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INTRODUCTION

1. This report has been prepared pursuant to decision III/24 of the Conference of the Parties, which requested the Executive Secretary to prepare a quarterly report on the administration of the Convention including such matters as the staff list, status of contributions, progress on the implementation of the medium term work programme and financial expenditure report. The requirements to report on a regular basis to the Parties were further elaborated under the Administrative Arrangements between the Secretariat and UNEP, which were endorsed by the Conference of the Parties in decision IV/17.
2. The Executive Secretary has therefore, prepared the 47th edition of the Quarterly Report which contains a summary of key activities in implementing the decisions of the Conference of the Parties and other relevant matters during the period 1 October to 31 December 2009.

I. OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

MEETINGS

3. The Secretariat organized the following meetings:
4. To initiate preparations for the International Year of Biodiversity (IYB) in Canada, as host country of the Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity, a special ceremony was held on 2 October to launch the official IYB logo at the City Hall of Montreal. The event was opened by the Mayor of Montreal, followed by statements by: the Director of *Biosphère*, representatives of the Triple CBD COP Presidency (Brazil, Germany and Japan), the Québec Minister of Sustainable Development, Environment and Parks, the Secretary General of the International Civil Aviation Organization, and the CBD Executive Secretary. Representatives and members of the Diplomatic Corps and relevant organizations in Montreal, as well as a number of senior officials from the City of Montreal also attended the important event.
5. Prior to the IYB logo launch event, the members of the Canadian Universities Partnership on Biodiversity convened a meeting to discuss possible collaboration and contribution of the Partnership to the celebration of the IYB.
6. The Chairs of the Scientific Advisory Bodies of Biodiversity-related Conventions held its third meeting on 4 October, in Nairobi, Kenya. The meeting discussed: development of post-2010 biodiversity target, options for improving collaboration and synergy on issues of common interest, preparations for the International Year of Biodiversity, and options for strengthening science policy interfaces on biodiversity and ecosystem services.
7. The sixth meeting of *Ad hoc* Open-ended Working Group on Article 8(j) and Related Provisions (WG8J 6) was held on 2-6 November, in Montreal, Canada, and gathered more than 300 participants. The meeting addressed recommendations including: mechanisms to promote effective participation of indigenous and local communities in matters of relevance to them under the Convention, the development of *sui generis* systems for the protection of traditional knowledge, innovations and practices; elements of a code of ethical conduct to ensure respect for the cultural and intellectual heritage of indigenous and local communities; and a multi-year programme of work on the implementation of Article 8(j) and related provisions. The WG8J 6 also provided substantial contribution with regard to traditional knowledge to the negotiations at the WGABS 8 meeting. A workshop for the Latin American and Caribbean indigenous and local community was convened by the Secretariat on 29-31 October at the Secretariat offices, with the participation of 22 participants.

8. The eighth meeting of the *Ad hoc* Open-ended Working Group on Access and Benefit Sharing (WGABS 8) was convened on 9-15 November, back-to-back with the WG8J 6 meeting. The meeting continued the negotiation of an international regime on access and benefit sharing, with a focus on the components of the operational text on nature, traditional knowledge associated with genetic resources, capacity-building, compliance, fair and equitable benefit-sharing, access. The meeting adopted two annexes as part of the final report: the “Montreal Annex”, a consolidated draft of the international regime on access and benefit sharing, and the second annex on proposals for operational texts left in abeyance for consideration at the Working Group’s next meeting. The meeting also established an intersessional process leading up to WGABS 9, as well as the creation of the “Like-Minded in Spirit Group of Women”, a new informal cross-regional group to ensure women’s contribution is recognized in the ABS Working Group and other CBD processes.

9. During the last quarter of 2009, the COP 9 Bureau convened three meetings, i.e. 1 November, prior to the WG8J 6 meeting; 8 November and 15 November, for the WGABS 8 meeting.

10. A meeting of the SBSTTA Bureau was held on 6-7 November in Montreal. Main items on the agenda include: preparations for the GBO 3, revision of the new strategic plan: 2010 biodiversity target and post-2010 target, status of preparations for IYB and SBSTTA 14 preparations. Following the meeting, a joint meeting of the COP-SBSTTA Bureau meeting was held on 7 November, which further discussed the revision of the new strategic plan and GBO 3.

11. The members of the COP-MOP 4 Bureau met on 8 November in Montreal. Discussion focused on: progress of work of the AHTEG on the Risk Assessment and Risk Management, preparations towards the meeting of the Group of the Friends of the Co-Chairs of Legal and Technical Experts on Liability and Redress to take place in Malaysia in February 2010, status of the Assessment and Review of the Strategic Plan, status of the voluntary contributions in support of approved activities of the Cartagena Protocol for the biennium 2009-2010, and preparations for COP-MOP/5.

12. The Third Business and the 2010 Biodiversity Challenge Conference was held on 30 November-2 December in Jakarta, Indonesia, in conjunction with the UNEP Business and Industry Global Dialogue. The meeting adopted two key documents: the “Jakarta Charter on Biodiversity” and the Strategy to Advance the 2020 Business and Biodiversity Agenda, which will be forwarded to the tenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties in Nagoya in October 2010. A sub-regional capacity-building workshop for Communication, Education and Public Awareness and Media Relations for South-East Asia was also convened on 30 November-3 December in Jakarta, organized by the Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity, in partnership with the ASEAN Centre for Biodiversity, and the Commission for Education and Communication of IUCN.

13. On 29 October, the first meeting of the Steering Committee for South-South Cooperation on biodiversity was convened with the view to further advance the multi-year plan of action and to prepare for the South-South Cooperation Forum on Biodiversity for Development in October 2010. The Steering Committee defined a process for consultations and validation of the Plan, *inter alia*, through the organization of another expert meeting in Kampala, Uganda, scheduled to take place on 31 May to 2 June 2010, and through the South-South Cooperation Forum in Nagoya, on 18 October 2010.

14. Four regional workshops on the review of CBD programme of work on protected areas, namely: Regional Workshop for Africa on the Review of Implementation of the Programme of Work on Protected Areas (5-9 October 2009, Grand Bassam, Cote d’Ivoire); Regional Workshop for Asia and the Pacific on the Review of Implementation of the Programme of Work on Protected Areas (12-15 October 2009, Dehradun, India); Regional Workshop for Latin America and the Caribbean on the Review of Implementation of the Programme of Work on Protected Areas (2-5 November 2009, Bogota, Colombia); and the Regional Workshop for Central and Eastern Europe on the Review of

Implementation of the Programme of Work on Protected Areas (27 November-1 December 2009, Isle of Vilm, Germany).

15. The Secretariat also organized the following meetings: Expert Workshop on Scientific and Technical Guidance on the use of Biogeographic Classification Systems and Identification of Marine Areas beyond national jurisdiction in need of protection, (29 September-2 October 2009, Ottawa Canada); Expert Workshop on the Removal and Mitigation of Perverse, and the Promotion of Positive, Incentive Measures (6-8 October 2009, Paris, France); Liaison Group Meeting on Bushmeat (15-17 October 2009, Buenos Aires, Argentina); Fifth meeting of the Informal Advisory Committee on the Biosafety Clearing-House (19-21 October 2009, Montreal, Canada); Sixth meeting of the Compliance Committee under the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety (4-6 November 2009, Montreal, Canada); Project Development Workshop for the Global Taxonomy Initiative in Africa (16-18 November 2009, Nairobi, Kenya); Expert Workshop on Scientific and Technical Aspects relevant to Environmental Impact Assessment in Marine Areas Beyond National Jurisdiction (18-20 November 2009, Manila, Philippines); Latin America and the Caribbean Regional Training of Trainers' Workshop on the Identification and Documentation of Living Modified Organisms under the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety (23-27 November 2009, Mexico City, Mexico); Regional Workshop for Asia and the Pacific on Ways and Means to Promote the Sustainable Production and Use of Biofuels (25-27 November 2009, Bangkok, Thailand); Regional Workshop for the Caribbean and Central American Countries on the Fourth National Report and Updating the Strategic Plan for Post-2010 Period (7-10 December 2009, Panama City, Panama); Regional Workshop for Africa on Ways and Means to Promote the Sustainable Production and Use of Biofuels (8-10 December 2009, Accra, Ghana); Regional Consultation for Africa on the updating and revision of the Strategic Plan of the Convention for the post-2010 period (11-12 December 2009, Cairo, Egypt); and Regional Workshop for East, South and Southeast Asia on Updating the Strategic Plan of the Convention on Biological Diversity for post-2010 period (15-18 December 2009, Tokyo, Japan).

MUSEUM OF NATURE AND CULTURE

16. In the margins of the WG8J-6 and WGABS-8 meetings, a number of delegates presented donations to the CBD Museum of Nature and Culture, including: Cambodia (wooden vase with Angkor style sculpture of the flower *Phkay Chan*), Grenada (abstract painting and portrait of a Grenada dove), Serbia (woven tapestry and medallion), Ukraine (mace and painted Easter eggs on decorative plate), Republic of Moldova (books, brochures, ceramic plate, special edition postage stamps), Syrian Arab Republic (plaque), Belarus (doll in traditional costume and book), and Georgia (ornate goblet). On 6 November, in the margins of the SBSTTA Bureau meeting, the Bureau member from Turkmenistan presented a Turkmen national carpet and a Turkmen camel (dromedary) for inclusion in the CBD Museum. The United Nations Environment Programme also contributed a mural painting entitled "Fecondite".

REPRESENTATION

17. During the last quarter of 2009, the Secretariat participated and contributed to a number of important meetings and activities that are of relevance to the objectives of the Convention on Biological Diversity and its Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety. Details can be seen in Annex I to this report.

MEMORANDA OF COOPERATION/UNDERSTANDING

World Association of Zoos and Aquariums

18. A Memorandum of Understanding was signed with the World Association of Zoos and Aquariums (WAZA), in the margins of the WAZA Congress and 64th Annual WAZA Meeting in Saint Louis, Missouri. The objective of the agreement is to provide a framework for cooperation between the two organizations. Potential areas of collaboration, but are not limited to, include: raising public
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awareness about the importance of biodiversity; coordinated efforts to mark and celebrate the 2010 International Year of Biodiversity; promoting the role of WAZA members in *ex-situ* and *in-situ* conservation.

ECOLEX Partnership

19. Effective international and domestic laws and policies are a cornerstone to biodiversity conservation, the sustainable use of its components, and the fair and equitable sharing of the benefits arising from the use of genetic resources. In this regard, a partnership was established with ECOLEX to provide readily accessible information on biodiversity-related laws and policies. The Gateway to Environmental Law, ECOLEX is a web-based information service operated jointly by the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, the International Union for the Conservation of Nature and the United Nations Environment Program, and has the most comprehensive global source of national and international environmental and natural resources law and policy.

Amazon Treaty

20. To strengthen the protected area systems of the Amazonian countries (Bolivia, Brazil, Ecuador, Guyana, Peru, Suriname, and Venezuela), the Latin American Network for Technical Cooperation on National Parks other Protected Areas and Wild Flora (REDPARQUES), the International Union for Conservation of Nature, WWF and CBD, an agreement was signed for the Pan-Amazonian protected areas initiative to promote regional implementation of the programme of work on protected areas of the CBD. The signing ceremony took place in the margins of the Latin American and Caribbean regional workshop on the review of progress and capacity building for the implementation of the programme of work on protected areas under the Convention on Biological Diversity, held in Bogota, Colombia.

Partnerships in Environmental Management for the Seas of East Asia (PEMSEA)

21. In the margins of the Special East Asian Seas Partnership Council Meeting of the East Asian Seas Congress 2009, an agreement was signed with the Partnerships in Environmental Management for the Seas of East Asia (PEMSEA). In view of PEMSEA's remarkable contribution to the implementation of integrated marine and coastal management, the cooperation would further enhance the implementation of the Jakarta Mandate and the CBD programme of work on marine and coastal biological diversity.

Conservation International

22. On 4 December, a partnership was established with the Conservation International, with the aim of enhancing cooperation on areas of common interest and expertise in support of the implementation of the three objectives of the Convention on Biological Diversity. Detailed activities will be developed in a bi-annual work plan.

United Nations Forum on Forests

23. The heads of the Secretariats of the Convention on Biological Diversity and the United Nations Forum on Forests (UNFF) signed a Memorandum of Understanding, in the margins of the UNFCCC COP-15 in Copenhagen. The agreement aims to facilitate the implementation of the Forest Instrument and the UNFF multi-year programme of work and the CBD programme of work, as well as promote joint activities related to the 2010 International Year of Biodiversity and the 2011 International Year of Forests. The partnership also foresees the secondment of a temporary staff position, based in New York at the UNFF Secretariat, to carry out joint activities.

MEETINGS OF THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

24. During the period of October and December 2009, the Executive Secretary met with a number of senior staff and representatives from Parties, other Governments, organizations and institutions, with a view to further strengthen and enhance cooperation, as well as increase public awareness, of the Convention on Biological Diversity and its Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety, its work and objectives.

25. In the October, the Secretariat welcomed the visit of: senior officials from the Group of 77 Secretariat in New York, the Director of the *Institut de l'énergie et de l'environnement de la Francophonie*, staff of the Canadian Environmental Network, representatives of the Business Events Sydney, as well as students from Concordia University's Masters in Environmental Impact Assessment course. Staff from the United Nations Board of Auditors also visited the Secretariat.

26. In the margins of the WG8J 6 and WGABS 8 meetings, visitors include: UNEP/DELCO Director and staff, UNEP-MEA focal points, Managing Editor of IISD's Earth Negotiations Bulletin, GTZ representatives, senior staff from IUCN and IEPF, Executive Director of Stakeholder Forum for a Sustainable Future, and representatives from the Japan Environmental Civil Network for CBD. A number of delegations attending the CBD meetings at ICAO also visited the Secretariat including: Australia, Belgium, Brazil, France, Germany, India, Seychelles, and Rwanda, among other countries. Senior officials from the Japanese government and staff from UNON met with CBD staff to discuss the Nagoya Biodiversity meetings. A meeting was also held with the Canada Research Chair in Ethnoecology and Biodiversity Conservation and UNESCO staff on preparations for the cultural and biodiversity congress to take place in 2010. Students from Concordia University and McGill University also visited the Secretariat.

27. Senior staff from the International Civil Aviation Organization and Airbus paid a visit to the Secretariat in December and briefly addressed the Secretariat staff. The CBD Executive Secretary also welcomed the visit of the Director of *Air Algérie* in Montreal, and was followed by a meeting with the Director General of *Air Algérie* in Algiers in December. The Ambassador of Tunisia to Canada also paid a visit to the Secretariat, and a staff from the Global Biodiversity Information Facility also visited the CBD office and met with relevant staff.

28. In October, the CBD Executive Secretary was in Nairobi to attend the IPBES-2 meeting, which took place after the CSAB-3 meeting. The meeting provided an opportunity for the launching of the official logo for the International Year of Biodiversity. The logo and slogan were also translated to Kishwahili. The CBD Executive Secretary also had an opportunity to deliver a statement on IPBES and role of CBD. Bilateral meetings were held with a number of senior UNEP staff, the CBD COP President and a number of Government representatives attending the IPBES meeting. A meeting was also held with senior staff from UNON on support for CBD meetings in 2010.

29. The CBD Executive Secretary also travelled to Japan in October to take part in several CBD-related events as well as meet with senior officials from the Japanese government and relevant partners. The CBD Executive joined the Vice Minister of the Environment of Japan for the opening of the International Symposium: One Year Before CBD COP 10 - Post 2010 Biodiversity Target and the Asian Vision, which gathered more than 300 participants. The CBD Executive Secretary also opened the Japan Civil Society Network for CBD Symposium held at the Nagoya Congress Centre, attracting over 200 participants. Meetings were held with the Aichi Nagoya COP 10 Promotion Committee and representatives of the business community. While in Tokyo, the CBD Executive Secretary had the opportunity to meet the new Minister of the Environment of Japan. A press conference was held for the unveiling of the official logos for the 2010 Nagoya Biodiversity meetings and the International Year of Biodiversity. Meetings were held with senior officials from the Environment and Foreign Affairs Ministries, as well as with senior staff from Japan International Cooperation Agency. In Kobe, the CBD Executive Secretary attended and delivered a keynote presentation at the Kobe Biodiversity Dialogue, convened as a follow up to the Kobe Call of Action on Biodiversity adopted by the G8 Ministers of the Environment in May 2008.

30. The CBD Executive Secretary paid a one-day visit to Bangkok where he had an opportunity to meet with the Minister of Natural Resources and Environment. Issues discussed included: WGABS-8 meeting, preparations for the IYB and The Green Wave initiative. Meetings were also held with the Executive Secretary of United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific to

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discuss COP 10, IYB and GBO-3, as well as with the Director of the UNEP Regional Office for Asia and the Pacific on support for COP10, IYB, The Green Wave initiative, and the Expo 2012 in South Korea.

31. The CBD Executive Secretary also travelled to Singapore for a two-day visit to attend and deliver a keynote presentation at the First ASEAN Conference on Biodiversity. The conference, with the theme “Biodiversity in Focus: 2010 and Beyond,” was hosted by the ASEAN Centre for Biodiversity (ACB) and the National Parks Board, Singapore. Prior to the conference, the CBD Executive Secretary paid a courtesy call to the Minister of Foreign Affairs, to discuss continued cooperation on biodiversity conservation. The CBD Executive Secretary was also invited to attend the award ceremony of the photo contest on biodiversity, organized by ACB. An exhibition of the photos will be displayed at the COP 10 meeting in Nagoya. Bilateral meetings were held with the representatives of Vietnam, EU and Japan, including JICA, attending the meeting.

32. On 28 October, the CBD Executive Secretary attended a preparatory meeting for the 2010 G8 Summit, organized by *Le Conseil des relations internationales de Montréal* and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Canada. The meeting was convened to define Canada's position for the next G8 Summit. The CBD Executive Secretary made two interventions on the need to address and preparation of the UNGA special session on biodiversity through the G20.

33. During the first week of November, the CBD Executive Secretary was in New York for a one-day visit to present the report on the Convention on Biological Diversity to the Second Committee of the 64th session of the United Nations General Assembly. While in New York, the CBD Executive met with: the President of the 64th session of UNGA, the Ambassadors from Sudan, Senegal and Indonesia (in Nairobi), as well as the spokespersons of all the Regional groups and EU support group, and head of the Secretariat of the Stakeholder Forum on Rio+20.

34. On 18-20 November, the CBD Executive Secretary attended the UNEP Senior Managers Retreat in Nairobi. Presentations were made on the International Year of Biodiversity, the roadmap to Nagoya and beyond, and the international regime on access and benefit sharing. Bilateral meetings were held with the UNEP Executive Director, as well as with the UNEP Deputy Executive Director. Meetings were also held with UNEP Regional Directors to discuss IYB, The Green Wave initiative, and the ANIEC 2010, among other issues. A briefing was made to representatives of the UNEP Committee of Permanent Representatives on COP10 and the International Year of Biodiversity, and was followed by bilateral meetings with some Permanent Representatives at the meeting.

35. During the last week of November, the CBD Executive Secretary travelled to London to attend two important events. On 24 November, the CBD Executive Secretary was one of the distinguished guests invited to the 150th anniversary of the publication of Charles Darwin's *On the Origin of Species*, with the participation of the descendants of Charles Darwin and his publisher. The celebration took place in the historic rooms of 50 Albemarle Street, from which the book was first published on 24 November 1859. The following day, the CBD Executive Secretary attended and delivered a keynote speech at the launch of the UK-IYB partnership, hosted by the Natural History Museum, in support of the International Year of Biodiversity. The event gathered more than 300 participants, including the UK Minister for biodiversity. In the margins of the event, meetings were held with the UK Minister and with senior staff from DEFRA.

36. The CBD Executive Secretary was in Jakarta, Indonesia to attend and deliver an opening statement at the Third Business and the 2010 Biodiversity Challenge Conference on 30 November-2 December 2009. He also delivered opening remarks at the sub-regional capacity-building workshop for ASEAN countries on Communication, Education, and Public Awareness and Media Training, organized by the Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity, in partnership with the ASEAN Centre for Biodiversity, and the Commission for Education and Communication of IUCN. While in Jakarta,

bilateral meetings were held with senior government officials and organizations, including the new Indonesia State Minister for the Environment, the head of the Keidanren Nature Conservation Fund, the Vice President of the Aichi Nagoya Chamber of Commerce, among others.

37. During the first week of December, the CBD Executive Secretary was in Washington, D.C. to attend a number of meetings. Bilateral discussions were held with the U.S. Assistant Secretary of State for Oceans and International Environmental and Scientific Affairs, on the COP 10 meeting, International Year of Biodiversity, and the Green Wave initiative, among other issues. A meeting with a number of senior U.S. officials dealing with biodiversity was also held to discuss the COP 10 and IYB, among other issues. The CBD Executive Secretary had an opportunity to meet with the President and CEO of RARE, and also participated in a meeting hosted by the CEO, with the participation of representatives of the civil society. The CBD Executive Secretary also attended the award ceremony of the children's competition, *See The Bigger Picture*, held in Washington, D.C. at the National Geographic headquarters. Eight winners were chosen from more than 2,500 entries from children in 99 countries. The photo competition was a joint initiative between Airbus, the National Geographic Society and the Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD), in support of the CBD's *The Green Wave* initiative.

38. During the second week of December, the CBD Executive Secretary was invited to make a briefing during a meeting of the Group of 77 and China, convened at the ambassadorial level, on the International Year of Biodiversity, in particular the high level event on biodiversity of the 65th session of the United Nations General Assembly. While in New York, the CBD Executive Secretary also met with: the Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs and the Director of DSD/CSD, the spokesperson of the regional groups including the representatives of Brazil, Germany, Japan and India in New York. Meetings were also held with the Permanent Representatives of Tunisia, India and Senegal, as well as with the Director of the Outreach Division in the U.N. Department of Public Information.

39. A delegation from the Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity participated in the UNFCCC COP 15, in Copenhagen, Denmark. The meeting, which gathered over 45,000 delegates, provided an opportunity for the Secretariat staff to participate in various events relevant to the work of the CBD, as well as meet and engage with relevant partner organizations and bodies. The CBD Executive Secretary attended "The United Nations Delivering as One on Climate Change", chaired by the United Nations Secretary General, on 16 December, as well as the working breakfast for the United Nations System: Role of the UN System in the global implementation of Climate Change Mitigation And Adaptation. Bilateral meetings were held with the Ministers of Environment from Uganda, Belgium, France, Canada, the Flemish and Quebec Governments, among others, and with senior staff from organizations, and with the TEEB Study Leader. Meetings were also held with the CBD COP President, and with the Executive Secretaries of the UNFCCC and UNCCD, and the CEO of the Global Environment Facility. The Secretariat was also one of the co-hosts of the third Forest Day on 13 December. A number of materials relating to biodiversity and climate change were prepared by the SCBD for COP 15, and the Secretariat was also engaged in a number of media related events during the meeting.

