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NOTIFICATION

Composition of the Ad Hoc Technical Expert Group on Digital Sequence Information on Genetic Resources

Madam/Sir,

In decision XIII/16, the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity established an Ad Hoc Technical Expert Group on Digital Sequence Information on Genetic Resources. In decision NP-2/14, the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Nagoya Protocol decided that the Ad Hoc Technical Expert Group would also serve the Nagoya Protocol.

In notification [2017-049](#), issued on June 12, 2017, Parties, other Governments, indigenous peoples and local communities, relevant organizations and stakeholders were invited to nominate experts to the Ad Hoc Technical Expert Group on Digital Sequence Information on Genetic Resources.

Based on the nominations received and in consultation with the Bureau of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific Technical and Technological Advice, experts were selected to participate in the Ad Hoc Technical Expert Group, taking into account relevant expertise and with due regard to regional and gender balance. I am pleased to attach herewith the list of selected experts.

With the generous financial support of the Government of Canada and the European Union, a meeting of the Ad Hoc Technical Expert Group will be convened in Montreal from 13 to 16 February 2018. A letter of invitation to the meeting will be sent to the selected experts. Further information and documents will be made available in due course on the website of the Convention at: <https://www.cbd.int/meetings/>

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

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Executive Secretary

Enclosure

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



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Annex

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Experts nominated by Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity:

Region	Country	Expert
Africa	Democratic Republic of the Congo	Mr. Freddy Bulubulu Otono
	Namibia	Mr. Pierre du Plessis
	Uganda	Ms. Sarah Naigaga
Asia-Pacific	Japan	Mr. Nobuyuki Fujita
	Philippines	Mr. Perry Ong
	Republic of Korea	Ms. Myoung-Hai Kwak
Central and Eastern Europe	Belarus	Mr. Sergei Melnov
	Bulgaria	Mr. Nikolay Tzvetkov
Group of Latin America and the Caribbean	Argentina	Ms. Patricia Gladys Gadaleta
	Brazil	Ms. Leticia Piancastelli Siqueira Brina
	Mexico	Ms. Romana Alejandra Barrios Perez
Western Europe and Others	Canada	Ms. Anissa Lybaert
	European Union	Mr. Matthias-Leonhard Maier
	Sweden	Ms. Marie Nyman

Experts nominated by other Governments:

Country	Expert
United States of America	Ms. Jennifer Long

Experts nominated by organizations:

Organization	Expert
Secretariat of the Commission on Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture	Mr. Dan Leskien
Secretariat of the International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture	Mr. Daniele Manzella
World Health Organization	Ms. Amelie Rioux
CGIAR	Mr. David Ellis
Global Biodiversity Information Facility	Mr. Paul Hebert
Global Genome Biodiversity Network	Mr. Ole Seberg

World Federation for Culture Collections	Mr. Kevin McCluskey
Third World Network	Mr. Edward Hammond
International Chamber of Commerce	Mr. Dominic Muyldermans
ABS Capacity Development Initiative	Ms. Margo A. Bagley