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NOTIFICATION

Membership of the informal advisory group on synergies among biodiversity-related conventions

Dear Madam/Sir,

I refer to notification 2017-081, dated 28 August 2017, inviting Parties to nominate qualified representatives to serve in an informal advisory group on synergies to be established pursuant to paragraph 15 of decision XIII/24. I am pleased to inform you that following review of the nominations received against experience sought and following consultation with the Bureau, I have established the informal advisory group with membership as listed in the annex to this notification.

The response to the invitation has indicated a high level of interest among Parties towards this issue and to contributing to the work of the informal advisory group. In determining the size and composition of the Group we have therefore sought to make it as inclusive as possible and to accommodate the greatest diversity of national circumstances and experience. The membership provides balanced representation among regions and regional groups, developed and developing countries, gender balance and diversity of professional experience, and may in future be supplemented in order to address any gaps in representation.

In order to support its work, a meeting of the informal advisory group will be convened by the Secretariat in Montreal, Canada, on 17 and 18 December 2017, which is timed to take advantage of the presence of several of the members at the forthcoming open-ended intersessional meetings of the Convention. Financial support would be provided to facilitate the participation of a limited number of representatives of developing countries or countries with economy in transition.

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

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Executive Secretary

Enclosure

To : CBD National Focal Points

Annex
Members of the informal advisory group on
synergies among biodiversity-related conventions
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	Region	Country	Name
1	Africa	Cameroon	Ms. Prudence Galega
2	Africa	Madagascar	Ms. Voahangy Raharimalala
3	Africa	Sudan	Ms. Sawsan Khair Elsied Abdel Rahim Mustafa
4	Africa	Swaziland	Ms. Hlobsile Sikhosana-Shongwe
5	Asia-Pacific	China	Ms. Gu Li
6	Asia-Pacific	India	Dr. Vinod B. Mathur
7	Asia-Pacific	Japan	Mr. Atsuhiko Yoshinaka
8	Asia-Pacific	Kuwait	Mrs. Leina Alawadhi
9	GRULAC	Colombia	Ms. Jimena Nieto Carrasco
10	GRULAC	Mexico	Mr. Hesiquio Benítez
11	GRULAC	Peru	Ms. Miriam Cerdán Quiliano
12	GRULAC	Brazil	Ms. Iona'i Ossami de Moura
13	Central & Eastern Europe	Georgia	Ms. Teona Karchava
14	Central & Eastern Europe	Slovakia	Dr. Ján Kadlečík
15	WEOG / CEE	European Commission	Mr. Anne Theo Seinen
16	WEOG	Belgium	Ms. Ines Verleye
17	WEOG	Finland	Ms. Marina von Weissenberg
18	WEOG	Switzerland	Mr. Norbert Bärlocher
19	WEOG	Norway	Ms Maja Stade Aarønæs