40. A number of media-related events took place during the last quarter of 2009. In October, while on mission in Tokyo, the CBD Executive Secretary was interviewed by a number of local media, including: *Yomiuri Shimbun*; *Sankei Shimbun*; *Asahi Shimbun*; *Maichi* Newspaper, *Mainichi* Newspaper. He took part in the press conference for the launch of the official logos of the Nagoya Biodiversity meetings and the International year of Biodiversity. A video interview was conducted by DFAIT during the preparatory meeting for the G8 Summit held in Montreal. In November, while in U.K., interviews were held with the *BBC Radio* and *The Guardian*. During his one-day visit to New York, the CBD Executive Secretary made a presentation on IYB, The Green Wave initiative, IBD and the UNGA high level event on biodiversity at the "Meet the Press" and was also interviewed by UN Radio. Other interviews include: *Nature News*, a Colombia national radio, *Sydney Morning Herald/The Age* news, as well as a phone interview for a research project on climate change. In the month of

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December, a video interview of the CBD Executive Secretary is featured in the Montreal International's *Montréal Monde* Winter 2009/2010 online issue. While in Copenhagen, a number of interviews took place with the following: *Japan Times*, *Reuters*, *Clear Skies TV*, *CNBC Arabia* and *TV Tunisia*. Other interviews in December include: *Gaiaipresse*, *Ingeniøren* and *CBC Radio Canada*. The CBD Executive Secretary is also one of the contributors in the November 2009 – Climate Change and Energy Insecurity: Stakeholder Forum.

IMPLEMENTATION OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE ARRANGEMENTS

A. Personnel Arrangements

41. During the period October-December 2009, there were 29 Professional staff members regularized on posts approved under the Convention. There was one vacant post. Additionally, 5 professional staff members are regularized on posts funded from other sources.

42. Under the Convention, there were 22 General Service staff members regularized on posts funded by the core budget. There was one (1) vacant post. Additionally, 10 staff members are regularized on posts funded from other sources, 3 of which were formerly funded from the core budget. One post is vacant.

43. During the period under review for the Biosafety Protocol, there were 7 Professional staff members regularized on posts approved by the COP/MOP. There were 4 General Service staff members regularized on posts funded by the core budget.

44. For more information, please refer to the attached staff list and organigram (Annex II Appendix 1, and Annex III respectively).

B. Financial Arrangements

45. With regard to budgetary matters, as at 31 December 2009, of the total pledged contributions of US\$10,506,136 for 2009 to the General Trust Fund for the Convention on Biological Diversity (BY Trust Fund), the total contributions received amounted to US\$11,758,836 of which \$2,045,707 were 2009 pledges paid in 2008, and \$9,713,129 were pledges paid in 2009 for 2009 and future years. Details of the BY Trust Fund are contained in Annex VI.

46. Several Parties have contributed additional voluntary funds in support of approved activities under the Convention (BE Trust Fund). As of 31 December 2009, the total pledged for 2009 amounts to US\$6,119,581 of which \$4,943,404 has been received. Total unpaid pledges for 2009 and prior years to the BE Trust Fund is US\$1,429,366. Details of the BE Trust Fund are contained in Annex IV.

47. As at 31 December 2009, US\$875,669 has been pledged in 2009 as additional voluntary contributions to facilitate the participation of Parties to the Convention Process (BZ Trust Fund). To date, US\$740,607 has been received. Total unpaid pledges for 2009 and prior years, to the BZ Trust Fund, amount to US\$257,408. Details of the BZ Trust Fund are contained in Annex V.

48. As at 31 December 2009, of the total pledged contributions of US\$1,959,191 for 2009 to the General Trust Fund for the Core Programme Budget for the Biosafety Protocol (BG Trust Fund), total contributions received is US\$2,491,566, of which US\$831,158 was received in advance of 2009 and US\$1,660,408 has been received in 2009 for 2009 and future years. Details of the BG Trust Fund are contained in Annex VII.

49. As at 31 December 2009, eight Parties have pledged and/or contributed to the Special Voluntary Trust Fund for Additional Voluntary Contributions in support of Approved Activities of the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety, (BH Trust Fund). To date US\$415,835 has been received in 2009 for 2009 and future years. Details of the BH Trust Fund are contained in Annex VIII.

50. As at 31 December 2009, one Party has pledged and/or contributed to the Special Voluntary Trust Fund for Facilitating Participation of Developing Country Parties in the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety, (BI Trust Fund). To date US\$31,065 has been received in 2009 for 2009 and future years. Details of the BI Trust Fund are contained in Annex IX.

51. As at 31 December 2009, three pledges have been received for the General Trust Fund for Voluntary Contributions to Facilitate the Participation of Indigenous and Local Communities in the Work of the Convention on Biological Diversity (VB Trust Fund) in 2009. Norway pledged contribution of NOK 250,000, Denmark pledged contribution of DKK 600,000 and Spain pledged contribution of EUR 140,000 have been received. Details of the VB Trust Fund are contained in Annex X.

II. IMPLEMENTATION OF THE DECISIONS OF THE CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES

SCIENTIFIC, TECHNICAL AND TECHNOLOGICAL MATTERS

Decision VII/27: Mountain Biological Diversity

52. In response to decision VII/27, the Secretariat:

a. Interacted extensively with the Global Mountain Biodiversity Assessment, Mountain Partnership and the Mountain Forum Secretariats, the International Centre for Integrated Mountain Development (ICIMOD), Mountain Research Initiative, other relevant organizations, experts and other related Conventions for preparing the in-depth review of the implementation of the programme of work on mountain biological diversity by SBSTTA-14 and COP-10;

b. Contributed to the Secretary General's report on sustainable mountain development for the 64th session of General Assembly; and

c. Finalized the background document on the in-depth review of the implementation of the programme of work on mountain biological diversity (UNEP/SBSTTA/14/2) for consideration of SBSTTA-14, taking into account the comments received on the draft from the peer review.

Decisions VIII/3 and IX/22: Global Taxonomy Initiative

53. In response to decisions VIII/3 and IX/22, the Secretariat:

a) Participated in the ASEAN Conference on Biodiversity (ACB2009) to advance the GTI regional project development for the East and South East Asia Biodiversity Information Initiative supported by Japan;

b) Organised a workshop on Project Planning and Grant Proposal Writing in collaboration with the Consortium for Barcode of Life at the *Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México* in Mexico City, Mexico, 7 November 2009;

c) Participated in a symposium on Barcoding of Life: Society and Technology Dynamics - Global and National Perspectives, organised by International Development Centre of Canada at the *Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México* in Mexico City, Mexico, 9 November 2009;

d) Organised a project development seminar supported by Spain for the African region with particular interests on invasive alien species management in protected areas at the National Museum of Kenya in Nairobi, Kenya, 16-18 November 2009;

e) Participated in the Asia-Pacific Biodiversity Observation Network meeting and Inter Governmental meeting for East and Southeast Asia Biodiversity Information Initiative (ESABII) to discuss on biodiversity monitoring capacity in the region and to finalise the strategic plan for ESABII in the duration of 2010-12 at United Nations University in Tokyo, 10-14 December 2009; and

f) Posted for peer-review from 5 December to 20 December 2009 a draft of UNEP/CBD/SBSTTA/14/15 on results and lessons learned from regional taxonomic needs assessments and identification of priorities.

Decision IX/1: Agricultural Biodiversity

54. In response to this decision, the Secretariat:

a) Drafted document UNEP/CBD/SBSTTA/14/11 on progress in relation to this decision and other matters;

b) Finalised and signed the Joint Work Plan between the Secretariat and the Secretariat of the Commission on Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture;

c) Prepared a draft information document on sustainable use and agricultural biodiversity for SBSTTA 14, the main conclusions of which are incorporated into document UNEP/CBD/SBSTTA/14/7 on the in-depth review of sustainable use;

d) Posted responses to notification 2008-130 at <http://www.cbd.int/agro/responses.shtml>.

e) Participated in the Policy Seminar on the International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture: Global Challenges and Future Direction held in Bari, Italy, held 15-18 December 2009, organized by the Government of Italy, with support from the ITPGR. Elements building on the MOC with the Commission on Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture developed in the framework of the MOU with FAO were discussed.

f) Participated in the Asia-Pacific Regional Workshop on the International Satoyama Initiative Concept from 1-3 October 2009, organized by the Government of Japan in Penang, Malaysia to discuss the Satoyama Initiative concept. The use of Satoyama as a tool for the implementation of the CBD and benefit to the Millennium Development Goals was presented and discussed.

Decision IX/2: Agricultural Biodiversity: Biofuels and Biodiversity

55. In response to decision IX/2, the Secretariat:

a) Drafted, circulated and finalized the report of the regional workshop for Latin America and the Caribbean on ways and means to promote the sustainable production and use of biofuels, held from 28 to 30 September 2009 in Louveira, São Paulo, Brazil;

b) Organized and serviced the regional workshop for Asia and the Pacific on ways and means to promote the sustainable production and use of biofuels, held from 25 to 27 November 2009 in Bangkok, Thailand, and drafted circulated and finalised the workshop report;

c) Finalized the funding agreement with Germany for the regional biofuels workshop for Africa;

d) Organized and serviced the regional workshop for Africa on ways and means to promote the sustainable production and use of biofuels, held from 8 to 10 December 2009 in Accra, Ghana;

e) Posted additional information on biofuels and biodiversity, including references to the submissions received, on the CBD website; and

f) Prepared document UNEP/CBD/SBSTTA/14/12 on “Agricultural biodiversity - biofuels and biodiversity: consideration of ways and means to promote the positive and minimize the negative impacts of the production and use of biofuels on biodiversity”.

Decisions IX/3, VII/10 and VII/31: Global Strategy for Plant Conservation

56. In response to these decisions, the Secretariat:

a) Serviced a range of regional consultations and meetings and collected review comments on the draft updated Global Strategy for Plant Conservation 2011-2020;

b) Made the draft updated Global Strategy for Plant Conservation 2011-2020 available on the website for review of documents for SBSTTA-14; and

c) Prepared a drafting meeting to complete the draft updated Global Strategy for Plant Conservation 2011-2020, to be held from 21 to 22 January 2010 at the Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew.

Decision IX/4: Invasive Alien Species

57. In response to decision XI/4, the Secretariat:

a) Organised a joint secretariat meeting with the International Plant Protection Convention on 1 December 2009 at the Secretariat of the CBD to discuss further collaboration between the two Secretariats on the issues of invasive alien species and the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety;

b) Participated in the meeting of the CBD-IPPC-IATA-ICAO on invasive alien species on 2 December 2009 at the Secretariat of ICAO in Montreal, in response to decision IX/4 A paragraph 11; and

c) Prepared document UNEP/CBD/SBSTTA/14/16 on further work on gaps and inconsistencies in the international regulatory framework on invasive alien species, particularly species introduced as pets, aquarium and terrarium species, as live bait and live food, and best practices for addressing the risks associated with their introduction.

Decisions IX/5 and VIII/19: Forest Biodiversity

58. In response to decisions IX/5 and VIII/19, the Secretariat carried out the following activities:

a) Convened the first meeting of the Liaison Group on Bushmeat, from 15-17 October 2009 in Buenos Aires, Argentina, with the generous financial support from the European Commission, the Government of Spain and in collaboration with the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO), the Centre for International Forestry Research (CIFOR) and the International Council for Game and Wildlife Conservation (CIC). The Liaison Group adopted a set of policy recommendations for the national and international level to improve the conservation and sustainable use of wildlife-based resources;

b) Participated in the World Forestry Congress (18-23 October 2009, Buenos Aires, Argentina), and

- i. provided support to the development of COP Presidency statement at the Congress opening ceremony;
- ii. submitted the results of the first meeting and a statement from the Bushmeat Liaison Group to the World Forestry Congress;

- iii. participated in events of three key partners: the International Model Forest Network (on 19 October, about the links between IMFN and biodiversity, and further collaboration), the GEF Secretariat (on 20 October, presenting the results of the GEF 5 Strategy on Sustainable Forest Management (SFM), on behalf of the GEF Technical Advisory Group on SFM); and the Food and Agriculture Organization (on 22 October, about the dry- and sub-humid lands programme of work of the CBD and implementation at national level);
 - c) Attended meetings of the Forest Resources Assessment (FRA 2010) Advisory Group on 22 October 2009 and the Steering Committee of the Global Forest Expert Panel (GFEP) on 23 October 2009, both in Buenos Aires, Argentina;
 - d) On 22 October 2009, launched the CBD Technical Series no. 43 'Forest Resilience, Biodiversity, and Climate Change – A synthesis of the Biodiversity/Resilience/Stability Relationship in Forest Ecosystems', in response to decision IX/5 3(f);
 - e) Published, in November 2009, the seventh volume of the 'REDD & Biodiversity e-Newsletter' on linkages between efforts for reducing emissions from deforestation and forest degradation, and benefits to biodiversity and indigenous and local communities;
 - f) Posted for peer-review from 20 November to 20 December 2009 a draft of UNEP/CBD/SBSTTA/14/14 on collaboration between the CBD and United Nations Forum on Forests (UNFF) Secretariats, and between the CBD Secretariat and the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations;
 - g) Co-hosted 'Forest Day 3', a joint initiative of the Collaborative Partnership on Forests (CPF), during the fifteenth meeting of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change, on 13 December 2009 in Copenhagen, which was attended by around 1600 participants, and organized a 'Learning Event' as part of 'Forest Day 3' on the linkages between forest biodiversity and climate change;
 - h) Published, jointly with IUCN, a 'Good Practice Guide on Sustainable Forest Management: Biodiversity and Livelihoods', which lists examples for the contributions of sustainable forest management (SFM) to the achievement of the goals and targets of the CBD programme of work on forest biodiversity;
 - i) Published, jointly with the German Development Cooperation (GTZ), a brochure on 'REDD Benefits: Biodiversity and Livelihoods' for dissemination at the fifteenth meeting of the Parties to the UNFCCC, 7-18 December 2009 in Copenhagen; and
 - j) Participated in the 'Meeting for Promoting North-South, South-South and Triangular Cooperation for Sustainable Forest Management', 19-20 December 2009 at the Secretariat of International Tropical Timber Organisation (ITTO) in Yokohama, Japan, which was convened by the United Nations Forum on Forests (UNFF) and ITTO.

Decision IX/9: Process for the revision of the Strategic Plan

59. In response to decision IX/9, the Secretariat:

- a) Serviced the regional consultation for Africa on the draft updated Strategic Plan of the Convention (Cairo, 11-12 December 2009); and
- b) Prepared a draft of document UNEP/CBD/SBSTTA/14/10 on "Examination of the outcome-oriented goals and targets, and associated indicators, and consideration of their possible adjustments for the period beyond 2010" and made it available for peer review at <http://www.cbd.int/sbstta14/review>.

Decision IX/10: Preparation of the Third Edition of the Global Biodiversity Outlook

60. In response to decision IX/10, the Secretariat:

a) Completed the draft synthesis of the third edition of the Global Biodiversity Outlook (GBO-3) and invited Parties and other stakeholders to peer review the report (<http://www.cbd.int/gbo3review> and <http://www.cbd.int/sbstta14/review>);

b) Organized a meeting of the GBO-3 Advisory Group to carry out a scientific review of the synthesis of GBO-3 (Montreal, 4-5 November 2009);

c) Presented the outcomes of the GBO-3 Advisory Group/scientific review panel meeting to the SBSTTA Bureau meeting (Montreal, 6 November 2009);

d) Continued compiling/analysing comments received as part of the peer review process of Global Biodiversity Outlook 3;

e) Began revising the draft of synthesis of Global Biodiversity Outlook 3 in light of the comments received;

f) Sent reminders about the deadline for the peer review and encouraged Parties and stakeholders to participate in the process (1095 downloads of the extended version and 381 of the synthesis as of 5 January 2010);

g) Continued to analyse fourth national reports with regard to information and data relevant to GBO-3 and added case study information to the case studies database;

h) Continued to gather published scientific information for possible use in the Global Biodiversity Outlook 3;

i) Began working with the supplier for preparation of the design and layout of the GBO-3;

j) Tested the utilization of translators for the adaptation of the GBO-3 into the other five official languages of the United Nations;

k) Continued to liaise with UNEP-WCMC to ensure that the latest scientific information is being made available for the GBO-3; and

l) Continued to update the web pages on GBO-3.

Decision IX/15: Follow-up to the Millennium Ecosystem Assessment

61. In response to decision IX/15, the Secretariat:

a) Participated in a teleconference on the follow-up to the Millennium Ecosystem Assessment (8 December 2009) focusing on sub-global assessments;

b) Participated in a teleconference of the Group on Earth Observations - Biodiversity Observation Network (GEO-BON) Steering Committee with reports from the GEO-BON Working Groups; and

c) Reviewed the draft report 'Mainstreaming Ecosystem Goods and Services in International Policies', prepared by the Netherlands Environment Assessment Agency and the International Institute for Sustainable Development (IISD) and participated in a teleconference to guide finalization of the report (19 October 2009).

Decision IX/16: Biodiversity and Climate Change

62. In response to decision IX/16, the Secretariat:

a) In relation to UNFCCC COP15, 7-18 December 2009 in Copenhagen, the Secretariat:

- i. Prepared a number of information materials relating to biodiversity and climate change that were made available on the CBD webpage dedicated to the UNFCCC COP15 (<http://www.cbd.int/climate/copenhagen/>) at the start of the conference and maintained throughout the meeting to ensure timely access to material released by the SCBD during COP15;
 - ii. At a side event, the co-chairs and experts of the Ad Hoc Technical Expert Group on Biodiversity and Climate Change presented key messages of the AHTEG report on Connecting Biodiversity and Climate Change: Adaptation and Mitigation (CBD Technical Series 41);
 - iii. Co-hosted 'Forest Day 3', on 13 December 2009, a day to discuss issues related to the conservation and sustainable use of forest biodiversity, sustainable forest management, and climate change. Forest Day 3 was joint effort of the Collaborative Partnership on Forests (CPF);
 - iv. Prepared an article on ecosystem-based adaptation entitled "Ecosystems vital to climate adaptation" which appeared in the Stakeholder Forum 'Outreach' newsletter, available at: http://stakeholderforum.org/fileadmin/files/Outreach_issues_2009/091216-outreach-color.pdf), which was distributed on 16 December 2009; and
 - v. By means of an exhibition booth, which was shared with the UNCCD Secretariat, disseminated CBD information material related to the linkages between climate change and biodiversity, notably CBD Technical Series 41, 42, 43 and 46, as well as information material on the International Year of Biodiversity.
- b) In consultation with the UNFCCC Secretariat, made two interventions on behalf of the CBD to the UNFCCC SBSTA 31. The interventions under the Nairobi work programme and REDD items are available at <http://www.cbd.int/climate/copenhagen/>; and
- c) Prepared for SBSTTA 14 documents on: (i) the in depth review of the cross-cutting issue on biodiversity; (ii) climate change and the integration of climate change impacts and response activities within the programme of work on the biodiversity of dry and sub-humid lands; and (iii) compilation of views from Parties on ways to integrate biodiversity considerations in climate change related activities; incorporating comments received through peer review.

Decision IX/17: Biodiversity of Dry and Sub-humid Lands

63. In response to decision IX/17, the Secretariat:
- a) Developed a toolkit - *Pastoralism, Nature Conservation and Development* - that demonstrates the link between biodiversity protection and sustainable land management;
 - b) Prepared a draft of the document on proposals on management options for drought and biodiversity within dry and sub-humid lands; it was transmitted for peer review and comments to the International Strategy for Disaster Reduction, the UNCCD and United Nations Development Programme; and
 - c) Prepared two pre-session documents to be considered by SBSTTA 14, which were made available for peer-review: (i) Integration of climate change impact and response activities within the programme of work on the biodiversity of dry and sub-humid lands; and (ii) Biodiversity of Dry and Sub-humid Lands: Follow-Up to Requests of the Conference of the Parties in Decision IX/17.

Decisions IX/18, VII/28 and VIII/24: Protected Areas

64. In response to these decisions, the Secretariat:
- a) In pursuance of paragraphs 15 and 25 (a) of decision IX/18, the Secretariat organized regional capacity building and review workshops on the PoWPA in Asia and Pacific, Africa, Latin America and

Caribbean and Central and Eastern Europe regions in the last quarter of 2009. About 100 countries participated in these four regional workshops covering 15 sub-regions. A significant number of newly designated PoWPA Focal Points, following paragraph 20 of decision IX/18, met face to face with each other and forged PoWPA FP regional and sub-regional networks. Outcomes of the workshops included *inter alia*: capacity-building on how to integrate protected areas into wider land and seascapes and sectors and the potential of land and seascape approaches for addressing climate change adaptation and mitigation issues; heightened awareness on various protected area governance types and exploration of innovative governance systems in different regions; 100 reporting frameworks indicating the status of implementation of PoWPA at regional and sub-regional levels; and increased awareness about PA values and benefits;

b) Developed a demonstration of a user-friendly and comprehensive website on protected areas and a framework for streamlined reporting process of on the implementation of the PoWPA; and

c) Finalized the background documents on the in-depth review of the implementation of the programme of work on protected areas (UNEP/CBD/SBSTTA/14/5 and UNEP/CBD/SBSTTA 14/5/Add.1) for consideration of SBSTTA-14, taking into account the comments received on the draft from the peer review.

Decisions IX/19, VII/4 and VIII/20: Biological Diversity of Inland Waters

65. In response to these decisions, the Secretariat:

a) Drafted document UNEP/CBD/SBSTTA/14/3 on the in-depth review of the programme of work, taking into account comments from a peer review process (23 November to 20 December);

b) Drafted a policy brief on climate change and water in collaboration with the UN-Water Task Force on Climate Change;

c) Drafted a chapter on water for the EMG report on “Biodiversity in the UN system: a UN system-wide contribution to the post 2010 Biodiversity Agenda”;

d) Drafted for the CBD Technical Series a document on Water, Wetlands and Forests: A review of ecological, economic and policy linkages;

e) Prepared a message to the Government of Seychelles for the forthcoming World Wetlands Day celebrations (22 Feb 2010);

f) Held discussions at the Secretariat with representatives of the Japan Water Forum regarding their inputs into COP-10;

g) Organised a half-day seminar for graduate students from McGill University on impact assessment and IWRM;

h) Posted responses to Notification 2008-18 (voluntary reports for the in-depth review) at <http://www.cbd.int/waters/responses.shtml>; and

i) Participated in the expert meeting on post 2010 targets at indicators for inland waters/wetlands at UNEP-WCMC in Cambridge, United Kingdom (19-22 October 2009).

