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## NOTIFICATION

### **Composition of Expert Meeting on cooperative procedures and institutional mechanisms to promote compliance with the Protocol and to address cases of non-compliance Montreal, Canada, 28 February -1 March 2012**

Dear Madam/Sir,

In accordance with decision X/1, Annex II, the first meeting of the Open-ended Ad Hoc Intergovernmental Committee for the Nagoya Protocol on Access to Genetic Resources and the Fair and Equitable Sharing of Benefits Arising from their Utilization (Intergovernmental Committee), held in June 2011, addressed as one of its agenda items “cooperative procedures and institutional mechanisms to promote compliance with the Protocol and to address cases of non-compliance, including procedures and mechanisms to offer advice or assistance, where appropriate”.

Further to the consideration of this issue, in recommendation 1/4 annexed to the report of the meeting (UNEP/CBD/ICNP/1/8), the Intergovernmental Committee requested the Executive Secretary “in consultation with the Bureau of the Intergovernmental Committee, and subject to the availability of funds, to convene an expert meeting to review the synthesis report and further refine the draft elements and options developed by the Executive Secretary for consideration by the Intergovernmental Committee at its second meeting”.

Thanks to the financial support provided by the European Commission, the expert meeting will be held in Montreal from 28 February to 1 March 2012. By Notification 2011-205 of 1 November 2011, the Executive Secretary invited Parties, indigenous and local communities, international organizations and relevant stakeholders to nominate experts and observers for the meeting by 16 December 2011. As set out in the Notification, the group of experts is to be composed of a maximum of five experts per region and five observers. As of 22 December 2011, the Secretariat had received 11 nominations from Africa, 11 from Asia, 3 from Central and Eastern Europe, 6 from Latin America and the Caribbean, and 5 from the Western Europe and

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Others Group. On the basis of these nominations, 23 experts and 5 observers were selected taking into account their expertise, the need to ensure equitable geographical distribution, and with due regard to gender balance. The list of selected experts and observers was cleared by the Bureau of the Intergovernmental Committee and is attached for your information.

A letter of invitation will be sent to selected experts and observers together with information of relevance to their participation in the meeting. Please also note that the documents for the meeting are available on the Secretariat's website at: <http://www.cbd.int/doc/?meeting=ABSEM-COMP-01>.

I thank you for your cooperation and continued support to the Convention.

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

Ahmed Djoghlaif  
Executive Secretary

**List of selected experts and observers for the Expert Meeting on cooperative procedures and institutional mechanisms to promote compliance with the Protocol and to address cases of non-compliance**

**Montreal, Canada, 28 February – 1 March 2012**

**Experts**

**AFRICA**

Cameroon	Ms. Prudence Galega
Ethiopia	Mr. Abiyot Birhanu
Madagascar	Ms. Naritiana Rakotoniaina
South Africa	Mr. Jones Muleso Kharika
Uganda	Mr. David Hafashimana

**ASIA and the PACIFIC**

China	Mr. Xu Jing
India	Mr. M.F. Farooqui
Japan	Dr. Hiroji Isozaki
Malaysia	Ms. Gan Pei Fern
Republic of Korea	Mr. Won Seug Park

**CEE**

Hungary	Mr. Dries Van Eeckhoutte
Republic of Moldova	Mrs. Ala Rotaru
Tajikistan	Ms. Tatiana Novikova

**GRULAC**

Argentina	Ms. Magdalena Caretti
Brazil	Ms. Larissa Maria Lima Costa
Costa Rica	Mr. Jorge Cabrera Medaglia
Grenada	Mr. Marlon Glean
Mexico	Ms. Norma Munguía Aldaraca

**WEOG**

Canada	Ms. Anne Daniel
European Union	Mr. Rok Zvelc
Sweden	Ms. Ida Kärnström
Switzerland	Dr. Kaspar Sollberger
United Kingdom	Mrs. Clare Hamilton

**Observers**

**INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS AND AGREEMENTS**

International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture, Mr. Kent Nnadozie  
FAO Commission on Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture, Mr. Dan Leskien

**RESEARCH INSTITUTIONS / ACADEMIA**

United Nations University-Institute of Advanced Studies, Mr. Geoff Burton

**INDIGENOUS AND LOCAL COMMUNITIES**

Coordinadora de las Organizaciones Indigenas de la Cuenca Amazonica (COICA), Mr. Juan Carlos Jintiach Arcos

International Indigenous Forum on Biodiversity, Mr. Preston Hardison