*Signed*) Astrid Schomaker
Executive Secretary

To: CBD national focal points, ABS national focal points, Cartagena Protocol focal points, SBSTTA focal points, indigenous peoples and local communities, and relevant organizations