Decision IX/20: Marine and Coastal Biological Diversity

66. In response to decision IX/20, the Secretariat:

a) Reviewed the final report submitted by a consultant on compiling relevant scientific information on unsustainable fishing and illegal, unreported and unregulated (IUU) fishing on marine biodiversity and habitats (paragraph 2 of decision IX/20);

b) Attended the 31st Consultative Meeting of the Contracting Parties to the London Convention and the 4th Meeting of the Contracting Parties to the London Protocol (IMO Headquarters, London, from 26-30 October 2010), providing necessary technical inputs, collecting information and collaborating with relevant organizations and partners;

a) Finalized the draft report, submitted by UNEP-WCMC, on compiling and synthesizing relevant scientific information on potential impacts of direct human-induced ocean fertilization on marine biodiversity for publication in CBD Technical Series 45 (paragraph 3 of decision IX/20);

b) Finalized the draft report, submitted by UNEP-WCMC, on compiling and synthesizing relevant scientific information on potential impacts of ocean acidification on marine biodiversity for publication in CBD Technical Series 46. The final report was launched on 14 December 2009 on occasion of the Oceans Day of the Copenhagen Climate Change Conference and received world-wide media attention (paragraph 4 of decision IX/20);

c) Organised the Expert Workshop on scientific and technical aspects relevant to environmental impact assessment in marine areas beyond national jurisdiction, held in Manila, Philippines, on 18-20 November 2009 (paragraph 10 of decision IX/20);

d) Serviced the Expert Workshop on scientific and technical guidance on the use of biogeographic classification systems and identification of marine areas beyond national jurisdiction in need of protection, held in Ottawa, Canada, on 29 September-2 October, 2009;

e) Finalized the document UNEP/CBD/SBSTTA/14/4 on the "In-depth review of the implementation of the programme of work on marine and coastal biological diversity", incorporating comments submitted by Parties and organizations from the peer-review;

f) Reviewed the revised draft report submitted by a consultant on compiling and synthesizing background information for the in-depth review of progress made in the implementation, which incorporated comments from Parties and organizations from the peer-review;

g) Prepared an initial draft of a good practice toolkit on sustainable fisheries, in collaboration with experts of FAO, UNEP, IUCN, International Collective in Support of Fishworkers (ICSF), and other relevant experts;

h) Participated at the 11th Global Meeting of Regional Seas Conventions and Action Plans, held in Bangkok, Thailand, on 5-8 October 2009, providing presentations on the progress made in the implementation of the programme of work on marine and coastal biological diversity, as well as the possible collaboration for SBSTTA 14 and COP 10 meetings;

i) Participated at the first meeting of the Expert Panel on the State and Trends of Biodiversity Science in Canada of the Council of Canadian Academies held in Ottawa, Canada on 2-3 November 2009;

j) Gave presentation on 12 November 2009 on the implementation of the programme of work on marine and coastal biodiversity to the graduate students of McGill University during their visit to the Secretariat office; and

k) Participated in the East Asian Seas Congress 2009 (Manila, Philippines, 23-27 November 2009) and the Special Meeting of the EAS Partnership Council Meeting (25 November), at which the Secretariat signed an MOU for cooperation with the Partnerships in Environmental Management for the Seas of East Asia (PEMSEA), an intergovernmental regional coordinating mechanism established in 2006 for the implementation of the Sustainable Development Strategy for the Seas of East Asia (SDS-SEA).

Decision IX/27: Cooperation among Multilateral Environmental Agreements and other Organizations

67. In response to decision IX/27 the Secretariat:

- a) Participated in the meeting of the Environment Management Group (EMG) on the post 2010 targets (Rome, 10-11 November 2009);
- b) Drafted sections of the EMG report on “Biodiversity in the UN system: a UN system-wide contribution to the post 2010 Biodiversity Agenda”;
- c) Prepared a meeting of the Biodiversity Liaison Group and Chairs of Scientific Advisory Bodies to be held on the margins of the High-level Event on the International Year of Biodiversity at UNESCO (20 January 2010);
- d) Held a meeting with the Ramsar Secretariat regarding inputs into the in-depth review of programmes of work and reporting on the joint work plan and its updating; and
- e) Engaged in ongoing collaboration with UNEP and UNESCO in preparation for the Conference on Biodiversity and Culture to be held in June 2010.

Decision IX/29: Operations of the Convention

68. In accordance with the provisions on the process for identifying new and emerging issues relating to the conservation and sustainable use of biological diversity, the Secretariat:

- a) Updated the webpage on emerging issues by adding the new proposals received in response to the Notification 2008-159 at <http://www.cbd.int/convention/emerging.shtml>;
- b) Prepared and dispatched Notification 2009-159 requesting submission of views and information on the proposals for new and emerging issues relating to the conservation and sustainable use of biodiversity; and
- c) Prepared a draft of document UNEP/CBD/SBSTTA/14/18 on “New and emerging issues”.

SOCIAL ECONOMIC AND LEGAL MATTERS
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Decision IX/6: Incentive measures

69. As requested in paragraph 6 of decision IX/6, the Secretariat convened and serviced the international expert workshop on the removal and mitigation of perverse, and the promotion of positive, incentive measures, including the finalization of travel and funding arrangements for eligible participants, the organizational arrangements with the host, servicing the work of the group in Paris, and the preparation of the final report. The meeting took place on 6-8 October 2009 in Paris, France, with financial support by the Government of Spain. Hosted by the Division for Technology, Industry and Economics (DTIE) of the United Nations Environment Programme, the meeting brought together 25 government-nominated experts as well as representatives of relevant organizations and initiatives. The meeting exchanged and analyzed relevant information and identified a number of lessons learnt as well as a limited number of good practice cases from different regions, for further consideration by the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice at its fourteenth meeting.

70. The Secretariat participated in the workshop on biotrade and incentive measures organized by the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD) held from 22-25 November 2009 in Geneva, Switzerland. The workshop responded to an invitation, expressed by COP in paragraph 15 of decision IX/6, to undertake further research on positive incentive measures. The Secretariat informed participants on work undertaken on incentive measures under the Convention, including the recent

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decisions of the COP on incentive measures, and summarized discussions held so far under the Convention, in particular on the linkages to international trade and the World Trade Organization.

71. The Secretariat participated in the International Workshop on the Classification of Ecosystem Services and the special meeting on accounting for ecosystem capital degradation and depreciation, held from 2-4 December 2009 by the European Environment Agency in Copenhagen, Denmark. The workshop reviewed the draft Common International Classification of Ecosystem Services (CICES) developed under the work programme adopted by a first expert meeting on the topic in December 2008, and also reviewed a draft EEA proposal for implementing simplified ecosystem capital accounts, for further discussions under the ongoing process of revision of SEEA scheduled to be finalized in 2013. The Secretariat provided CBD views and technical advice on the draft ecosystem services classification for the integration of ecosystem services into the System of Integrated Economic and Environmental Accounts (SEEA), as well as the and draft system for ecosystem capital degradation and depreciation.

Decision IX/14: Technology transfer and cooperation

72. The Secretariat finalized the documentation on the Biodiversity Technology Initiative requested in paragraph 6 of decision IX/4. The document will be reviewed by the third meeting of the Working Group on Review of Implementation of the Convention and considered further by the Conference of the Parties at its tenth meeting.

Decision IX/12: Access to genetic resources and benefit-sharing

73. During this period, the following activities were carried out in accordance with COP decision IX/12 on access and benefit-sharing:

74. The Secretariat finalized preparations and serviced the eighth meeting of the *Ad hoc* Open-ended Working Group on ABS as well as the sixth meeting of the *Ad hoc* Open-ended Working Group on Article 8(j), held back to back in Montreal, respectively from 2-6 November and from 9 to 15 November 2009, including:

- logistical arrangements
- finalization of documentation
- logistical arrangements for regional consultations and open-ended consultations prior to the meeting of the WG-ABS
- assisting the Co-Chairs of the Working Group on ABS
- preparation of in-session documentation
- participation in Bureau meetings

75. The Secretariat also collaborated in the organization and participated in the ABS Business and Science Dialogue organized by UNU Institute of Advanced Studies in conjunction with the Third Business and the 2010 Biodiversity Challenge Conference, held in Jakarta, Indonesia, on 2-3 December 2009.

76. The Secretariat participated in the Steering Committee of the ABS Initiative for Capacity development in Africa, held on 5 December 2009 as well as the fourth Pan-African ABS Capacity development workshop held from 6 to 10 December in Cairo, Egypt.

77. The Secretariat participated in the regional consultations for Asia, hosted by the Government of Cambodia, from 4 to 6 December 2009, in Siem Reap, Cambodia with a view to support the finalization of the International Regime on ABS.

78. The Secretariat participated in the meeting of the WIPO Intergovernmental Committee on Intellectual Property, Genetic Resources, Traditional Knowledge and Folklore held in Geneva, Switzerland, from 6 to 10 December 2009.

Decision IX/13: Article 8 (j) and Related Provisions

79. Pursuant to decisions VII/16, Annex E, paragraph 26; IX/13, D; IX/13 E, paragraph 7 and VII/5 C, paragraph 6 c requesting capacity building for indigenous and local communities to ensure their effective participation in the Convention processes, the Secretariat organized a capacity-building workshop for the Latin American and Caribbean indigenous and local community in the eve of the sixth meeting of the Working Group on Article 8(j).

80. The workshop for indigenous and local community representatives from the Latin American and Caribbean region, on effective participation in the convention processes with a focus on Article 8(j) and Article 15 (ABS), took place in Montreal from 29 to 31 October 2009. It was organized by the Secretariat in collaboration with the Indigenous Women's Biodiversity Network (IWBN) for the LAC region and with the generous financial support of the Government of Spain.

81. The main objective was to enhance the capacity of the indigenous and local community representatives to effectively participate in the Convention process. The ABS meeting was particularly important for them because of their interest in the negotiation of the International Regime on access and benefit-sharing.

82. In addition, the Workshop provided an opportunity to exchange relevant national and regional experiences within the Latin America and the Caribbean region. By seeing how others had addressed similar challenges, indigenous and local communities could learn new approaches, which could potentially become best practices. A total of 22 indigenous and local community representatives (19 women and 3 men) participated in the workshop. Participants were also funded to participate in the sixth meeting of the Working Group on Article 8(j), to enable them to put their training to immediate use.

83. Based on a survey completed by the participants at the end of the workshop, the major outputs of this workshop identified were awareness raising and capacity building, which directly assisted the participants in understanding the Convention processes.

84. In December, the Secretariat invited Indigenous communities to nominate participants to the "Latin American and Caribbean Indigenous and Local Community Capacity Building Workshop on the Convention on Biological Diversity including issues relevant to Article 8(j) Traditional Knowledge & Access and Benefit-sharing" for the Southern Cone Region which will be held in Buenos Aires, Argentina on 4-6 February 2010. The meeting is also organized by the Secretariat in collaboration with the Indigenous Women's Biodiversity Network (IWBN) for the LAC region and with the generous financial support of the Government of Spain.

85. The third workshop of the series on indigenous tourism, biodiversity and new web-based technologies, was postponed to mid-2010. The Secretariat received more than 30 applications from Latin American and Caribbean Indigenous and Local Communities and selected 11 participants. The Secretariat is still working to establish its future venue and date.

Decision VIII/14: Biological diversity and tourism

86. The Secretariat was represented at the Global Eco Conference, in Alice Springs, Australia, from November 9 to 11, 2010. Ecotourism Australia's annual event brought together an international delegation of over 220 Asia-Pacific leaders in sustainability, to discuss the latest issues and opportunities across sustainability, ecotourism, tourism in protected areas and climate change response. The Secretariat contributed a presentation on tourism concessions in protected areas (in preparation for a publication on this theme to be launched at COP 10), and participated in panels discussing indigenous tourism.

87. Following Notification 2009-114 which invited Parties from the Latin American and the Caribbean (LAC) region to nominate participants to the third workshop of the series on indigenous tourism, biodiversity and new web-based technologies, with a focus on LAC forest ecosystems, the CBD selection committee has received nominations of indigenous and local communities' representatives from 13 countries of the LAC region. The workshop will take place at the beginning of 2010 (dates and venue to be confirmed). As for the first and second workshops, the LAC workshop aims to support the management of biodiversity-friendly tourism activities, the web-based capacity of indigenous tourism operators, and the marketing of the culturally and biologically sustainable aspects of indigenous tourism products.

88. Applications to the Indigenous Tourism and Biodiversity Website Award- Second Version – 2010, were received in November and December 2009. Planeta.com and the Secretariat (in collaboration with the Heidehof Foundation) have received 15 applications from 10 countries (Australia, Bolivia, Canada, Kyrgyzstan, Laos, Mexico, Micronesia, New Zealand, Pakistan and Sweden). The public is invited to vote online for their favourites. The winners will be announced in April 2010 at a major trade fair on sustainable tourism in Germany. The award is aimed at private tourism services, owned and operated by indigenous people and/or traditional communities, and its main objectives are: to motivate candidates to improve their online communication on biological and cultural diversity; to highlight their best practices in managing tourism in a biodiversity-friendly way and raise tourism operators and public's awareness on biodiversity.

Decision IX/28: Promoting engagement of cities and local authorities

89. On 9 September 2009, the Secretariat organized a teleconference of the Global Partnership on Cities and Biodiversity, in which 19 participants took part. The meeting discussed the testing phase of the Singapore Index on Cities' Biodiversity (CBI) and its User's Manual, and the development of the Global Partnership. It also provided an opportunity for the participants to share important updates on workshops/conferences to be held back to back in June/July 2010 in Singapore, ICLEI's initiative on Local Action for Biodiversity (ICLEI/LAB), The Economics of Ecosystems and Biodiversity (TEEB-D2) report, the upcoming Curitiba meeting of the Global Partnership (6-7 January 2010), the preparations for the City Biodiversity Summit (tentative name) in Nagoya, URBIO2010, the Urban Biosphere Network (URBIS) initiative, the 5th World Urban Forum, and so on. Another teleconference call took place on 23 November. The meeting mainly discussed preparations for the upcoming Second Curitiba Meeting on Cities and Biodiversity (6-7 January 2010), as well as other topics such as the CBD Plan of Action, the publications on local biodiversity, and updates on the Singapore Index on Cities' Biodiversity, ICLEI/LAB initiative, City Biodiversity Summit (tentative name), URBIS by UNESCO and the 5th World Urban Forum by UN-HABITAT.

90. On 25 September, a representative of the Secretariat met with the city government of Curitiba to review the agenda and programme for the meeting of the Global partnership on Cities and Biodiversity on 6-7 January 2010, and to prepare the invitation process for the event.

91. The Secretariat and the Global Partnership continued to coordinate their efforts in view of developing of a draft plan of action on urban biodiversity for the period 2011-2020. The general objective of the plan is to provide guidance and assist Parties in actively engaging cities and local authorities in the implementation of the three objectives of the Convention, and in particular during the implementation phase of the new strategic plan of the Convention and Nagoya post 2010 biodiversity targets. The plan of action will be submitted by Brazil to COP10.

Decision IX/25: South-South cooperation on biodiversity for development

92. In partnership with the Chairman of the G-77 and its Executive Secretary, the Executive Secretary of the Convention on Biological Diversity convened the first meeting of the Steering Committee for South-South Cooperation on Biodiversity for development, on 29 October 2009, in Montreal.

93. The three main objectives of the meeting were: to review the draft multi-year plan of action prepared by the Secretariat; to outline a roadmap for the further development of the Multi-Year Plan of Action for (i) its presentation at the South-South Forum to be organized on 18 October 2010, on the margins of the tenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention (COP-10); and (ii) for its submission as part of the Executive Secretary's report to the tenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties under the agenda item on cooperation with other conventions and other organizations; and to prepare the organization of a further consultative expert meeting to be held in Kampala, from 31 May to 2 June 2010, at the invitation of Hon. Jesca Eriyo, Minister of State for Environment of Uganda.

94. The Steering Committee meeting was attended by eight participants representing Algeria, Antigua and Barbuda, Grenada, Malawi, Philippines, South Africa, and Yemen, as well as staff of the Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity. Participants elected Chairman Elect of the G-77, H.E. Mr. Abdullah M. Alsaïdi of Yemen, and Professor James Seyani, a Vice-President of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention and Malawi national focal point for the Convention, as Co-Chairs. This meeting, as well as the previous brainstorming and expert meetings, was convened with financial support from the Global Environment Facility (GEF).

OUTREACH AND MAJOR GROUPS

Children and Youth / Non-governmental organizations

95. On 4 December, the Executive Secretary participated in the awards ceremony of the children's international biodiversity photography competition that was organized as part of Airbus' support for The Green Wave in collaboration with National Geographic and the CBD Secretariat.

96. The event was held at the headquarters of National Geographic in Washington, D.C., where the eight winning entrants received a certificate presented by the Executive Secretary and a signed photograph by National Geographic photographer, Joel Sartore. Held between July and September 2009, the competition encouraged young people to engage in nature and consider the global loss of biodiversity. The eight winning photos were chosen from more than 2,500 entries from children in 99 countries and a further 20 young people were given honourable mention for their impressive entries. The ceremony was attended by ambassadors of the winners' countries and high-profile figures from Airbus, National Geographic, the CBD and related groups.

Decision IX/26: Promoting Business Engagement

97. The Secretariat convened a three-day Third Biodiversity and Business 2010 Challenge Conference in Jakarta, Indonesia from 30 November to 2 December 2009 which generated immense interest among the participants as more than 500 organizations approached the Secretariat creating a very valuable and enormous network for the CBD. More than 200 companies, non-governmental organizations and Governments from all over the world gathered in Jakarta at this conference recognizing that business related to biological diversity can be a profitable activity besides ensuring sustainability of economic activities. The presentation of the TEEB report at the conference was helpful in increasing the understanding of the participants on the economic value of the ecosystem services.

98. The conference resulted in two major outputs: the adoption of the Jakarta Charter on Business and Biodiversity while providing useful comments for a Strategy to Advance the 2020 Business and Biodiversity Agenda. These two documents, posted on the website of the Convention on Biological Diversity, will serve as road-maps up to the tenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties and the International Year of Biodiversity.

99. The conference achieved its objective to establish a strong partnership between business representatives and other stakeholders to implement the year 2050 vision on biodiversity and the 2020 biodiversity target, to be adopted at the tenth conference when they meet in Aichi-Nagoya, Japan in October, 2010.

100. The Secretariat of the Convention, through its Business 2010 newsletters, continued to effectively engage the business community in the implementation of the three objectives of the CBD by highlighting best practices, including life-cycle approaches and incentive mechanisms. Published the Business.2010 magazine with a special focus on invasive alien species.

Decisions IX/32 and IX/33: Programme of Work for Communication, Education and Public Awareness and Preparations for the International Year of Biodiversity

101. A Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) was signed with the Secretariat and the World Association of Zoos and Aquariums, at the annual meeting of the association in Saint Louis Missouri, USA. The MOU will strengthen collaboration on CEPA activities, including the contribution of WAZA to the International Year of Biodiversity.

102. A sub-regional capacity-building workshop for ASEAN countries on Communication, Education, and Public Awareness (CEPA) and Media Training was held on 30 November to 3 December 2009, in Jakarta, Indonesia. The workshop, organized by the Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity, in partnership with the ASEAN Centre for Biodiversity (ACB), and the Commission for Education and Communication (CEC) of IUCN, gathered the participation of about 60 media practitioners and government information officers from 10 Southeast Asian countries.

103. Hosted by the Government of Indonesia and supported by the Government of the Netherlands, the workshop provided an exchange of knowledge and learning among civil servants responsible for CEPA activities on biodiversity and media practitioners who report on biodiversity. The second in a series of sub-regional workshops which began in 2008 in response to COP decision IX/32, the Jakarta workshop counted on the participation of 3 trainers from the CEC of IUCN and assistance from the ABS Capacity-development initiative for Africa. The workshop increased the participants' awareness about the importance of the International Year of Biodiversity (IYB), as well as increased their knowledge about the CBD framework and support for IYB, improved their skills in strategic planning and organizing national activities for the IYB, and raised their awareness of the importance of, and improved their skills in, dealing with the media.

104. A special module on ABS provided training on the communication of this important issue under the CBD. Designed to also sensitize media practitioners to issues of biodiversity conservation and encourage them to become partners in conservation advocacy, each media participant is encouraged to draft one story/radio/television programme about the CBD and about national actions on biodiversity in their respective country in the next six to 12 months.

105. The next CEPA workshop is expected to take place in Nairobi, Kenya on the margins of the upcoming SBSTTA-14 meeting.

106. Preparations for the International Year of Biodiversity accelerated. The official website for the International Year was launched at the opening of the eighth meeting of the Ad hoc Open-ended Working Group on Access and Benefit Sharing in Montreal, featuring the message of the United Nations Secretary General for the IYB. The website includes links to materials for the IYB, messages and a calendar of events for the year. Since its launch, the page has been continually updated with new information from Parties and partners. A Facebook page for the IYB was created in December and had over 4000 members by the end of December.

107. Preparations continued for the launches of the IYB, to take place at the opening of the year.

IMPLEMENTATION AND TECHNICAL SUPPORT

Decision VIII/14: National reporting and the next Global Biodiversity Outlook

108. As of end of December 2009, 85 countries had submitted their fourth national reports in final form. About 13 countries had sent advanced draft reports.

109. A regional workshop was organized for Mesoamerican and Caribbean countries from 7 to 10 December 2009 (in Panama City, Panama) to facilitate the preparation and finalization of their fourth national reports. A total of 17 countries attended the workshop. The workshop was supported by UNEP DGEF, IUCN Countdown 2010, the European Commission, IUCN regional office for Latin America and UNEP ROLAC.

110. Preliminary analysis was undertaken of information contained in the fourth national reports received so far for the third edition of the Global Biodiversity Outlook and consideration by the Bureau of COP 9.

111. The Secretariat discussed with the Japanese Government about its possible support to some countries for preparing the fourth national report.

112. The Secretariat continued facilitating the submission of the fourth national report through various means, including bilateral discussions with some countries during the sixth meeting of the Article 8(j) Working Group and the eighth meeting of ABS Working Group in Montreal (2-15 November 2009).

Decisions VIII/8 and IX/8: National Biodiversity Strategies and Action Plans

113. By the end of December 2009, 166 Parties had completed their national biodiversity strategies and action plans (NBSAPs) and, of this total, 30 Parties had completed revisions to their NBSAP while 16 have revisions in process. The Secretariat is also aware that 12 Parties are in the process of preparing their NBSAP, however, 15 Parties, including the two countries that have recently acceded to the

Convention (Iraq and Somalia), have not provided any recent information to the Secretariat concerning the status of this document.

114. Parties have provided information on the current status of their NBSAP through their fourth national reports that were due at the end of March 2009. Guidelines for the preparation of the fourth national report specifically request Parties to assess the status of implementation of their NBSAP or revised NBSAP and to link this information to an overview on the status of biodiversity, trends and threats, in their country, as well as to mainstreaming activities. Additionally, after compiling this information, Parties are requested to assess how actions taken to implement the Convention at the national level have contributed to achieving the goals of the 2010 Target and CBD Strategic Plan. At the end of December 2009, 85 countries had submitted their fourth national reports in final format and 13 countries had submitted substantial advance drafts.

115. The Secretariat is continuing work to compile case studies, tools and guidance arising from the regional capacity-development workshops held in 2008 and in the first half of 2009 on NBSAP implementation and biodiversity mainstreaming.

Decision IX/9: Revision and updating of the Strategic Plan of the Convention

116. Possible outline and elements of a new Strategic Plan had been prepared based on further views received from Parties, observers and relevant consultations held. The draft elements contained in the document UNEP/CBD/SP/PREP/2 (available in English, French and Spanish at <http://www.cbd.int/sp/sp2010+/>) include a proposed vision, options for mission, strategic goals, headline targets and mechanisms to support implementation. The document was reviewed by the Bureaux of SBSTTA and COP 9.

117. The Secretariat, with the support from IUCN Countdown 2010, UNEP DGEF and UNEP ROLAC, organized a regional workshop for Mesoamerican and Caribbean countries on the updating of the post-2010 Strategic Plan from 7 to 10 December 2009 in Panama City, Panama. The workshop provided useful inputs to the new Strategic Plan, by linking them with reviewing of progress towards the 2010 target through preparation of the fourth national report. A total of 17 countries and many regional and local organizations attended the workshop. The report of the workshop including the recommendations concerning the new Strategic Plan can be accessed at <http://www.cbd.int/doc/?meeting=WS4NRSP-CCA-01>.

