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## NOTIFICATION

### **Regional workshop for indigenous and local community representatives of Asia and the Pacific with the financial support of the Governments of Spain and Japan**

Dear Madam/Sir,

I am pleased to inform Parties, governments, international organizations, indigenous and local communities and stakeholders that, thanks to the generous financial support from the Governments of Spain and Japan, a regional capacity building workshop for indigenous and local community representatives will be held in Chiang Mai, Thailand, from 9-12 July 2012.

The regional workshop aims to increase the number of indigenous and local communities, with an emphasis on women, effectively involved in the CBD processes, as well as to build their capacity to do so. This regional workshop will focus on Article 8(j) and related provisions, Article 10 (c), as well as the Nagoya Protocol, and aims at preparing indigenous and local community representatives for the eleventh meeting of the Conference of the Parties, which will be held in Hyderabad, India, on 8-19 October 2012. The agenda of the workshop is attached for ease of reference.

I am pleased to invite interested indigenous and local communities from the countries of the Asia/Pacific region to nominate representatives to participate in this meeting by sending to the Secretariat an expression of interest or nomination by means of an official letter of designation addressed to the Executive Secretary, along with a recent curriculum vitae of the nominee by **20 May 2012**, for consideration in the selection process.

Participants will be selected on the basis of a fair and equitable sub-regional representation, experience, as well as the ability to disseminate information arising from the workshop. Selected participants will be notified by mid-June. They will be provided with economy air travel to and from Chiang Mai, a daily subsistence allowance and accommodation during the workshop.

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

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Executive Secretary

To: CBD Focal Points and ICNP Focal Points, Indigenous and local communities, and International organizations.

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ASIAN REGIONAL INDIGENOUS AND LOCAL  
COMMUNITY PREPARATORY MEETING  
FOR THE ELEVENTH MEETING OF THE  
CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES  
Chang Mai, Thailand, 9-12 July 2012

**PROVISIONAL AGENDA**

1. Opening of the meeting.
2. Organizational matters.
3. Introduction to the Convention on Biological Diversity, including the participation of indigenous and local communities in the work of the Convention.
4. Introduction to Articles 8(j), 10(c), and related provisions:
  - (i) Focus on Article 8(j) and the eleventh meeting of the Conference of the Parties;
  - (ii) Focus on Article 10(c) and the eleventh meeting of the Conference of the Parties.
5. Strategy for Biodiversity 2011-2020 and the Aichi Targets.
6. Introduction to the Nagoya Protocol on Access to Genetic Resources and the Fair and Equitable Sharing of the Benefits Arising From Their Utilization:
  - (i) Background;
  - (ii) Overview of the Protocol, in particular provisions of particular relevance to indigenous and local communities;
  - (iii) The role of ILCs in the implementation of the Nagoya Protocol;
  - (iv) Views from the International Indigenous Forum on Biodiversity.
8. Indigenous and local community representatives' preparatory discussions for the eleventh meeting of the Conference of the Parties.
9. Other matters.
10. Closure of the workshop.

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