118. The Secretariat, with the support from UNEP DELC, UNEP ROA, GTZ and the Government of Egypt, organized a regional consultation for Africa on the updating of the new Strategic Plan from 11 to 12 December 2009 in Cairo, Egypt. About 50 participants attended the workshop and reviewed the process, views provided to date and reflected and commented on the possible outline and elements for the new Strategic Plan. This meeting has helped participants to better understand the rationale for and content of the draft of the new plan. On that basis, it enabled them to share ideas and express areas that should receive greater emphasis on the basis of their specific experiences and provided a degree of ownership for the process.

119. With the support of the Japanese Ministry of the Environment, a regional workshop was held for East, South and Southeast Asia on the updating of the post-2010 Strategic Plan from 15 to 17 December 2009 in Tokyo, Japan. A total of 18 countries and many regional and local organizations including IUCN Asia, Birdlife Asia, UNU-IAS attended the workshop. The workshop elaborated on possible vision, mission, strategic goals, headline targets and mechanisms to support implementation, including some milestones and possible indicators for monitoring and evaluation of implementation. The report of the workshop including the recommendations from the workshop can be accessed at <http://www.cbd.int/doc/?meeting=WSSP-2010-SEASI-01>.

120. A summary of national targets for 2010 and post-2010 had been prepared based on reviews of the fourth national reports received so far and will be presented in the document UNEP/CBD/SP/PREP/3.

121. More regional or expert consultations for updating the Strategic Plan are upcoming in January and February 2010, including one for Middle East and North African countries (10-11 January 2010, Cairo, Egypt) and the other for countries from all the regions (18-20 January 2010, London, UK). The Sixth Trondheim Conference on Biodiversity hosted by Norway in early February 2010 also provides an opportunity for many countries and organizations from around the world to elaborate the post-2010 Strategic Plan of the CBD.

122. The webpage for the Strategic Plan had been revamped with more additions and links. An on-line forum had been established for discussions on the new Strategic Plan.

Decisions IX/11 and IX/31: Financial Resources and the Financial Mechanism, and the Guide to the Financial Mechanism

123. The organization of the International Workshop on Innovative Financial Mechanisms, to be held in Bonn, Germany, from 27-29 January 2010, was in advanced stage of preparation, including identifying sponsored experts, arranging logistics, and preparation of background documentation. Information note for participants was posted and circulated.

124. Two documents on review of the guidance to the financial mechanism and on concrete activities and initiatives and indicators for the strategy for resource mobilization were prepared and finalized for the third meeting of the Working Group on Review of Implementation.

125. The Secretariat issued two notifications inviting initial review of the draft document on the review of the guidance to the financial mechanism as well as on concrete activities and initiatives and indicators. Additional submissions on the strategy for resource mobilization was received from Brazil and Germany, and posted on the website. Mexico made a submission on the draft document for the review of the guidance to the financial mechanism.

126. Statement to the GEF Council meeting of November 2009 was transmitted to the GEF Secretariat, and the joint summary of the meeting was circulated to Parties as well.

127. The Secretariat conducted a training course on financing mechanisms for sustainable biodiversity management, for the SADC Regional Biodiversity Training and Awareness Raising Workshop, from 28 November – 1 December 2009, in Johannesburg, South Africa.

128. The Secretariat participated in the Executive GEFOP meeting on Tuesday, October 6, 2009.

Decision IX/30: Scientific and Technical Cooperation and the Clearing-House Mechanism

129. During the last quarter of 2009, activities related to the Clearing-House Mechanism (CHM) can be summarized as follows:

130. The website for the International Year of Biodiversity 2010 (www.cbd.int/2010) was designed and launched. It provides detailed information on the IYB, including background, welcome messages, celebrations, partners, resources and a section on participation. The website look-and-feel was based on the IYB branding, and an in-house effort was made to provide the content in three UN languages.

131. A Facebook fan page was also created (www.facebook.com/iyb/2010) to encourage social networking to support the IYB. In early January 2010, the number of fans was close to 4,000. Related information was also posted on Twitter and YouTube online services.

132. The Aichi-Nagoya International E-Conference on the Post 2010 Biodiversity Target (ANIEC 2010) was launched at www.cbd.int/aniec2010. The purpose of this online consultation process is to gather opinions from broad and diverse groups of stakeholders on biodiversity actions to be taken after 2010. The discussions will be summarized and presented to the UN General Assembly in September 2010 and to COP 10.

133. A presentation was prepared for the Regional European Biodiversity CHM meeting held in Copenhagen on 11-12 November 2009.

134. The CBD Secretariat was represented at GBIF's Node Portal Toolkit workshop held in Montreal on 7-8 December 2009. The purpose of the meeting was to brainstorm and discuss the design of a GBIF toolkit that can serve information to GBIF nodes and to other potential GBIF data users, including the CBD and national CHM websites. A separate meeting was also held on 9 December 2009 at the CBD Secretariat to discuss GBIF-CHM collaboration.

135. A CHM presentation was prepared for the ICT exhibition of UNFCCC COP 15 held in Copenhagen. The presentation took place remotely from Montreal on 15 December 2009.

136. Several actions were taken as follow up to the UNEP workshop on Knowledge Management for MEAs:

- a) A webpage was created at www.cbd.int/kmmea to provide information on the initiative.
- b) The CBD Secretariat has become a member of the UNEP KM MEA Steering Committee and Working Group.
- c) The implementation of a prototype exchange mechanism for MEA calendars has started.

137. A partnership was established with McGill University in Montreal to provide, during the first quarter of 2010, two part-time interns in their Master of Library and Information Studies to start implementing some recommendations of the knowledge management consultancy report.

138. Work proceeded in setting up online questionnaires to compile information on national CHM websites and the implementation of decision IX/30. These questionnaires will be launched in early 2010.

Biodiversity for Development Initiative

A. UNDP-SCBD MOU on mainstreaming biodiversity in development

139. In the context of the UNDP and CBD MOU on mainstreaming biodiversity into development, the main activities and quarterly results for the period September – December 2009 contributing to CBD programs and products are the following:

Biodiversity for Development and Poverty Alleviation IDB booklet

140. Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity (2009). Biodiversity, Development and Poverty Alleviation: Recognizing the Role of Biodiversity for Human Well-being. Montreal, 52 pages.

Document was finalized with peer review, layout and publication of the document to be launched in January 2010 during IYB events.

Environmental Mainstreaming Sourcebook

141. Partnership negotiated and substantive input provided; in a context where in final stages financial contribution from SCBD was not approved.

Biodiversity and Local Development Initiative

142. Photo story products prepared for showcasing on IYB site.

Biodiversity in Development Cooperation network and plan of action

143. Communicated and exchanged with network members on updates on Biodiversity for Development initiatives, road map to Nagoya on biodiversity in development Cooperation and high level forum on Biodiversity and Development Cooperation.

144. Prepared agenda and concluded arrangements with OECD for their hosting of the second expert meeting to update and engage members in the strategic plan for implementation of the CBD and prepare the HL forum on Biodiversity and Development Cooperation in COP 10, Nagoya.

145. Article on mainstreaming biodiversity in development cooperation co-authored by E. Belvaux and M. Regnier prepared and published in Inwent journal Development and Cooperation.

Proposal for collaborative UNDP SCBD activities and resource mobilization

146. Follow up with CIDA, SIDA and SDC on funding and support to biodiversity and development initiative.

Collaboration on UNDP Human Development Report 2010

147. Contributed to concept note review and participated in first reader group meeting.

UNDP plan of activities for IYB

148. Communication on IYB activities

GBO3 review inputs

149. Comments and substantive inputs to GBO3 synthesis report review; disseminated the report to UNDP networks of country offices and advisors for review.

Contribution to CBD Strategic plan, preparations for COP 10 and related program of work and initiatives

150. Prepared the draft chapter on development cooperation, as contribution to the UN-EMG report on post 2010 advancement of biodiversity.

- Inputs and suggestions to iterations of the Strategic Plan 2010-2020

- Suggestions for joint Rio Convention secretariat actions
- Contribution to South-South Cooperation program planning
- Comments suggestions and input to different preparatory work and activities in particular those of the Biodiversity for Development and Poverty Alleviation Initiative; Business and Development, WGRI and SBSSTA preparation work.
- Led preparation of the tourism theme for IAIA 2010 conference on Transitioning to a Green Economy

Communicating SCBD work to UNDP Country offices and advisory support teams and connecting UNDP and SCBD teams

151. Communicated updates to UNDP network of Country offices and advisors on GBO3, blog and other IYB activities.

B. German Financial Resources Management

152. During the fourth quarter of 2009, the following activities were undertaken:

a) Guides for mainstreaming biodiversity and ecosystem services

- To mainstream biodiversity and ecosystem services into sectoral and cross-sectoral planning and implementation processes, a set of specific CBD tool kits and good practice guides are being elaborated since beginning of 2009. During the fourth quarter of 2009, guides for forestry, pastoralism, tourism and drinking water were finalized and started to disseminate. The guides related to fisheries, health, and quarrying are in the last elaboration stage.
- A first draft of the cross-sectoral tool kit on mainstreaming biodiversity and ecosystem services for planning and finance ministries was also circulated for peer review and it is expected to finalize it in February 2010. The next challenge is to design a proper strategy to use these guides in the context of capacity development efforts and to monitor the acceptance and effectiveness of the guides by providers of capacity building services and addressed target groups.

b) Mainstreaming development and poverty reduction into the CBD-Process

- To mainstream the development and poverty dimension into the CBD planning and implementation process, three entry points were identified and used: the ongoing CBD strategic planning process beyond 2010; the thematic CBD-Programmes of Work; and a proposal for a specific Capacity Development Programme in developing countries beyond 2010.
- The seconded programme officer was involved in the Strategic Plan task force introducing poverty issues and emphasizing the necessity to have a common strategic plan – or at least a common vision - together with the other two Rio Conventions in order to facilitate an umbrella for environmental mainstreaming through synchronized efforts within a common strategy among the MEAs.
- Through a consultancy with UNEP/WCMC a (gap-) analysis is being done aiming to link the PoWs coherently to poverty reduction and development. The work will conclude with an internal Workshop with responsible Programme Officer generating a common umbrella framework for poverty reduction and development among the PoWs in February 2010.

- In order to get an international commitment for cooperation and a robust mandate for implementation agencies - including the SCBD - to reinforce mainstreaming processes in developing countries, a specific programme for capacity development in developing countries was drafted, which should be discussed by WGRI 3 and later on considered in COP 10.
- The capacity building programme are designed to cover all the developing countries subsequently through regional nodes aiming to create the necessary capacities to implement the Convention as a means for and in the context of development and poverty reduction processes. The programme is designed upon four capacity building blocks: science-policy interface, environmental governance, environmental finance management and adaptive environmental technologies and innovations. Specific papers on poverty reduction included in the annotated agenda for WGRI 3 and COP 10 are being prepared.

c) *Technical Series on “Interdependence between biodiversity and development”*

- The recruiting process for the technical series entitled “Interdependence between biodiversity and development under global change” was finalized. Two universities (University of Montreal, Canada and University of Eberswalde, Germany) will contribute several scientific manuscripts providing options, and answers to prevent dangerous tipping points resulting from biodiversity loss, ecosystem degradation and climate change from different disciplinary perspectives. Writing teams has been built in each University and outlines were specified, coordinated and synchronized.

d) *Mainstreaming and capacity building initiatives in SADC-Region*

- The CBD supported together with IUCN a regional workshop hosted by SADC in November 2009, where a Regional Biodiversity Action Plan was elaborated by representatives of 13 member states operationalizing the existing Regional Biodiversity Strategy. Among the 14 project proposals identified as priorities in the region, capacity building and mainstreaming biodiversity in broader national and regional development processes were emphasized. This event was followed by a capacity building workshop in the context of the Countdown 2010, where SADC-Member States provided their point of view about the CBD ongoing strategic planning process and exchanged experiences about innovative finance mechanisms for biodiversity management.
- The keynote presented by the Programme Officer pointed out the indispensable contribution of ecosystem services as a vital asset for the regional development and poverty reduction. SADC-Member States concluded also that biodiversity conservation is not a goal in itself but a means for poverty reduction and engage the SCBD to highlight this fact clearer in the proposed strategic plan beyond 2010.
- A specific consultancy started to gather case studies in SADC-Region to provide a first regional evidence base on good practices in biodiversity management at the grass-root level. This evidence base will be used to scale up experiences, formulate better environmental policies and programmes, and for the elaboration of project proposals with fund raising purposes.

BIOSAFETY

THE CARTAGENA PROTOCOL ON BIOSAFETY

**III. IMPLEMENTATION OF THE DECISIONS OF THE CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES
SERVING AS THE MEETING OF THE PARTIES TO THE PROTOCOL**

Decision BS-IV/1: Compliance Committee

153. The sixth meeting of the Compliance Committee under the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety took place in Montreal, from 4 to 6 November 2009. The Committee continued with the discussions from its previous meetings regarding the Parties' fulfilment of their national reporting obligations. It conducted its discussions on the basis of a working document prepared by the Secretariat, which included information on the experience and the reporting rates under other multilateral environmental agreements. The Committee reviewed a number of scenarios which might have hindered the fulfilment of reporting obligation under the Biosafety Protocol. They also discussed measures that could improve the current situation. Furthermore, the Committee reviewed general issues of compliance as regards the obligation to provide information to the Biosafety Clearing-House and agreed to some preliminary recommendations, which will be further reviewed at its next meeting. The Committee also decided not to consider a complaint submitted to it by a non-governmental organization alleging non-compliance of a Party with its obligations under the Protocol because the matter falls outside the scope of section IV of the compliance procedures provided for in the annex to decision BS-I/7. The Committee elected a new chairperson and vice chairperson who would serve for the next two-year term.

Decisions BS-II/2 and BS-IV/2: Operation and Activities of the Biosafety Clearing House (BCH)

154. In accordance with Programme Element 1 and to further help stakeholder to register information on the BCH, the Secretariat launched a new BCH Tutorial Module in the Registering Information section at <http://bch.cbd.int/help/tutorial.shtml> at (Module 4). The new module explains in detail how to register information through the newly revamped Management Centre. The new Tutorial Module is currently available in English and Spanish with the French version in preparation. Currently in progress is the translation of the Management Centre itself (see <http://bch.cbd.int/managementcentre/>) into all of the official languages of the United Nations.

155. The fifth meeting of the Informal Advisory Committee of the Biosafety Clearing-House (BCH-IAC) was held in Montreal from 19 to 21 October 2009. This meeting addressed the following issues: (i) Recent changes in the BCH; (ii) BCH forum, activities and tools; (iii) Online Tools for Statistical Analysis and Graphic Representations of Data; (iv) Study of users and potential users of the BCH; (v) Draft Strategic Plan of the Cartagena Protocol with special emphasis on the BCH component; (vi) Future developments and challenges; and (vii) Status of the UNEP-GEF BCH project extension. The participants provided recommendations on all the issues to the Secretariat.

156. During the reporting period, the Secretariat launched through the BCH an Online Survey on the Application of and Experience in the Use of Socio-Economic Considerations in Decision-Making on Living Modified Organisms. The online survey took place from 14 October to the 13 November 2009. Results will be made available at <http://bch.cbd.int/onlineconferences/socioeconomics.shtml> in early 2010.

157. The BCH databases also continue to expand and improve both in quality and quantity of registered information with the increase in information registered in the capacity-building databases, the

Biosafety Information Resource Centre (BIRC) and the addition of guidance materials on risk assessment.

158. Two new Common Formats, (1) Biosafety Laws, Regulations, Guidelines & Regional and International Agreements and (2) Biosafety Organizations were made available online (see <http://bch.cbd.int/news/info.shtml?postid=57019>).

159. A new round of discussions was launched on 23 November 2009 in the Open-ended Online Expert Forum on Risk Assessment and Risk Management (see http://bch.cbd.int/onlineconferences/discussiongroups_ra.shtml).

160. The study on the users and potential users of the BCH has been awarded to a consultant to: (a) Assess what information users and potential users of the BCH would find useful; and (b) Prioritize the work programme of the BCH in order to focus the efforts of the Secretariat on making the BCH a useful tool.

Decision BS-IV/11: Risk Assessment and Risk Management

161. In Decision BS-IV/11, the Parties to the Cartagena Protocol agreed on the need for further guidance on specific aspects of risk assessment and risk management, and established an open-ended online forum on specific aspects on risk assessment and an *Ad Hoc* Technical Expert Group (AHTEG) on Risk Assessment and Risk Management. A meeting of the AHTEG Sub-working Group on the Roadmap for Risk Assessment was held from 12 to 14 October in The Hague, The Netherlands. During that meeting, a new advance draft of the Roadmap was produced and a process for testing the Roadmap was agreed upon. Furthermore, online Discussion Groups were held under the Open-ended Online Expert Forum on Risk Assessment and Risk Management from 23 November to 14 December 2009 for further input to the work of the AHTEG, including further drafting of the four guidance documents being prepared by the Group. The participants to the Open-ended Forum also had the opportunity to discuss the way forward for the development of further guidance on Risk Assessment and Risk Management of LMOs. A total of 151 experts were nominated by Parties, 11 by non-Parties and 60 Observers to take part in the Forum.

Decision BS-IV/17: Public Awareness, Education and Participation

162. The Secretariat is in the process of finalizing the seventh issue of the *Biosafety Protocol News*, to be released in January 2010. It continued to prepare the draft programme of work on public awareness, education and participation to be considered by COP-MOP 5 and sent a notification reminder calling for the submission of views on possible elements of the programme. The Secretariat also launched the COP-MOP 5 website on 9 November 2009, which is available at <http://www.cbd.int/mop5/>.

163. During the reporting period, two presentations on the Protocol were made to the Journalist Dialogue Workshop, which was organised by the Secretariat on 11 November 2009, in Montreal and to students at McGill University in Montreal on 8 December 2009.

Decisions BS-II/6 and BS-IV/6: Cooperation with other organizations, conventions and initiatives

164. A joint meeting between the Secretariats of the International Plant Protection Convention (IPPC) and the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD) was held on 1 December 2009, in Montreal, Canada, to, among other things, further promote synergies regarding joint activities for the Secretariats on biosafety issues.

165. The Secretariat participated in the fourth Meeting of the Biosafety National Project Coordinators in Chisinau, Moldova, 1–4 December 2009. Topics such as mainstreaming of biosafety into national policies; information management and sharing and the BCH; challenges to meeting Cartagena Protocol obligations, among others, were discussed.

Decisions BS-III/10 and BS-IV/9: Handling, transport, packaging and identification of living modified organisms – paragraph 2 (a) of Article 18

166. The Secretariat organised and serviced the Latin American and the Caribbean Regional Training of Trainers' Workshop on the Identification and Documentation of Living Modified Organisms (LMOs) under the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety from 23 to 27 November 2009 in Mexico City, Mexico. The workshop was hosted by the Government of Mexico through the National Autonomous University of Mexico, in collaboration with the Inter American Institute for Cooperation on Agriculture (IICA). The financial support for developing country participants was provided by the Government of Spain. Thirty-four participants from 19 countries and five organizations attended. Participants in the workshop included customs officers and related border protection personnel. The workshop was aimed at introducing customs officers to (i) the requirements of the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety regarding the identification and documentation of LMOs; and (ii) techniques and methodologies that may be used for the implementation of these requirements. To this end, participants heard presentations on the role of customs officials in implementing the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety, documentation accompanying shipments of living modified organisms, sampling and detection of living modified organisms and experiences of the Green Customs Initiative partners. One of the major outputs of the workshop was the development of action plans for the implementation of identification and documentation requirements of LMOs by country participants. The workshop also included a practical laboratory session on detection of LMOs using lateral flow strip tests, ELISA tests as well as qualitative and real-time quantitative PRC (polymerase chain reaction) machines. The laboratory sessions were held at the Faculty of Chemistry at the National Autonomous University of Mexico (UNAM).

Decision BS-IV/15: Assessment and Review

167. The study undertaken on the development of a sound methodological approach to contribute to an effective second assessment and review of the Protocol, its annexes, procedures and mechanisms has been completed. The study, intended to set out suggestions for methodology for the second evaluation of the effectiveness of the Protocol, was circulated alongside the draft elements of the strategic plan to Parties for comments.

Decisions BS-II/12 and BS-IV/16: Socio-Economic Considerations

168. Pursuant to decision BS-II/12 and BS-IV/16, the Secretariat in collaboration with the Division of GEF Coordination of the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP), conducted an online Survey on the Application of and Experience in the Use of Socio-Economic Considerations in Decision-Making on Living Modified Organisms between 14 October and 13 November 2009. The survey, which contained 46 questions, was developed by a panel of experts with funding from the Department for International Development of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland. The survey was available in English, French and Spanish and was open to anyone although pre-registration was required. A total of over 500 completed responses were received. A final report on the survey will be issued in early 2010. The results are expected to feed into relevant processes under the Protocol including the sixth Coordination Meeting for Governments and Organizations Implementing or Funding Biosafety Capacity-building Activities scheduled to take place from 1 to 3 February 2010 in Siem Reap, Cambodia.

Status of Ratification or Accession to the Protocol

169. As of 7 December 2009, 157 countries have ratified or acceded to the Protocol. The list of these Parties is available on the website: <http://www.cbd.int/biosafety/signinglist.shtml>.

ANNEXES

ANNEX I Meetings

October to December 2009

1 October 2009	Teleconference call with Margaret Walsh Best, Newfoundland to discuss IYB
1 October 2009	Teleconference call with Minister of Environment of Somalia
1 October 2009	Meeting with Tim Hodges, ABS Co-Chair
1-3 October 2009	Participate in the Asia-Pacific Regional Workshop on the International Satoyama Initiative Concept – Ecosystem Services in Asian Region - Penang, Malaysia
1-3 October 2009	Deliver keynote presentation at the International Conference on Institutional Catering, with Brazil's Food and Nutrition Initiative officers - Porto Alegre, Brazil
1-3 October 2009	Act as facilitator of the technical workshop on the Indicators on Indigenous Peoples' Well-being and sustainable development on traditional knowledge - Nairobi, Kenya
2 October 2009	Meeting with the Canadian University Consortium
2 October 2009	Unveiling of the IYB logo with the Mayor of Montreal
2 October 2009	Meeting with Secretary General of IEPF
4 October 2009	Meeting with the COP 9 President – Nairobi, Kenya
4 October 2009	Brainstorming meeting on the post 2010 targets with COP 9, COP 10 Presidents and UNEP – Nairobi, Kenya
4 October 2009	Pre-meeting for the Informal Consultative Group for the second ad hoc intergovernmental and multi-stakeholder meeting on an intergovernmental science-policy platform on biodiversity and ecosystem services
4 October 2009	Retreat with the Executive Director of UNEP and the COP President - Nairobi, Kenya
4-8 October 2009	Attend the Annual Conference of the World Association of Zoos and Aquariums - St. Louis, Missouri, U.S.A. (and signing of Memorandum of Understanding between CBD and WAZA)
5 October 2009	Second ad hoc intergovernmental and multi-stakeholder meeting on an intergovernmental science-policy platform on biodiversity and ecosystem services – Nairobi, Kenya
5 October 2009	Bilateral meeting with COP 9 President, UNEP, Indonesia, Argentina and Cote d'Ivoire on the International Year of Biodiversity – Nairobi, Kenya
5 October 2009	Bilateral meeting with Australia to discuss COP 11 – Nairobi, Kenya
5 October 2009	Bilateral meeting with Yemen to discuss G77 as incoming 2010 Chair – Nairobi, Kenya
5 October 2009	Bilateral meeting with the French and Japanese delegations on the role of SCBD in the future of intergovernmental science-policy platform on biodiversity and ecosystem services - Nairobi, Kenya
5 October 2009	Bilateral meeting with Canadian delegation and Montreal International staff on G8 Summit

5 October 2009	Launch of the IYB logo - Nairobi, Kenya
5 October 2009	Meeting with the CBD Focal Point for Norway - Nairobi, Kenya
5-8 October 2009	Attend the 11th Global Meeting of Regional Seas Conventions and Action Plans - Bangkok, Thailand
6 October 2009	Meeting with Chief, Conference Services, UNON - Nairobi, Kenya
6-8 October 2009	Participate in the GBIF 16th Governing Board meeting - Copenhagen, Denmark
7 October 2009	Meeting with the Head of Unit, International Agreements and Trade, Directorate-General Environment, European Commission - Nairobi, Kenya
9 October 2009	Meeting with former Governor of Chiba Prefecture, Ms. Akiko Domoto - Tokyo, Japan
10 October 2009	Meeting with the Vice Minister of Environment of Japan, Mr. Issei Tajima - Tokyo, Japan
10 October 2009	International Symposium on post 2010 - United Nations University, Tokyo, Japan
10 October 2009	Meeting with Prof. Takeuchi, Vice Rector of United Nations University - Tokyo, Japan
10 October 2009	Attend the IUCN-Japan Symposium - Tokyo, Japan
11 October 2009	Bilateral meeting with the representatives of the Suminoto Trust Bank - Nagoya, Japan
11 October 2009	Participate in the Japan Civil Society Network Conference for COP 10 - Nagoya, Japan
11 October 2009	Bilateral meeting with business representatives attending the Japan Civil Society Network meeting - Nagoya, Japan
11 October 2009	Bilateral meeting with the Nagoya Chamber of Industry and Commerce - Nagoya, Japan
11 October 2009	Meet with representatives of the Japan Civil Network for CBD - Nagoya, Japan
11-18 October 2009	Participate in DIVERSITAS Open Science Conference on Biodiversity - Cape Town, South Africa
12 October 2009	Attend the Aichi-Nagoya COP 10 Promotion Committee Symposium - Nagoya, Japan
12 October 2009	Nagoya COP10 Promotion Committee Symposium - Nagoya, Japan
12 October 2009	Meeting with the Aichi Nagoya COP 10 promotion committee - Nagoya, Japan
12 October 2009	Meeting with the Mayor of Nagoya - Nagoya, Japan
12 -23 October 2009	Visit to the SCBD of the United Nations Board of Auditors (exit conference on 23 October)
13 October 2009	Bilateral meeting with the new Minister of Environment on preparation of COP 10 - Tokyo, Japan
13 October 2009	Bilateral meeting with the new Parliamentary Secretary, Director General and other directors of the Ministry of Environment - Tokyo, Japan
13 October 2009	Launch of the IYB and COP 10 logo - Tokyo, Japan
13 October 2009	Bilateral meeting with senior representatives in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs on COP10 - Tokyo, Japan
13 October 2009	Meeting with the Vice President of JICA and other senior JICA officials - Tokyo, Japan
13 October 2009	Meeting with the Goodwill Ambassador of UN-HABITAT in Japan - Tokyo, Japan

13-14 October 2009	Meeting with the Ministry of Environment and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan - Tokyo, Japan
14 October 2009	Meeting with the Mayor of Toyooka city, the Vice Mayor of Kobe and the Governor of Hyogo - Kobe, Japan
14-15 October 2009	Meet with representatives of Airbus - Toulouse, France
14-15 October 2009	Attend the GEF-5 Third Replenishment meeting - Paris, France
14-15 October 2009	Participate in the International Congress on Raw Material in Cosmetics - Grasse, France
15-16 October 2009	Attend the Kobe Biodiversity Dialogue - Kobe, Japan
18-23 October 2009	Attend the 13th World Forestry Congress - Buenos Aires, Argentina (and launch of CBD Technical Series on "Biodiversity and Resilience" and also organized side event)
19 October 2009	Meeting with the Minister of Natural Resources and Environment of Thailand - Bangkok, Thailand
19 October 2009	Meeting with Director of UNEP/ROAP and Executive Secretary of UN-ESCAP on the preparations for IYB - Bangkok, Thailand
19-21 October 2009	Take part in the Cities Alive! World Green Roof Infrastructure Congress - Toronto, Canada (also attended the pre-conference training session)
19-21 October 2009	Informal meeting with Ministry of Environment and other relevant Ministry of Japanese government and stakeholders - Tokyo, Japan
19-22 October 2009	Attend the expert meeting on post 2010 targets at indicators for inland waters/wetlands, - UNEP-WCMC office, Cambridge, U.K.
20 October 2009	Take part in UNEP Ask today's Expert on developing the national Clearing-House Mechanism websites of the Convention on Biological Diversity
20 October 2009	Meeting with the Minister of Foreign Affairs of Singapore - Singapore City, Singapore
20 October 2009	Attend the information seminar on "Healthy Parks, Healthy People" by Stuart Ord of Parks Victoria, Australia - Montreal, Canada
21 October 2009	Presentation on COP10 and beyond at the ASEAN Conference on Biodiversity - Singapore City, Singapore
21-23 October 2009	Participant in the ASEAN Conference on Biodiversity - Singapore City, Singapore (and act as facilitator in the side event "East and Southeast Asia Biodiversity Inventory Initiative" on 22 October)
23 October 2009	Attend the ACB 2009 Parallel Session: ACB Donors Forum - Singapore City, Singapore
25 October 2009	Meeting with staff from the Japan Wildlife Research Center - Tokyo, Japan
26 October 2009	Meeting via teleconference with Wild Wonders of Europe
26 October 2009	Attend the Concordia University Graduate Seminar - Montreal, Canada
26 October 2009	Meeting with the consultant working on GBO-3 - Montreal, Canada
26-30 October 2009	Attend the Consultative Meeting of Contracting Parties to the London Convention and the fourth meeting of Contracting Parties to the London Protocol - IMO headquarters, London, U.K.
26-30 October 2009	Take part in the Administrative Management meeting organized by UNON/UNEP - Nairobi, Kenya
27 October 2009	Meeting via teleconference with Europarc Federation
28 October 2009	Take part in the preparation meeting on G8 Summit - Montreal, Canada
29 October 2009	Visit of representatives from the Canadian Environmental Network

30 October 2009	Meeting with the President of the Quebec Business Council on the Environment - Montreal, Canada
30 October -2 November 2009	Attend the Japanese Forestry Research Institute symposium of scientific support to forest related post-2010 target - Tokyo, Japan
2 November 2009	Presentation of the donation to the CBD Museum from Cambodia and Grenada, in the margins of the WG8J 6 meeting
2-3 November 2009	Take part in the first meeting of the Expert Panel on the state and trends of biodiversity science in Canada - Ottawa, Canada
2-6 November 2009	Visit to the CBD Secretariat of the following delegates/focal points: representatives from the Arab countries representatives, Italy, Cote d'Ivoire, and India, in the margins of the WG8J 6 meeting
3 November 2009	Presentation of the CBD report to the United Nations General Assembly, as well as hold meetings with senior UN officials, as well as take part in "Meet the Press" - New York, U.S.A.
3 November 2009	Meeting with Permanent Representative of Andorra to the United Nations - New York, U.S.A.
3 November 2009	Meeting with President of the U.N. General Assembly - New York
3 November 2009	Meeting with "Friends of CBD", EU - New York, U.S.A.
3 November 2009	Working lunch with heads of interest groups/key delegates and negotiators at functional level - New York
3-5 November 2009	Attend the UNFCCC meeting to support a range of activities relating to biodiversity and climate change, including promotion of REDD - Barcelona, Spain
4 November 2009	Signing ceremony of the Memorandum of Understanding for the Pan-Amazon Protected Areas Initiative - Bogota, Colombia
6-9 November 2009	Participate in the workshop on project development seminar (as pre-conference event for 3rd International Barcode of Life Conference), and take part in a short course on barcoding protocols, as well as deliver a presentation on barcoding invasive species - Mexico City, Mexico
4 November 2009	Visit/meeting with Mr. Thomas Lovejoy, UNEP STAP Chair
5 November 2009	Visit/meeting with Mr. Balakrishna Pisupati, UNEP/DELCC
6 November 2009	Meeting via teleconference with Tadanori Inomata and Marc Paquin of Joint Inspection Unit
6 November 2009	Presentation of the donation to the CBD Museum from Turkmenistan, in the margins of the SBSTTA Bureau meeting
6 November 2009	Visit of Wolfgang Koehler, COP-MOP President
6 November 2009	Lunch presentation by Alliance for Zero Extinction, in the margins of the SBSTT Bureau meeting
6 November 2009	Meeting via teleconference with Eric Falt, Director of the Outreach Division in the U.N. Department of Public Information
6 November 2009	Visit/meeting with Mr. Wolfgang Koehler, President, COP-MOP Bureau
7 November 2009	Lunch presentation on Satoyama Initiative, in the margins of the SBSTTA Bureau meeting
8 November 2009	Visit/meeting of Dr. Shakeel Bhatti, Secretary of the ITPGRFA
9 November 2009	Signing of Memorandum of Understanding with the Institute of Energy and Environment of <i>La Francophonie</i> , in the margins of the WGABS 8 meeting
9 November 2009	Signing of Memorandum of Understanding with the Canadian Environmental Network, in the margins of the WGABS 8 meeting

9 November 2009	Launch of the website for the International Year of Biodiversity, in the margins of the WGABS 8 meeting
9 November 2009	Launch of the web portal for the Nagoya biodiversity meetings in Nagoya, Japan, in the margins of the WGABS 8 meeting
9 November 2009	Launch of the website of the Aichi/Nagoya International E-Conference on the post-2010 Target, in the margins of the WGABS 8 meeting
9 November 2009	Presentation of the donation from UNEP, in the margins of the WGABS 8 meeting
9 November 2009	Presentation of the donation to CBD Museum from: Ukraine, Serbia, Republic of Moldova, Syria, Georgia and Belarus, in the margins of the WGABS 8 meeting
9-11 November 2009	Participate as keynote speaker at the Ecotourism Australia's seventh annual Global Eco Asia-Pacific Tourism Conference - Alice Springs, Australia
9-15 November 2009	Visit to the CBD Secretariat of the following delegates/focal points: Australia, Brazil, Cameroon, France, Rwanda, and Seychelles, in the margins of the WGABS-8 meeting, Montreal, Canada
10 November 2009	Working lunch with Ambassador Raymundo Magno and Ms. Maria Cecilia Wey de Brito - Montreal
10/14 November 2009	Meeting with the COP 9 President, a number of COP Bureau members and UNEP staff on the Strategic Plan - Montreal, Canada
10 November 2009	Visit/meeting with representatives from the Japan Environmental Civil Network for the Convention on Biological Diversity
10-11 November 2009	Attend the UN-EMG issues management Group drafting meeting on the UN response to the (post) 2010 biodiversity targets - Rome, Italy
11 November 2009	Visit of representatives from GTZ
11 November 2009	Visit of Mr. Kimo Goree, Director of IISD Reporting Services and a founder of the Earth Negotiations Bulletin, in the margins of the WGABS 8 meeting
11 November 2009	Meeting with the Consul General of the Republic of Korea - Montreal, Canada
11 November 2009	Training for Journalists on CBD - Montreal
11 November 2009	Familiarization for new UNEP-MEA focal points - Montreal
12 November 2009	Visit/meeting with new UNEP-MEA focal points
12 November 2009	Visit/meeting with Thora Martina Herrman, Canada Research Chair in Ethnoecology and Biodiversity Conservation, University of Montréal, and UNESCO's David Walden and Ana Persic, and UNEP staff
12 November 2009	Visit/meeting with Mr. Felix Dodds, Stakeholder Forum for Sustainable Development
12 November 2009	Visit of students from the Environmental Assessment class at McGill University
12 November 2009	Visit/meeting with Mr. Jean-Claude Jacques, IUCN, and Ms. Rajae Chafil of IEPF
12 November 2009	Attend the seminar on gender and climate change organized by GEF Secretariat in collaboration with UN Foundation, also met with staff of GEF Secretariat on CBD-GEF collaboration on gender - Washington, D.C., U.S.A.
13 November 2009	Unveiling of one of the CBD conference room in memory of Fee Chon Chong Low
13 November 2009	Take part in the Third meeting of the Steering Committee for the

	2010 Biodiversity Indicators Partnership - London, U.K.
14 November 2009	Visit/meeting with Hugo-Maria Schally and Ines Verleye
15 November 2009	Meeting with Norwegian delegation attending WGABS-8
16 November 2009	Visit/meeting with representatives of the Ministries of Foreign Affairs and Environment of Japan
16 November 2009	Visit/meeting of Mr. Rudy Van-Dijck, UNON
16 November 2009	Telephone interview for a Research project on mainstreaming of climate change from University of Hamburg
16 - 17 November 2009	Visit/meeting with representatives of the COP 10 Local Organizing Committee
16-18 November 2009	Take part in the Project Development Workshop for the GTI in Africa - Nairobi, Kenya
17 November 2009	Visit of the students from the McGill University Integrated Water Resource Management Masters of Science Research class
18-20 November 2009	Participate in the UNEP Senior Management Team Retreat - Nairobi, Kenya
18-20 November 2009	Meeting with senior officials from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Environment of Finland - Helsinki, Finland
19 November 2009	Presentation to the UNEP Committee of Permanent Representatives - Nairobi, Kenya
19 November 2009	Meeting with the Executive Director and Deputy Executive Director of UNEP - Nairobi, Kenya
19 – 20 November	Meetings with UNEP Regional Directors – Nairobi, Kenya
19 November 2009	Meeting with the Permanent Representatives of the United States of America, Indonesia, India to UNEP- Nairobi, Kenya
20 November 2009	Meeting with the Directors of UNEP Division of Communication and Public Information and Division of Early Warning and Assessment - Nairobi, Kenya
21-23 November 2009	Meeting with senior officials from the European Commission, Belgian Ministry of Environment and NATO - Brussels, Belgium
23-27 November 2009	Attend the East Asian Seas Congress 2009 - Manila, Philippines
24 November 2009	Meeting via teleconference with AIRBUS – London, U.K.
24 November 2009	Meeting via teleconference with UNESCO staff – London, U.K.
24 November 2009	Attend the 150th Anniversary of the first publication of “On the Origin of Species” by Charles Darwin – London, U.K.
24-25 November 2009	Meet with representatives of <i>Fonds Danone pour la Nature</i> , and with senior officials from the Government of France - Paris, France
25 November 2009	Meeting with UK Minister for Marine and Natural Environment, together with staff from DEFRA – London, U.K.
25 November 2009	Launch of IYB by the National History Museum – London, U.K.
26 November 2009	Meeting via teleconference with ABS Co-Chairs
26-27 November 2009	Meet with senior officials from the Government of Denmark - Copenhagen, Denmark
28 November-1 December 2009	Meet with a number of potential partners with <i>LifeWeb</i> Initiative - Amsterdam, Netherlands
24-25 November 2009	Speak at the celebration of the 150th anniversary of “On the Origin of Species” and the launch of the UK partnership supporting Biodiversity is Life - International Year of Biodiversity - London, U.K.
24-25 November 2009	Attend the UNCTAD Biotrade workshop - Geneva, Switzerland
25 November-1 December 2009	Provide assistance at the SADC Training Workshop - Johannesburg,

	South Africa
25-26 November 2009	Participate in the Conference on Genetically Modified Organisms in European Agriculture and Food Production - Amsterdam, Netherlands
26 November 2009	Attend the Planetworkshop Global Conference - Deauville, France
27 November 2009	Meeting with senior officials of the French Ministry of Environment - Paris, France
30 November 2009	Meeting with Mr. Kuroda, Japan
1 December 2009	Visit/meeting with staff from IPPC Secretariat
2-3 December 2009	Participate in the UNU ABS Dialogue - Jakarta, Indonesia (also took part in preparatory meetings on 1 December)
2-4 December 2009	Attend the EEA expert meeting on ecosystem services accounting - Copenhagen, Denmark
3 December 2009	Meeting with Brett Jenks, CEO, RARE - Washington D.C., U.S.A.
3 December 2009	Consultation with non-governmental organizations - Washington D.C., U.S.A.
3-4 December 2009	Meeting with Dr. Kerri-Ann Jones, Assistant State Secretary and staff from the U.S. State Department, as well as with relevant organizations and partners to the <i>LifeWeb</i> Initiative - Washington, D.C., U.S.A.
4 December 2009	Attend the award ceremony for the winners of the National Geographic-Airbus Photo Competition, , Washington, D.C., U.S.A.
4 December 2009	Signing of Memorandum of Understanding with Conservation International - Washington D.C., U.S.A.
6-10 December 2009	Attend the 4th Pan-African Workshop of the ABS Initiative - Cairo, Egypt (also took part in the Steering Committee meeting on 5 December)
7 December 2009	Teleconference with the informal consultative group for the 3rd IPBES Meeting
7 December 2009	Visit/meeting with the Director of Air Algérie office in Montreal
7 December 2009	Meeting with the Suzuki Foundation and members of the Canadian Boreal Initiative – Montreal, Canada
7 December 2009	Delivered keynote speech at the McGill Environment Symposium – Montreal, Canada
7 December 2009	Take part in the Terrorism and Intruder training – Montreal, Canada
7-11 December 2009	Participate in WIPO's Committee on Intellectual Property and Genetic Resources, Traditional Knowledge and Folklore meeting - Geneva, Switzerland
7-18 December 2009	Attend the fifteenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the U.N. Framework Convention on Climate Change, as well as the High-Level Ministerial Segment - Copenhagen, Denmark
8 December 2009	Interview with Melanie Lambush - London, U.K.
8 December 2009	Visit of senior staff from Airbus and ICAO
9 December 2009	Meeting with Eric Falt, Director of the Outreach Division in the U.N. Department of Public Information - New York, U.S.A.
9 December 2009	Visit of Mr. Samy Gaiji, GBIF
10 December 2009	Presentation to the Group of 77 on the CBD, as well as bilateral meetings with Ambassadors attending the meeting - New York, U.S.A.
10 December 2009	Meeting with United Nations Under Secretary for Economic and Social Affairs, and Director of CSD/DSD – New York, U.S.A.

10 December 2009	Meetings held with: the Deputy Permanent Representatives of Senegal, Permanent Representatives of Tunisia and India - New York, U.S.A.
10 December 2009	Working lunch with Friends of the CBD - New York, U.S.A.
12-14 December 2009	Take part in the meeting for Asia-Pacific Biodiversity Observation Network, 10-11 December 2009, and the intergovernmental meeting for South East Asia Biodiversity Information Initiative - Tokyo, Japan
11 December 2009	Teleconference Call with Mr. Walter Erdelen, UNESCO - Montreal
11 December 2009	Visit/meeting with the Ambassador of Tunisia to Canada
11 December 2009	Meet with UNESCO staff - Paris, France
13 December 2009	Meet with FAO staff - Rome, Italy
13 December 2009	Attend the Forest Day, in the margins of the UNFCCC COP-15 - Copenhagen, Denmark
14-17 December 2009	Participate in the second session of the UN-sponsored management training workshop - New York, U.S.A.
15 December 2009	Signing of Memorandum of Understanding with the United Nations Forum on Forests - Copenhagen, Denmark
15 December 2009	Meeting with Mr. Pavan Sukhdev, TEEB Study Leaders - Copenhagen, Denmark
15 December 2009	Take part in the side event: Celebrating High Level Commitments to Adaptation: Building Resilient Communities and Ecosystems - Copenhagen, Denmark
15-18 December 2009	Participate in the Policy Seminar organized by the Secretariat of the International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture - Bari, Italy
16 December 2009	Participate in the working breakfast for the United Nations System: Role of the UN System in the global implementation of Climate Change Mitigation and Adaptation – Copenhagen, Denmark
16 December 2009	Meeting with European Environment Agency of Denmark – Copenhagen, Denmark
16 December 2009	Attend the <i>concertation ministerielle, déjeuner</i> organized by IEPF – Copenhagen, Denmark
16 December 2009	Attend the side event on “Reducing Emissions from Deforestation” – Copenhagen, Denmark
16 December 2009	Journalist training IIED UNFCCC COP 15 – Copenhagen, Denmark
16 December 2009	Meeting with Flavia Pansieri, Executive Coordinator UNV - Copenhagen, Denmark
16 December 2009	Attend the high level side event organized by the CEB and chaired by the UN Secretary General - Copenhagen, Denmark
16-17 December 2009	Attend meetings with senior officials at the Ministry of Environment of Japan and JICA - Tokyo, Japan
17 December 2009	Meeting with Foundation World Future Council: Preparation of Future Policy Award Ceremony 2010 - Copenhagen, Denmark
17 December 2009	Meeting with Ministers of Environment attending the UNFCCC COP-15 including: Uganda, Belgium, France, Canada, Flemish and Quebec Governments, among others - Copenhagen, Denmark
17 December 2009	Meeting with Nick King, Executive Secretary, GBIF – Copenhagen, Denmark
17 December 2009	Meeting with Jochen Flasbarth, Germany – Copenhagen, Denmark
17 December 2009	Meeting with the CEO of the GEF Secretariat – Copenhagen,

	Denmark
17 December 2009	Meeting with the Executive Secretaries of UNFCCC and UNCCD – Copenhagen, Denmark
17 December 2009	High level event on gender and climate change finance – Copenhagen, Denmark
17 December 2009	Working lunch with the United Nations Secretary General and heads of delegation at COP 15 – Copenhagen, Denmark
17 December 2009	Climate Change and National Security side event – Copenhagen, Denmark

ANNEX II

Status of Implementation of the Agreed Administrative Arrangements

I Personnel Arrangements

1. During the reporting period, the Secretariat had 36 regularized Professional staff members and 26 regularized General Service staff members funded from the core budget. There was 1 Professional post and 1 General Services vacant post for which recruitment/selection is in progress. Additionally, 5 professional posts and 11 General Service posts were funded from other sources. For more information, please refer to the attached staff list and organigram (Appendix 1 and Annex II respectively).

II Contributions and Funds

2. During the fourth quarter of 2009, twelve new pledges of additional voluntary funds in support of approved activities under the Convention (BE Trust Fund) were recorded. Canada pledged CAD 175,000 for the Implementation of CBD; EC pledged EUR 130,000 towards the Contribution Agreement No. 21.0401/2009/540979/SUB/E2; FAO pledged US\$ 10,200 for the Biodiversity Educational Materials/Green Wave; France pledged EUR 10,000 towards the French translation of CBD Website; Germany pledged: US\$ 60,000 towards the Regional Workshops on Protected Areas, EUR 60,000 towards the Regional Workshop in Africa on Biofuels and US\$ 384,200 for the Conference Costs of ABS-9; Japan pledged US\$ 100,000 towards the activities on the International Year of Biodiversity; Norway pledged NOK 2,000,000 for the support of CBD Secretariat' Activities; Spain pledged EUR 1,360,000 for Additional Approved Activities; Switzerland pledged US\$ 50,000 for the preparation of the high-level special session on Biodiversity at the 65th session of the UNGA and the World Conservation Monitoring Centre pledged US\$ 8,000 for the publication of Technical Series 45 and 46 on Ocean Fertilization and Ocean Acidification scientific synthesis.

3. For 2009 a total of US\$6,119,581 has been pledged to the BE Trust Fund, of which US\$4,943,404 or 81% has been collected as at 31 December 2009. Full details of the pledges and contributions to the BE Trust Fund are reflected in Annex IV.

4. The total amount pledged for the BY Trust Fund in 2009 is US\$10,506,136. Of this amount, US\$9,498,450 or 90% has been received as at 31 December 2009. A total of US\$2,260,386 has also been collected in 2009 as advance payments for 2010 and future years. Additionally, US\$886,106 has been pledged as additional contributions to the BY Trust Fund for 2009. US\$159,983 has also been collected in 2009 for prior years. Full details of the pledges and contributions to the BY Trust Fund are reflected in Annex VI.

5. As at 31 December 2009, US\$875,669 has been pledged for 2009 as additional voluntary contributions to facilitate the Participation of Parties in the Convention process (BZ Trust Fund). Full details of the pledges and contributions to the BZ Trust Fund are reflected in Annex V.

6. As at 31 December 2009, contributions to the BZ Trust Fund in 2009 amounted to US\$740,607 or 85% of the total pledged for 2009. A total of US\$257,408 remains outstanding for the BZ Trust Fund for 2009 and prior years. Full details of the pledges and contributions to the BZ Trust Fund are reflected in Annex V.

7. As at 31 December 2009, a total of one hundred and five (105) countries have paid US\$1,879,592 to the BG Trust Fund, representing 96% of pledges for 2009. A total of US\$611,974 has also been collected in 2009 as advance payments for 2010 and future years. US\$128,959 has also been

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collected in 2009 for prior years. Full details of the pledges and contributions to the BG Trust Fund are reflected in Annex VII.

8. As at 31 December 2009, eight Parties have pledged and/or contributed to the Special Voluntary Trust Fund for Additional voluntary Contributions in Support of Approved Activities of the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety, (BH Trust Fund) in 2009. To date, US\$415,835 has been received in 2009 for 2009 and future years. Full details of the pledges and contributions to the BH Trust Fund are reflected in Annex VIII.

9. As at 31 December 2009, EC has pledged and/or contributed EUR 35,000 to the Special Voluntary Trust Fund for Facilitating Participation of Developing Country Parties in the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety, (BI Trust Fund). US\$ 31,065 has been collected in 2009 for 2009 and future years. Full details of the pledges and contributions to the BI Trust Fund are reflected in Annex IX.

III Accounting and Reporting

Status of Expenditure

10. COP-9 approved a budget of US\$11,391,900 for the BY Trust Fund for 2009. Preliminary figures as at 31 December 2009 indicate a total of US\$9,443,491 was spent or committed. This represents 83% of the approved amount.

11. COP/MOP-4 approved a budget of US\$2,611,800 for the BG Trust Fund for 2009. As at 31 December 2009, a preliminary amount of US\$2,248,154 has so far been spent or committed. This represents 86% of the approved amount.

12. Final expenditure figures will not be available until after accounts close in March 2010.

Reimbursement for Services provided to the Secretariat

13. The following sixteen posts are funded by UNEP from the programme support funds (PSC): Chief, Financial Resources Management Service (P-5); Administrative Officer (P-3); Programme Management Officer Biosafety (P-3); Associate Finance Officer (P-2); Personal Assistant to the ES (P-2); Senior Finance Assistant (G-8); Finance Assistant (G-6); Finance Assistant (G-5); Personnel Assistant (G-7); Conference Assistant (G-6) Administrative Assistant (G-7) Administrative Assistant (G-6); Administrative Assistant- conferences (G-6) two (2) Travel Assistants (G-7); and Messenger/Clerk/Drive (G-4).

Appendix I

Staffing table of the Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity

October - December 2009

Post #	Level	Title	Staff member
1101	ASG	Executive Secretary (OES)	Mr. A. Djoghlaif
1102	D1	Principal Officer (SEL)	Mr. O. Jalbert
1103	D1	Principal Officer (STTM)	Mr. K. Mulongoy
BGL 1101	P5	Senior Programme Officer (Biosafety)	Mr. C. Gbedemah
1105	D1	Principal Officer (ITS)	Mr. R. Sharma
1106	P5	Chief, Financial Resources Management Service (RMCS)	Ms. M. Rattray-Huish (Post funded by UNEP)
1107	P4	Financial Resources & Instruments. PO (ITS)	Mr. Y. Xiang
1108	P5	PO Legal Advice and Support (SEL)	Mr. L. Glowka
1109	P4	Economist (SEL)	Mr. M. Lehmann
1110	P4	PO, Conservation Ecology (STTM)	Mr. T. Christophersen
1113	P4	PO, Clearing House Mechanism (ITS)	Mr. O. De Munck
1114	P4	Chief, Office of the Executive Secretary	Ms. D. Kayser
1115	P4	PO, Indigenous Knowledge (SEL)	Mr. J. Scott
1116	P5	PO. Reports & Reviews (OMG)	Mr. N. Pratt
1117	P3	Programme Officer (OMG)	Post vacant
1118	P3	Meetings Services Officer (RMCS)	Mr. A. Yesli
1119	P3	Information Officer (OMG)	Ms. M. Khan
1120	P3	Internet & Elect. Communications (OMG)	Mr. F. Vogel
1121	P4	PO, Jakarta Mandate (STTM)	Ms. J. Lee
1122	P3	PO, Website Officer (OMG)	Mr. D. Ainsworth
1124	P3	Administrative Officer (RMCS)	Mr. V. Ogbuneke (Post funded by UNEP)
BGL 1126	P4	Environmental Affairs Officer (Biosafety)	Mr. E. Tamale
BGL 1103	P3	Legal Affairs Officer (Biosafety)	Ms. K. Garforth
1128	P3	Computer Systems Officer (OMG)	Mr. Q. Nguyen
1131	P4	PO, Inland Waters (STTM)	Mr. D. Coates
1132	P4	PO, Scientific & Technical Assessments (STTM)	Mr. R. Hoft
1133	P4	PO, Access & Benefit Sharing (SEL)	Ms. V. Normand
BGL 1134	P4	PO, Scientific, Technical Information (Biosafety)	Mr. G. Ferraiolo

Post #	Level	Title	Staff member
1135	P5	Chief, Conference Services (RMCS)	Mr. J. Fry
1136	P2	Associate Finance Officer (RMCS)	Ms. T.C. Fon Sing (Post funded by UNEP)
1137	P4	Taxonomy, PO (STTM)	Ms. J. Shimura
1141	P4	PO, Dry and Sub-humid lands (STTM)	Ms. J. Webbe
1142	P3	PO, Reports (ITS)	Mr. L. Cai
1143	P4	PO, Sustainable Use and Tourism (SEL)	Mr. O. Hillel
BGL 1102	P4	PO, Legal & Policy Affairs (Biosafety)	Mr. W. Damena Yifru
1145	P3	PO, Scientific Assessments (Biosafety)	Ms. M. Pessoa de Miranda
1146	P5	SPO, Interagency & Programme Coordination (ITS)	Mr. D. Cooper
1148	P4	PO, <i>In-situ</i> and <i>ex-situ</i> conservation (STTM)	Mr. V. Gidda
BGL 1151	P3	Computer Information Systems Officer, (Biosafety)	Mr. P. LeBlond
1123	P3	Programme Management Officer (RMCS)	Mr. I. Ahmed (Post funded by UNEP)
1147	P2	Personal Assistant to the ES (OES)	Ms. A. Rego (Post funded by UNEP)
BGL 1104	P2	Assoc. Public Information Officer (BS)	Ms. U. Nilsson
1301	G8	Finance Assistant (RMCS)	Ms. R. Alum (Post funded by UNEP)
1302	G7	Senior Secretary to the Executive Secretary (OES)	Ms. T. Karim
1303	G6	Secretary (SEL)	Ms. L. Boutin
1304	G7	Programme Assistant - (STTM)	Ms. A. Cung
1305	G7	Programme Assistant - (STTM)	Ms. J. Grekin
1306	G7	Programme Assistant - (ITS)	Ms. S. Meehan
BGL 1301	G7	Programme Assistant - (Biosafety)	Ms. J. Huppé
1308	G7	Programme Assistant - (ITS)	Ms. M. Chiasson
1309	G7	Programme Assistant - (SEL)	Mr. D. Monier
1310	G7	Administrative Assistant - (RMCS)	Ms. M. Lefebvre (Post funded by UNEP)
1311	G7	Travel Assistant - (RMCS)	Ms. R. Rabbath (Post funded by UNEP)
1312	G7	Personnel Assistant (RMCS)	Ms. J. Martinez (Post funded by UNEP)
1313	G6	Secretary - (STTM)	Ms. V. Allain
1314	G6	Secretary - (ITS)	Ms. F. Blot
1315	G7	Information Assistant (OES)	Ms. A. Beliaeva
1316	G7	Computer Operations Assistant (OMG)	Mr. V. Gopez

Post #	Level	Title	Staff member
1317	G7	Programme Assistant (OMG)	Mr. J. Hedlund
1318	G4	Messenger/Clerk (RMCS)	Mr. L. Rekik (Post funded by UNEP)
1319	G7	Programme Assistant, (SEL)	Ms. S. Gautreau
BGL 1302	G6	Secretary (Biosafety)	Ms. P. Scarone
1329	G7	Programme Assistant, (OMG)	Ms. X. Liang
1331	G7	Programme Assistant (SEL)	Ms. G. Dosen
1332	G5	Information Assistant - (CS/OMG)	Ms. M. Harrison
1333	G5	Fund Mgmt Assistant - (RMCS)	Ms. X. H. Yan (Post funded by UNEP)
1335	G6	Administrative Assistant (RMCS)	Ms. T. Mazza (Post funded by UNEP)
1336	G6	Finance Assistant (RMCS)	Ms. C. Conlon (Post funded by UNEP)
1337	G6	Conference Assistant – (RMCS)	Ms. T. Zavarzina (Post funded by UNEP)
1350	G7	Programme Assistant – (OES)	Post vacant (recruitment in progress)
1351	G7	Programme Assistant – (OES)	Ms. M. Crespo
1352	G7	Programme Assistant – (OMG)	Ms. F. D'Amico
BGL 1309	G7	Computer Assistant – (Biosafety)	Mr. S. Bilodeau
BGL 1353	G7	Programme Assistant – (Biosafety)	Mr. A. Bowers
1354	G7	Programme Assistant – Liability, Redress & Sustainable Tourism (SEL)	Ms. C. Robichaud
1355	G7	Editorial Assistant (RMCS)	Ms. V. Lefebvre
1356	G7	Travel Assistant – (RMCS)	Ms. N. Al Saheb (Post funded by UNEP)
1357	G7	Meeting Services Assistant	Ms. L. Pedicelli
1358	G7	Programme Assistant (STTM)	Ms. L. Janishevski
1359	G6	Administrative Assistant (RMCS)	Vacant (Post funded by UNEP)

JPOs/L-Posts

Name	Nationality	Seconded from	Arrival date
Michael Hermann	Germany	Bioversity International	12.08.08
Alberto Vega	Spanish/German	Government of Germany	15.11.08
Noriko Moriwake	Japan	Government of Japan	01.11.08
Chikara Hombo	Japan	Government of Japan	31.01.09
Susanne Heitmuller	Germany	Government of Germany	01.03.09
Viviana Figueroa	Argentina	Government of Spain	06.05.09
Jason Spensley	UK	Government of Germany	29.05.09
Matthew Dias	Canada	Government of Germany	05.07.09

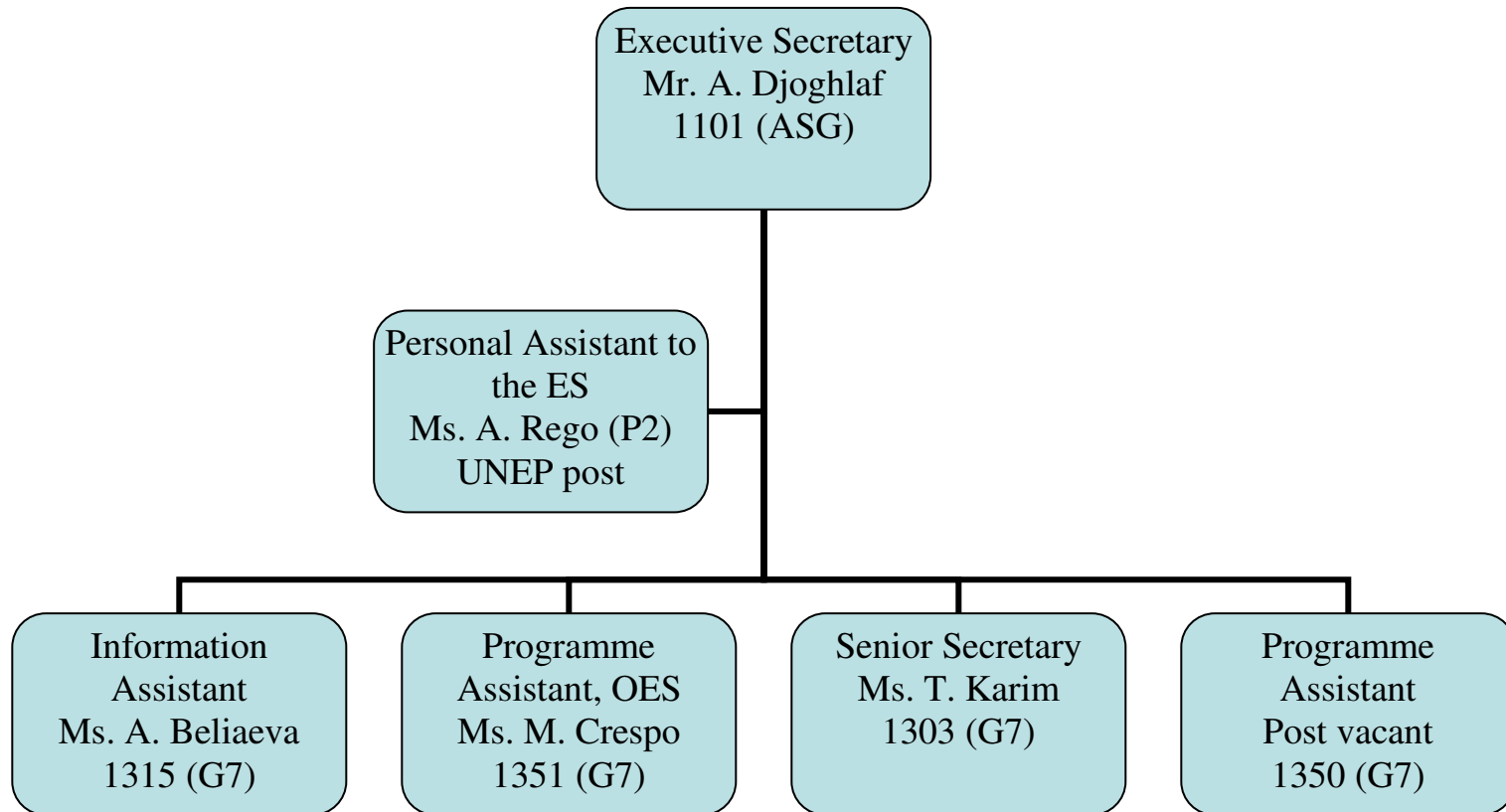
Interns working at SCBD from October to December 2009

Name	Nationality	University	Working on	Arrival date	Departure date
Mai Fuji	Benin	Université Paris	Biosafety.	13.10.09	04.02.10
Julien Caudroit Van Cauwenberghe	French	Universite de Montreal	ITS	26.10.09	15.02.10
Ross Carroll	Canada	University of Bath, UK	BCH Capacity Building	09.11.09	05.02.10
Yoon Jee Kim	Korean	Stanford University	ITS Children and youth	02.11.09	05.03.10
Doyeon Kim	Korean	Yonsei University	ITS IYB.	25.11.09	30.04.10
Nicole De Paula	Brazil	Institut d'Etudes Politiques de Paris	Communication, education and public awareness	05.07.09	02.10.09
Carina Miki	Brazil	McGill University	Sustainable use and Tourism	13.07.09	23.10.09
Bori Kim	Korea	York University	Marine/Coastal and Inland Waters Biodiversity	03.08.09	29.01.10
Luke Harrison	Canada	McGill University	Lifeweb Initiative	24.08.09	27.11.09
Raja Bounatiro	Algeria	Universite du Quebec a Montreal	Protected Areas	01.09.09	30.11.09
Namita Kallianpukar	India	McGill University	Economic, trade and incentive measures, technology transfer	31.08.09	30.11.09

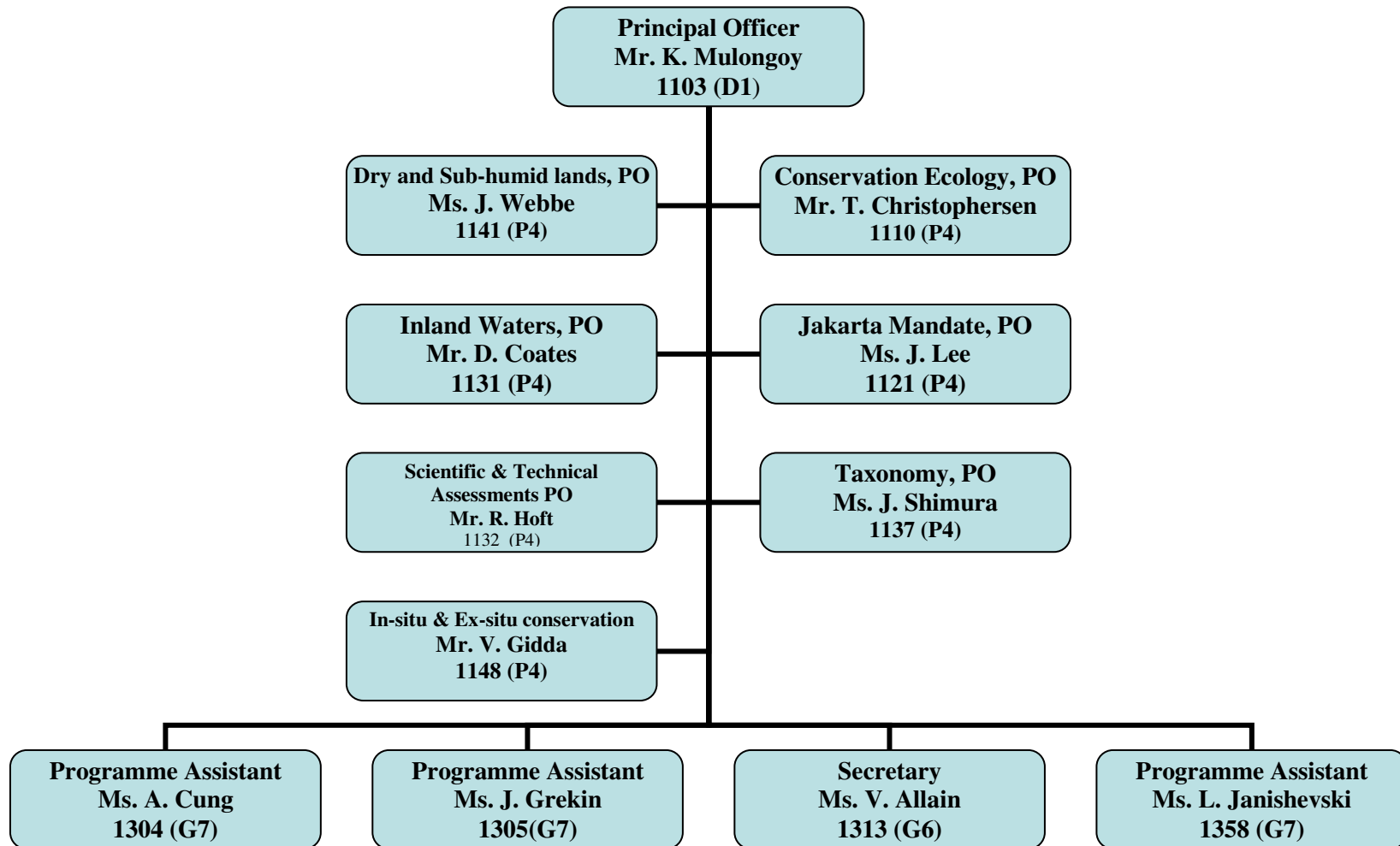
ANNEX III

Organizational Chart of the CBD Secretariat

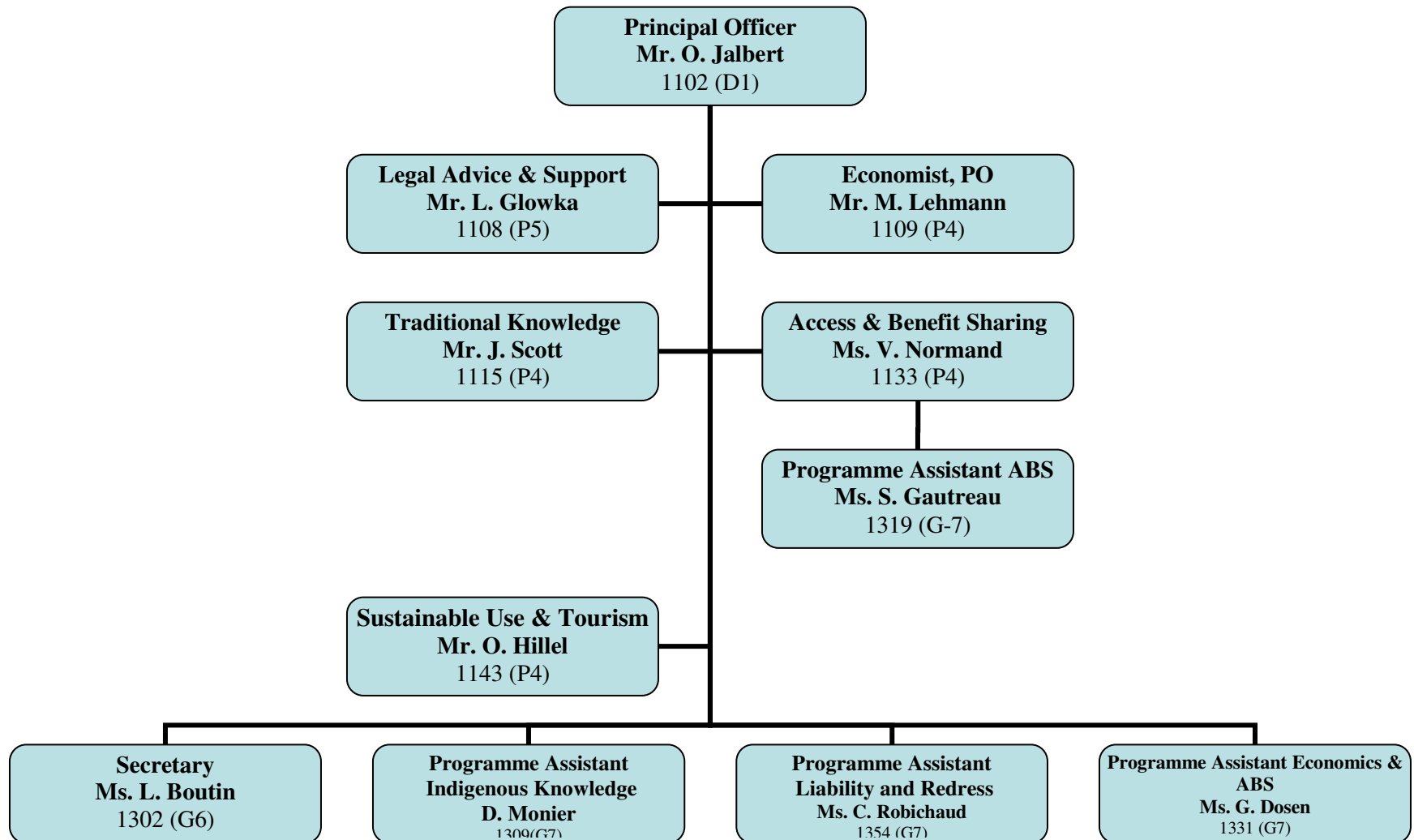
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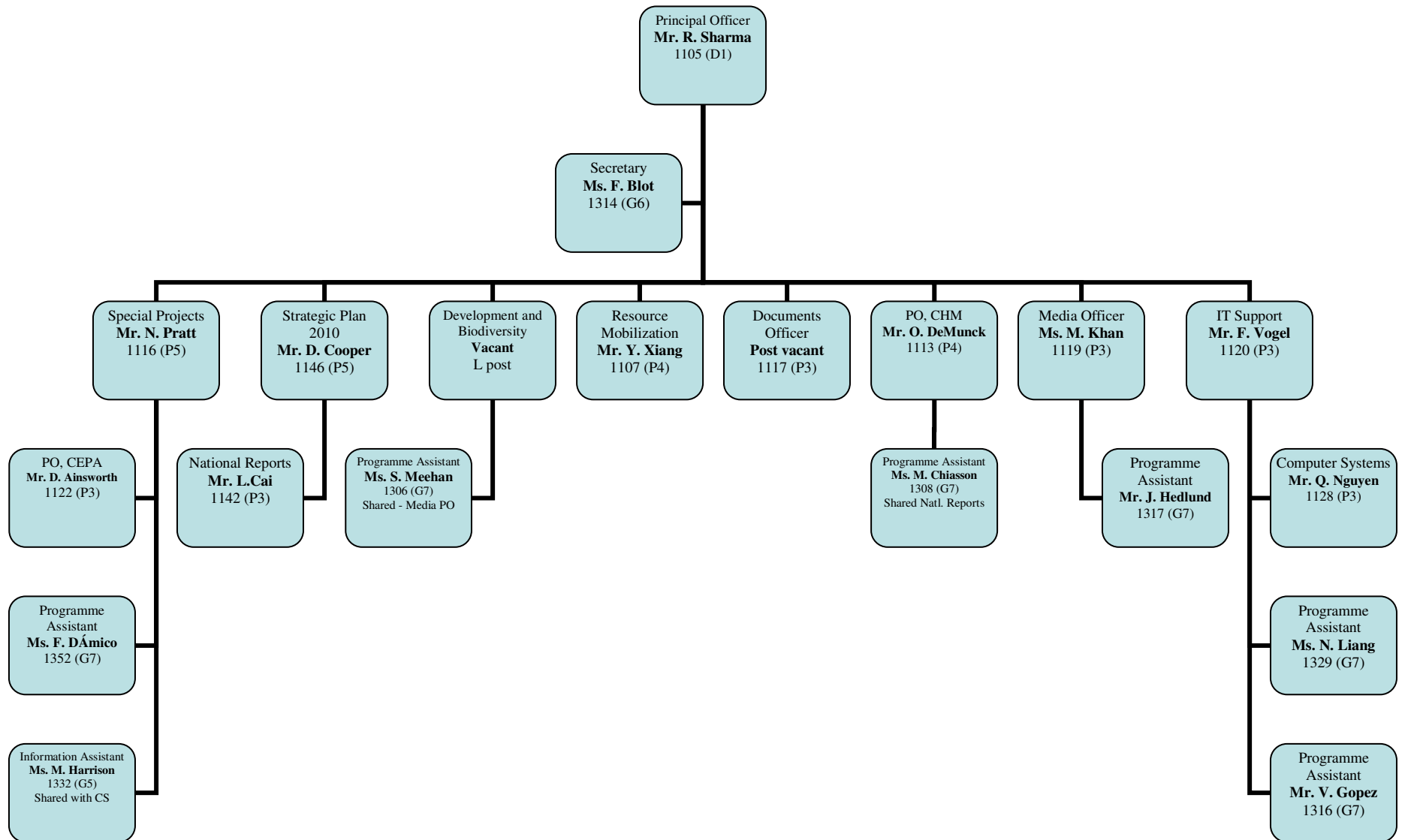
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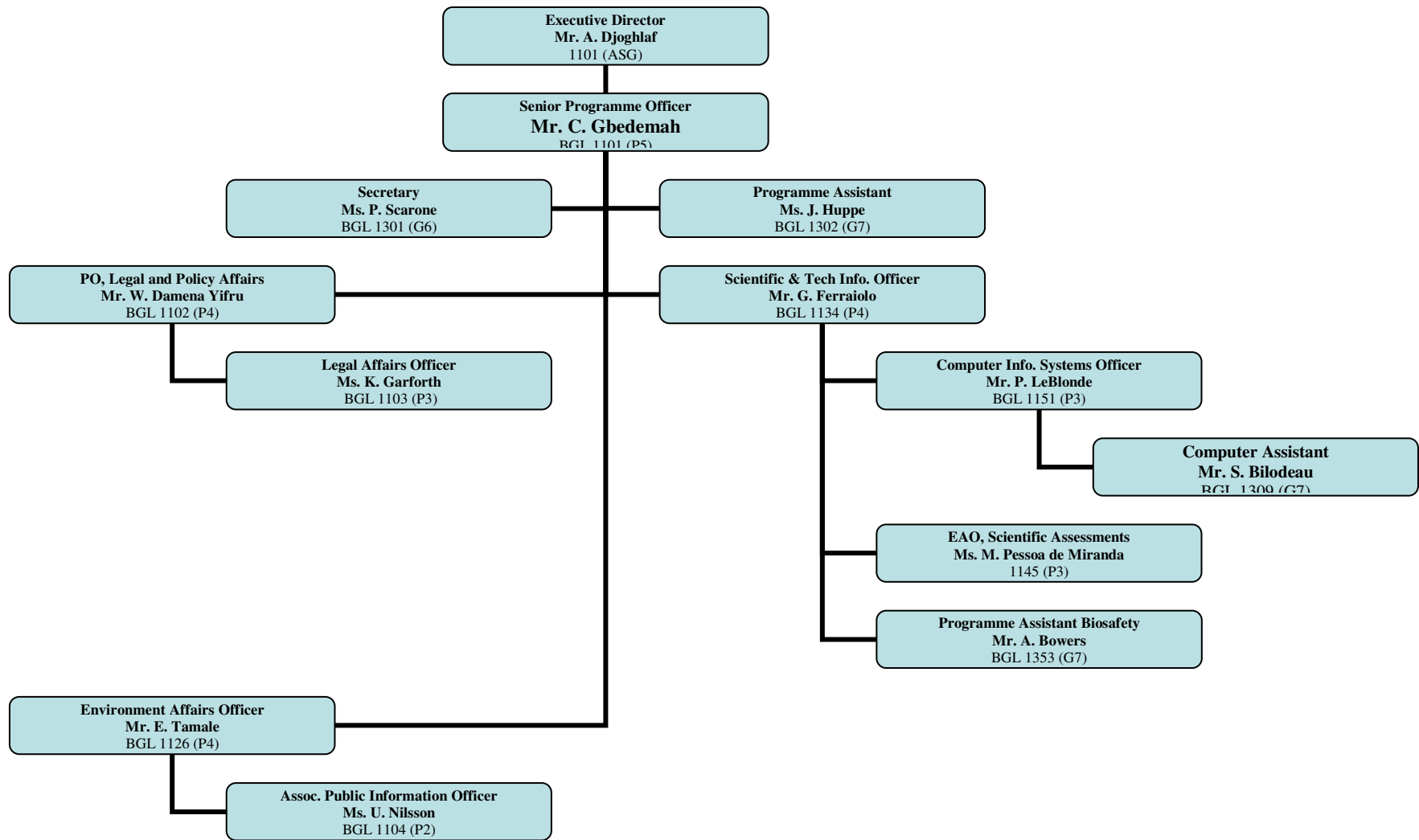
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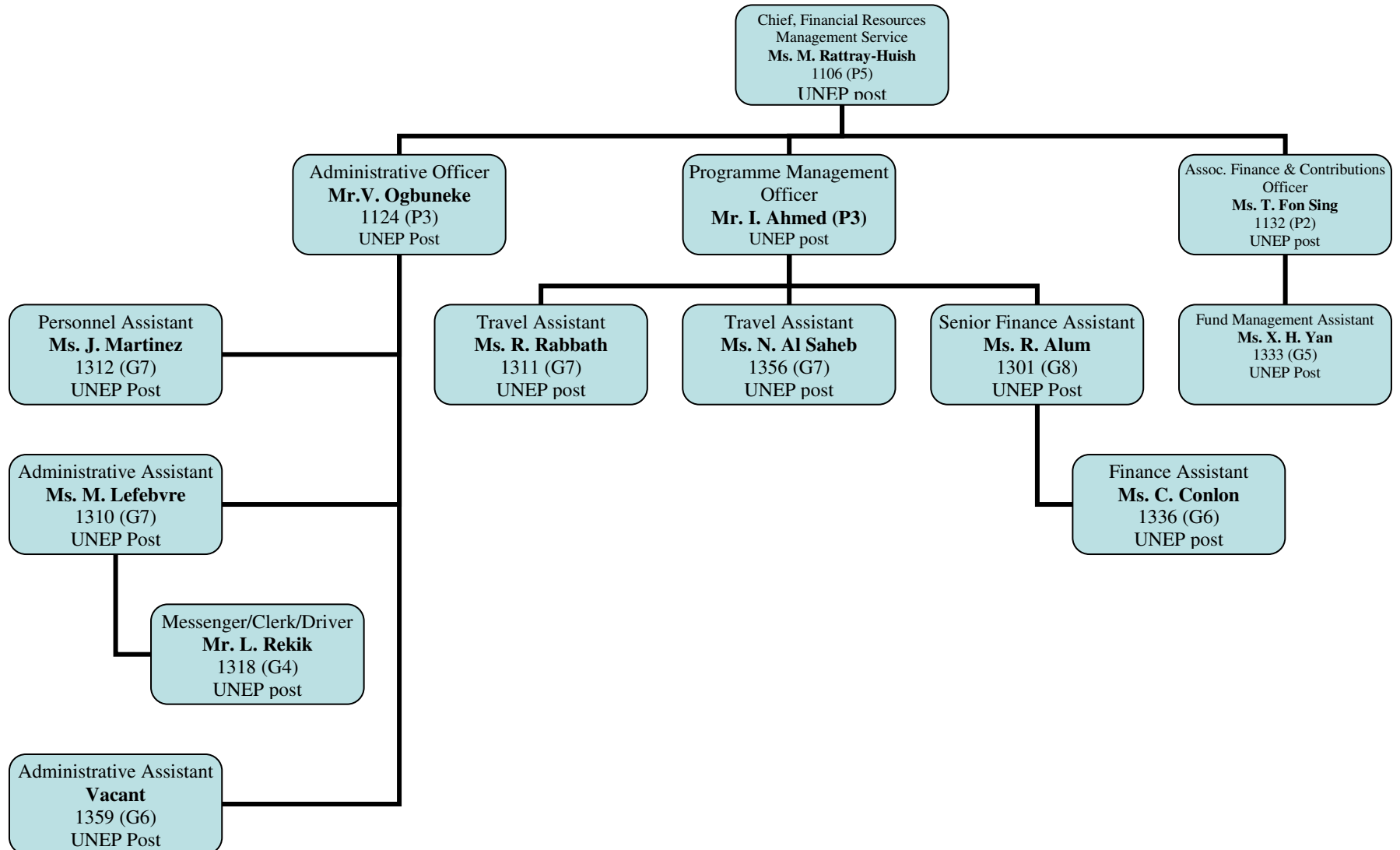
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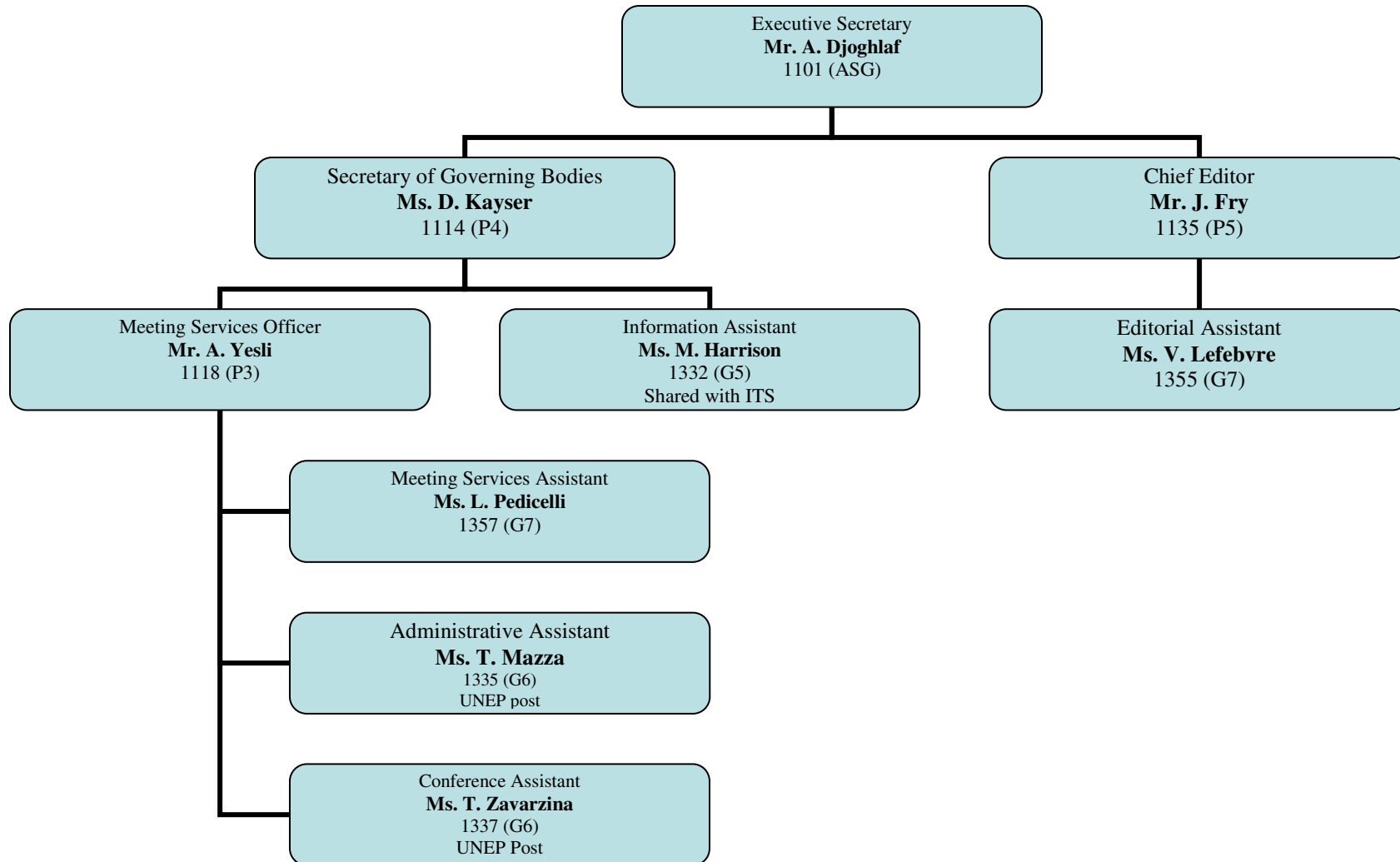
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Resource Management



Conference Services



ANNEX IV

General Trust Fund for Additional Voluntary Contributions in Support of Approved Activities under the Convention on Biological Diversity (BE)

Status of Contribution as at 31 December 2009 (in United States dollars) (Preliminary)

COUNTRIES	Unpaid Pledges as at 31.12.08	Adjustments	Pledges for 2009		Collections in 2009 for prior years	Collections in 2009 for 2009 & future yrs	Unpaid pledges for 2009 & prior years
Belgium	3,836			1/	3,836		(0)
Belgium			38,363	13/		38,363	0
Canada	63,661			2/	63,661		0
Canada			43,518	14/		42,218	1,300
Canada			81,104	15/		81,104	0
Canada			166,667	44/		80,189	86,478
CIFOR			4,000	16/		4,000	0
COMIFAC	32,342			3/	16,469		15,872
EC	59,065			4/			59,065
EC	9,084			5/	9,084		0
EC	74,759			6/			74,759
EC	103,493			7/			103,493
EC			188,953	39/		115,385	73,568
FAO			10,200	42/			10,200
Finland			47,657	9/		47,657	0
Finland			258,893	25/		258,893	0
Finland			7,032	31/		7,032	0
Finland			21,583	36/		21,583	0
France			2,930	34/		2,930	0
France			14,793	40/		14,793	0

COUNTRIES	Unpaid Pledges as at 31.12.08	Adjustments	Pledges for 2009		Collections in 2009 for prior years	Collections in 2009 for 2009 & future yrs	Unpaid pledges for 2009 & prior years
Germany	104,987			8/	104,987		0
Germany			533,339	17/		533,339	0
Germany			60,647	18/		60,647	0
Germany			235,755	19/		235,755	0
Germany			138,558	20/		138,558	0
Germany			80,000	28/		76,854	3,146
Germany			30,000	30/		30,000	0
Germany			7,379	32/		7,379	0
Germany			151,248	35/		151,248	0
Germany			60,000	38/		60,000	0
Germany			90,361	43/		90,361	0
Germany			384,200	47/		111,500	272,700
Heidehof Foundation			41,491	33/		14,535	26,956
Instituto do Mar			5,997	29/		5,997	0
Japan			114,203	21/		114,203	0
Japan			50,000	22/		50,000	0
Japan			20,000	23/		20,000	0
Japan			100,000	37/			100,000
Japan			100,000	49/			100,000
Kew Gardens			3,158	24/		3,158	0
Netherlands			493,827	27/			493,827
Norway			79,940	26/		79,940	0
Norway			347,615	41/		347,615	0

COUNTRIES	Unpaid Pledges as at 31.12.08	Adjustments	Pledges for 2009		Collections in 2009 for prior years	Collections in 2009 for 2009 & future yrs	Unpaid pledges for 2009 & prior years
Spain			2,048,193	46/		2,048,193	0
Switzerland			49,975	45/		49,975	0
UK	200,000			10/	200,000		0
UK	15,606			11/	15,606		0
UK	14,468			12/	14,468		0
WCMC			8,000	48/			8,000
Total	681,301		6,119,581		428,111	4,943,404	1,429,366

1/Belgium pledged EUR 15,000 and the Flemish Government EUR 30,000, towards the AHTEG on Biodiversity and Climate Change

2/Canada pledged Cdn\$ 79,500 for the AHTEG on Access and Benefit Sharing, Namibia, 2 - 5 December 2008

3/COMIFAC pledged EUR 25,000 towards the Poverty Alleviation Project

4/EC pledged EUR 50,000 towards the Expert Workshop on Protected Areas, Curitiba, Brazil, 17-18 March 2006

5/EC pledged US\$ 214,334 towards Various Approved Activities

6/EC pledged EUR 220,000 - Contribution Agreement No. 21.0401/2007/487777/SUB/E2

7/EC pledged EUR 400,000 - Contribution Agreement No. 21.0401/2008/514760/SUB/E2

8/Germany pledged EUR 110,000 towards the improvement of the CBD website content on Protected Areas

9/Finland pledged EUR 35,149 towards the 2nd Meeting of the AHTEG on Biodiversity and Climate Change, Helsinki, Finland, 18-22 April 2009

10/UK pledged US\$ 200,000 towards GBO-3

11/UK pledged GBP 10,000 towards the AHTEG Climate Change and Biodiversity

12/UK pledged GBP 10,000 in support of the CBD Gender Plan of Action

13/Belgium pledged EUR 30,000 towards the Global Life Web Project

14/Canada pledged Cdn\$ 47,000 towards the Marine Expert Meeting on Ecologically and Biologically Significant Areas

15/Canada pledged Cdn\$ 100,000 for the 2010 Target, NBSAPs and IYB

16/CIFOR pledged US\$ 4,000 towards the printing of the CBD Technical Series # 33 on Bushmeat , in English and Spanish

17/Germany pledged EUR 397,640 towards the Life Web Initiative, for 2009

18/Germany pledged EUR 46,213 towards the COP Bureau Meeting, Nairobi, Kenya, 13 February 2009

19/Germany pledged US\$ 235,755 for an SCBD Liaison Officer, for 2009

20/Germany pledged EUR 108,352 towards the High Level Working Group Meeting on 2010 Biodiversity Target and Post 2010 Target, Bonn, Germany, 9 -10 March 2009

21/City of Nagoya, Japan pledged US\$ 114,203 towards the secondment of Mr. Chikara Hombo

COUNTRIES	Unpaid Pledges as at 31.12.08	Adjustments	Pledges for 2009	Collections in 2009 for prior years	Collections in 2009 for 2009 & future yrs	Unpaid pledges for 2009 & prior years
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- 22/Japan pledged US\$ 50,000 towards the Conference Costs of ABS-9
- 23/Japan pledged US\$ 20,000 towards the organization of SBSTTA-14 Meeting, Nairobi, Kenya, May 2010
- 24/Royal Botanic Gardens pledged GBP 2,000 for the Travel costs of delegates from Tropical African Countries
- 25/Finland pledged EUR 196,500 towards the Gender Issues & Desertification Activities
- 26/Norway pledged NOK 530,000 for the support of Expert and Regional Meetings
- 27/Netherlands pledged US\$ 493,826.75 towards the 2009 Workplan for activities under the Letter of Intent
- 28/Germany pledged US\$ 80,000 towards the Forest Biodiversity and Climate Workshop, Singapore, 16-19 September 2009
- 29/Instituto do Mar, Portugal, pledged US\$ 5,997 towards the Production of Azores Brochure
- 30/Germany pledged US\$ 30,000 towards the Marine Expert Workshop on bio-geographic classification systems, Ottawa, Canada, 29 September to 2 October 2009
- 31/Finland pledged EUR 5,000 towards the Drafting Committee Meeting for the AHTEG on Biodiversity and Climate Change, Cape Town, South Africa, 20-24 July 2009
- 32/Germany pledged EUR 5,254 for the COP-9 Bureau Meeting, Stromstad, Sweden, 9-10 September 2009
- 33/Heidehof Foundation pledged EUR 29,500 towards the 2nd CBD Indigenous Tourism and Biodiversity Award
- 34/France pledged EUR 2,036 towards the Marine Expert Workshop Reception
- 35/Germany pledged EUR 100,429 for the Workshop on Innovative Financial Mechanisms, Bonn, Germany, 27-29 January 2010
- 36/Finland pledged EUR 15,000 towards the IUCN World Commission on Protected Areas
- 37/Japan pledged US\$ 100,000 towards the production of GBO-3
- 38/Germany pledged US\$ 60,000 towards the Regional Workshops on Protected Areas
- 39/EC pledged EUR 130,000 - Contribution Agreement No. 21.0401/2009/540979/SUB/E2
- 40/France pledged EUR 10,000 towards the French translation of CBD Website
- 41/Norway pledged NOK 2,000,000 for the support of Activities of the CBD Secretariat
- 42/FAO pledged US\$ 10,200 towards the Biodiversity Educational Materials/Green Wave
- 43/Germany pledged EUR 60,000 towards the Regional Workshop in Africa on Biofuels, Accra, Ghana, 8-10 December 2009
- 44/Canada pledged Cdn\$ 175,000 towards the Implementation of the CBD
- 45/Switzerland pledged US\$ 50,000 for the preparation of the high-level special session on Biodiversity at the 65th session of the UNGA
- 46/Spain pledged EUR 1,360,000 for Additional Approved Activities
- 47/Germany pledged US\$ 384,200 towards the Conference Costs of ABS-9
- 48/World Conservation Monitoring Centre pledged US\$ 8,000 towards the publication of Technical Series 45 and 46 on Ocean Fertilization and Ocean Acidification scientific synthesis
- 49/Japan pledged US\$ 100,000 towards the activities on the International Year of Biodiversity

ANNEX V

General Trust Fund for Additional Voluntary Contributions to Facilitate the Participation of Parties in the Process of the Convention on Biological Diversity (BZ)

Status as at 31 December 2009 (in United States dollars) (Preliminary)

COUNTRIES	Unpaid Pledges as at 31.12.08	Adjustments		Pledges for 2009	Collections in 2009 for prior years	Collections in 2009 for 2009 & fut yrs	Unpaid pledges for 2009 & prior years
Denmark	27,076		1/				27,076
Denmark			6/	57,034		57,034	0
EC	95,270		2/				95,270
EC			8/	352,518		217,456	135,062
Finland			4/	13,263		13,263	0
France			10/	30,120		30,120	
Germany			3/	200,552		200,552	0
Germany			7/	75,592		75,592	0
Norway			5/	75,415		75,415	0
Norway			9/	71,175		71,175	0
Total	122,346		0	875,669	0	740,607	257,408

1/Denmark pledged DKK 150,000 towards the SBSTTA 12 Meeting and the 2nd Meeting of the Ad Hoc Open-Ended Working Group on Review of Implementation of the Convention, Paris, France, 2-13 July 2007

2/EC pledged EUR 360,000 - Contribution Agreement No. 21.0401/2007/487777/SUB/E2

3/Germany pledged EUR 150,000 towards the 7th, 8th and 9th Access and Benefit-Sharing Meetings

4/Finland pledged EUR 10,000 towards the 8th Access and Benefit Sharing and towards the Art 8(j)-6 Meetings

5/Norway pledged NOK 500,000 to support the Developing Country Participants to the Working Group Meetings under the Convention on Biological Diversity

6/Denmark pledged DKK 300,000 for: ABS-8, Art 8(j)-6, SBSTTA-14, WGRI-3 and COP-10 Meetings

7/Germany pledged EUR 51,100 towards the Art 8(j)-6 Meeting

8/EC pledged EUR 245,000 - Contribution Agreement No. 21.0401/2009/540979/SUB/E2

9/Norway pledged NOK 400,000 towards: the ABS-9 and Preparatory Meeting

10/France pledged EUR 20,000 towards: the ABS-9 Meeting

ANNEX VI

General Trust Fund for the Convention on Biological Diversity (BY)
as at 31 December 2009 (Preliminary)

Countries	Unpaid Pledges as at 31/12/08	Pledges for 2009	Collections in 2008 for 2009 & future yrs	Collections in 2009 for prior yrs	Collections During 2009 for 2009 & future yrs	Unpaid Pledges for Prior Years	Unpaid Pledges for 2009	Unpaid Pledges for 2009 & Prior years
	US \$	US \$	US \$	US \$	US \$	US \$	US \$	US \$
Afghanistan	0	129	431			0	(302)	(302)
Albania	0	776			1,622	0	(846)	(846)
Algeria	0	10,989	22,968			0	(11,979)	(11,979)
Angola	0	388	1,958			0	(1,570)	(1,570)
Antigua & Barbuda	0	259				0	259	259
Argentina	0	42,019				0	42,019	42,019
Armenia	0	259			259	0	0	0
Australia	0	231,038	231,038		251,831	0	(251,831)	(251,831)
Austria	0	114,679	114,679		125,000	0	(125,000)	(125,000)
Azerbaijan	0	646			646	0	0	0
Bahamas	0	2,069	2,069		2,255	0	(2,255)	(2,255)
Bahrain	0	4,267	8,917			0	(4,650)	(4,650)
Bangladesh	0	1,051	925		940	0	(814)	(814)
Barbados	0	1,164	1,164			0	0	0
Belarus	31,062	2,586		2,819	2,586	28,243	0	28,243
Belgium	0	142,476			142,476	0	0	0
Belize	215	129		215	614	0	(485)	(485)
Benin	0	129	270			0	(141)	(141)
Bhutan	0	129	270			0	(141)	(141)
Bolivia	1,678	776		788		890	776	1,666
Bosnia & Herzegovina	0	776			1,622	0	(846)	(846)
Botswana	0	1,810	3,783			0	(1,973)	(1,973)

Countries	Unpaid Pledges as at 31/12/08	Pledges for 2009	Collections in 2008 for 2009 & future yrs	Collections in 2009 for prior yrs	Collections During 2009 for 2009 & future yrs	Unpaid Pledges for Prior Years	Unpaid Pledges for 2009	Unpaid Pledges for 2009 & Prior years
Brazil	27,325	113,256		27,325	129,027	0	(15,771)	(15,771)
Brunei Darussalam	0	3,361				0	3,361	3,361
Bulgaria	0	2,586			2,586	0	0	0
Burkina Faso	653	259		653	31	(0)	228	228
Burundi	1,006	129				1,006	129	1,135
Cambodia	0	129	329			0	(200)	(200)
Cameroon	374	1,164				374	1,164	1,538
Canada	0	384,891	384,891		419,531	0	(419,531)	(419,531)
Cape Verde	3,856	129				3,856	129	3,985
Central African Rep.	221	129				221	129	350
Chad	108	129		108	270	0	(141)	(141)
Chile	0	20,815			20,815	0	0	0
China	0	344,812			344,812	0	0	0
Colombia	0	13,575			13,575	0	0	0
Comoros	3,114	129				3,114	129	3,243
Congo	233	129				233	129	362
Congo Dem. Rep.	6,138	388				6,138	388	6,526
Cook Islands	0	129				0	129	129
Costa Rica	5,052	4,137		2,300		2,752	4,137	6,889
Cote d'Ivoire	2,147	1,164				2,147	1,164	3,311
Croatia	0	6,464			6,464	0	0	0
Cuba	33,928	6,982				33,928	6,982	40,910
Cyprus	0	5,689			5,689	0	0	0
Czech Republic	0	36,330	75,930			0	(39,600)	(39,600)
Denmark	30	95,544		30	199,687	0	(104,143)	(104,143)
Djibouti	516	129				516	129	645
Dominica	449	129				449	129	578
Dominica Rep.	20	3,103				20	3,103	3,123
Ecuador	0	2,715			2,715	0	0	0

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EEC	40	262,645		40	262,645	0	0	0
Egypt	0	11,377	13,204			0	(1,827)	(1,827)
El Salvador	2,421	2,586				2,421	2,586	5,007
Equatorial Guinea	620	259				620	259	879
Eritrea	0	129	300			0	(171)	(171)
Estonia	0	2,069	2,069		2,255	0	(2,255)	(2,255)
Ethiopia	0	388	388		423	0	(423)	(423)
Fiji	0	388	3,504			0	(3,116)	(3,116)
Finland	0	72,919	72,919		79,481	0	(79,481)	(79,481)
France	0	814,645			814,645	0	0	0
Gabon	0	1,034	23,389			0	(22,355)	(22,355)
Gambia	0	129	332			0	(203)	(203)
Georgia	0	388	388		423	0	(423)	(423)
Germany	0	1,108,905			1,108,905	0	0	0
Ghana	2,629	517				2,629	517	3,146
Greece	0	77,056			77,056	0	0	0
Grenada	0	129				0	129	129
Guatemala	3,301	4,137				3,301	4,137	7,438
Guinea	1,551	129				1,551	129	1,680
Guinea-Bissau	2,635	129				2,635	129	2,764
Guyana	0	129	319			0	(190)	(190)
Haiti	646	259				646	259	905
Honduras	24	646			646	24	0	24
Hungary	0	31,546	31,546			0	0	0
Iceland	0	4,784	4,784		5,214	0	(5,214)	(5,214)
India	0	58,180			58,145	0	35	35
Indonesia	0	20,815	20,815		22,689	0	(22,689)	(22,689)
Iran	65,740	23,272		18,613		47,127	23,272	70,399
Iraq		356					356	356

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Ireland	0	57,533	57,507		62,709	0	(62,683)	(62,683)
Israel	0	54,172				0	54,172	54,172
Italy	0	656,655	656,645		715,763	0	(715,753)	(715,753)
Jamaica	0	1,293			2,702	0	(1,409)	(1,409)
Japan	0	2,311,272			2,311,272	0	0	0
Jordan	0	1,551			1,551	0	0	0
Kazakhstan	2,841	3,749		2,725		116	3,749	3,865
Kenya	0	1,293			2,702	0	(1,409)	(1,409)
Kiribati	0	129	245		25	0	(141)	(141)
Korea, Dem. People's Rep.	2,215	905				2,215	905	3,120
Korea, Rep. of	119,020	280,943				119,020	280,943	399,963
Kuwait	0	23,530			23,530	0	0	0
Kyrgyzstan	0	129	485			0	(356)	(356)
Lao PDR	0	129	270			0	(141)	(141)
Latvia	0	2,327	2,327		2,537	0	(2,537)	(2,537)
Lebanon	8,857	4,396		2,485		6,372	4,396	10,768
Lesotho	0	129	1			0	128	128
Liberia	0	129				0	129	129
Libya	58,828	8,016				58,828	8,016	66,844
Liechtenstein	0	1,293			1,293	0	0	0
Lithuania	0	4,008			4,008	0	0	0
Luxembourg	0	10,989			10,989	0	0	0
Macedonia, TFYR	0	646			646	0	0	0
Madagascar	0	259	541			0	(282)	(282)
Malawi	0	129				0	129	129
Malaysia	0	24,565	24,550		26,791	0	(26,776)	(26,776)
Maldives	0	129			270	0	(141)	(141)
Mali	0	129	18			0	111	111

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Malta	0	2,198			4,594	0	(2,396)	(2,396)
Marshall Island	215	129				215	129	344
Mauritania	1,945	129				1,945	129	2,074
Mauritius	0	1,422			1,422	0	0	0
Mexico	13,674	291,803				13,674	291,803	305,477
Micronesia, Fed. States	215	129				215	129	344
Moldova, Rep. of	0	129			270	0	(141)	(141)
Monaco	0	388			388	0	0	0
Mongolia	0	129	270			0	(141)	(141)
Montenegro	0	129			245	0	(116)	(116)
Morocco	10,124	5,430		10,124	5,828	0	(398)	(398)
Mozambique	0	129	270			0	(141)	(141)
Myanmar	478	646		478	1,371	0	(725)	(725)
Namibia	0	776	776		846	0	(846)	(846)
Nauru	3,234	129				3,234	129	3,363
Nepal	772	388				772	388	1,160
Netherlands	0	242,157			242,136	0	21	21
New Zealand	0	33,098	33,098		36,077	0	(36,077)	(36,077)
Nicaragua	215	259				215	259	474
Niger	2,970	129				2,970	129	3,099
Nigeria	0	6,206				0	6,206	6,206
Niue	332	129		332	270	0	(141)	(141)
Norway	0	101,103			101,103	0	0	0
Oman	0	9,438	9,438		10,287	0	(10,287)	(10,287)
Pakistan	365	7,628		365	5,362	(0)	2,266	2,266
Palau	8	129				8	129	137
Panama	1,485	2,974		1,485	2,974	0	0	0
Papua New Guinea	646	259				646	259	905
Paraguay	14,102	646				14,102	646	14,748

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Peru	70,084	10,084				70,084	10,084	80,168
Philippines	8,669	10,084		8,669	20,094	0	(10,010)	(10,010)
Poland	0	64,773			64,773	0	0	0
Portugal	0	68,135				0	68,135	68,135
Qatar	0	10,989			10,989	0	0	0
Romania	0	9,050			9,050	0	0	0
Russian Federation	0	155,146			155,116	0	30	30
Rwanda	0	129				0	129	129
Saint Vincent & Grenadines	2,285	129				2,285	129	2,414
Samoa	240	129		240	211	0	(82)	(82)
San Marino	0	388			388	0	0	0
Sao Tome Principe	787	129				787	129	916
Saudi Arabia	78,455	96,708		78,455	96,678	0	30	30
Senegal	0	517	2,423			0	(1,906)	(1,906)
Serbia		2,715			2,715	0	0	0
Seychelles	0	259	65			0	194	194
Sierra Leone	512	129				512	129	641
Singapore	0	44,863	44,843		20	0	0	0
Slovak	0	8,145	8,145		8,878	0	(8,878)	(8,878)
Slovenia	0	12,412			25,914	0	(13,502)	(13,502)
Solomon Is.	0	129			270	0	(141)	(141)
Somalia	0	8				0	8	8
South Africa	0	37,494			78,362	0	(40,868)	(40,868)
Spain	0	383,727			383,727	0	0	0
Sri Lanka	1,791	2,069				1,791	2,069	3,860
St. Lucia	5	129		5	110	0	19	19
St. Kitts & Nevis	0	129				0	129	129
Sudan	8,421	1,051				8,421	1,051	9,472

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Suriname	0	129	1,487			0	(1,358)	(1,358)
Swaziland	431	259		431	541	0	(282)	(282)
Sweden	0	138,468				0	138,468	138,468
Switzerland	0	157,214	157,189		171,364	0	(171,339)	(171,339)
Syria	0	2,069			2,007	0	62	62
Tajikistan	0	129	437			0	(308)	(308)
Thailand	0	24,048			20,347	0	3,701	3,701
Timor - Leste	213	129		213	129	0	0	0
Togo	18	129				18	129	147
Tonga	10	129				10	129	139
Trinidad & Tobago	0	3,491			3,491	0	0	0
Tunisia	0	4,008			8,377	0	(4,369)	(4,369)
Turkey	0	49,259			49,259	0	0	0
Turkmenistan	550	776				550	776	1,326
Tuvalu	0	129	393			0	(264)	(264)
U. K.	0	858,732			858,732	0	0	0
Uganda	0	388	2,689			0	(2,301)	(2,301)
Ukraine	0	5,818			5,818	0	0	0
Un.Rep. of Tanzania	0	776	16,827			0	(16,051)	(16,051)
United Arab Emirates	95	39,045			39,020	95	25	120
Uruguay	0	3,491				0	3,491	3,491
Uzbekistan	11,959	1,034			1,006	11,959	28	11,987
Vanuatu	0	129				0	129	129
Venezuela	1,085	25,858		1,085		0	25,858	25,858
Viet Nam	0	3,103			6,485	0	(3,382)	(3,382)
Yemen	8,344	905				8,344	905	9,249
Zambia	0	129	746			0	(617)	(617)
Zimbabwe	0	1,034	444		1,717	0	(1,127)	(1,127)
Sub Total	634,228	10,506,136	2,045,707	159,983	9,713,129	474,245	(1,252,700)	(778,455)

Countries	Unpaid Pledges as at 31/12/08	Pledges for 2009	Collections in 2008 for 2009 & future yrs	Collections in 2009 for prior yrs	Collections During 2009 for 2009 & future yrs	Unpaid Pledges for Prior Years	Unpaid Pledges for 2009	Unpaid Pledges for 2009 & Prior years
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Additional Contributions								
Canada	0	673,866			673,866	0	0	0
Quebec	0	212,240			212,400	0	(160)	(160)
Grand Total	634,228	11,392,242	2,045,707	159,983	10,599,395	474,245	(1,252,860)	(778,615)

ANNEX VII

General Trust Fund for the Core Budget of the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety
as at 31 December 2009 (Preliminary)

Countries	Unpaid Pledges as at 31/12/08	Pledges for 2009	Collections in 2008 for 2009 & future yrs	Collections in 2009 for prior yrs	Collections During 2009 for 2009 & future yrs	Unpaid Pledges for Prior Years	Unpaid Pledges for 2009	Unpaid Pledges for 2009 & Prior years
	US\$	US\$		US\$	US\$	US\$	US\$	US\$
Albania	0	166			369	0	(203)	(203)
Algeria	0	2,357	2,357			0	0	0
Antigua and Barbuda	184	55		184	122	0	(67)	(67)
Armenia	52	55		52	55	0	0	0
Austria	0	24,589	24,589		29,945	0	(29,945)	(29,945)
Azerbaijan	542	139		542	139	0	0	0
Bahamas	0	444	444		542	0	(542)	(542)
Bangladesh	756	196				756	196	952
Barbados	0	249	544			0	(295)	(295)
Belarus	0	555			531	0	24	24
Belgium	262	30,549		262	30,549	0	0	0
Belize	61	28		61	28	0	0	0
Benin	0	28	28			0	0	0
Bhutan	0	28	30		32	0	(34)	(34)
Bolivia	551	166				551	166	717
Botswana	0	388	338		998	0	(948)	(948)
Brazil	39,889	24,181		39,889	24,181	0	0	0
Bulgaria	0	555			555	0	0	0
Burkina Faso	0	55	353			0	(298)	(298)
Burundi	0	28				0	28	28
Cambodia	0	28	28			0	0	0

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Cameroon	1,000	250				1,000	250	1,250
Cape Verde	89	28				89	28	117
Central African Rep.	0	24				0	24	24
Chad	28	28		28	44	0	(16)	(16)
China	0	74,016			74,332	0	(316)	(316)
Colombia	0	2,903			2,903	0	0	0
Comoros	0	14			15	0	(1)	(1)
Congo	85	28				85	28	113
Costa Rica	1,529	889				1,529	889	2,418
Croatia	0	1,388			1,388	0	0	0
Cuba	5,372	1,498				5,372	1,498	6,870
Cyprus	0	1,220			1,220	0	0	0
Czech Republic	0	7,804	7,804		9,532	0	(9,532)	(9,532)
Democratic Republic Of Congo	328	83		328	63	0	20	20
Denmark	43,912	20,486		43,912	20,486	0	0	0
Djibouti	124	28				124	28	152
Dominica	124	28				124	28	152
Dominican Republic	0	664				0	664	664
Ecuador	0	582			561	0	21	21
Egypt	0	2,451	354			0	2,097	2,097
El Salvador	576	554				576	554	1,130
Eritrea	0	28	28			0	0	0
Estonia	0	444	444		543	0	(543)	(543)
Ethiopia	0	83	201			0	(118)	(118)
European Community	35	48,924		35	48,924	0	0	0
Fiji	245	83		245	63	0	20	20
Finland	0	15,637	15,637		19,441	0	(19,441)	(19,441)

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France	0	174,688			174,688	0	0	0
Gabon	383	222				383	222	605
Gambia	0	28	30			0	(2)	(2)
Georgia	0	76			179	0	(103)	(103)
Germany	0	237,717	237,717		289,297	0	(289,297)	(289,297)
Ghana	500	111		500	111	0	0	0
Greece	0	16,530			16,530	0	0	0
Grenada	124	28				124	28	152
Guatemala	0	887				0	887	887
Guinea	64	28				64	28	92
Guyana	14	28		14	62	0	(34)	(34)
Honduras	0	122				0	122	122
Hungary	0	6,781	6,781			0	0	0
India	20	12,477			12,477	20	0	20
Indonesia	0	4,465	4,191		5,720	0	(5,446)	(5,446)
Iran	19,616	4,993		9,602		10,014	4,993	15,007
Ireland	0	12,349	12,349		15,082	0	(15,082)	(15,082)
Italy	0	140,805	140,805				0	0
Japan	0	430,531			430,531	0	0	0
Jordan	0	333			333	0	0	0
Kazakhstan	43	808		43	629	0	179	179
Kenya	0	277			532	0	(255)	(255)
Kiribati	0	28	30		32	0	(34)	(34)
Korea, Democratic Republic	1,250	194				1,250	194	1,444
Korea, Republic of	0	60,564	60,564		66,377	0	(66,377)	(66,377)
Kyrgyzstan	0	28	28		34	0	(34)	(34)

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Lao People's Dem. Rep.	165	27				165	27	192
Latvia	0	499	499			0	0	0
Lesotho	0	28	37			0	(9)	(9)
Liberia	0	28				0	28	28
Libya	13,033	1,708				13,033	1,708	14,741
Lithuania	0	860			1,911	0	(1,051)	(1,051)
Luxembourg	0	2,357			2,357	0	0	0
Macedonia, TFYR	0	138				0	138	138
Madagascar	0	55	55			0	0	0
Malawi	0	17				0	17	17
Malaysia	0	5,264	5,264		6,400	0	(6,400)	(6,400)
Maldives	0	28	28			0	0	0
Mali	60	28				60	28	88
Malta	0	472			472	0	0	0
Marshall Islands	124	28				124	28	152
Mauritania	95	28				95	28	123
Mauritius	0	305	325		351	0	(371)	(371)
Mexico	0	62,615	55,574		83,459	0	(76,418)	(76,418)
Mongolia	61	28				61	28	89
Montenegro	80	28				80	28	108
Mozambique	0	28	28		30	0	(30)	(30)
Myanmar	166	139				166	139	305
Namibia	0	166				0	166	166
Nauru	124	28				124	28	152
Netherlands	0	51,942				0	51,942	51,942
New Zealand	13,716	7,101		13,716	15,904	0	(8,803)	(8,803)
Nicaragua	0	56				0	56	56

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Niger	124	28				124	28	152
Nigeria	814	1,331				814	1,331	2,145
Niue	19	28		19	28	0	0	0
Norway	0	21,691			48,149	0	(26,458)	(26,458)
Oman	0	2,024	2,024			0	0	0
Pakistan	0	967				0	967	967
Palau	124	28				124	28	152
Panama	374	638		374	638	0	0	0
Papua New Guinea	270	55		270	55	0	0	0
Paraguay	1,499	138				1,499	138	1,637
Peru	11,495	2,160				11,495	2,160	13,655
Philippines	5,995	2,159		5,995	2,159	0	0	0
Poland	22	13,892		22	13,892	0	0	0
Portugal	12,310	14,616		12,310	14,616	0	0	0
Qatar	0	2,364	5,382			0	(3,018)	(3,018)
Republic of Moldova	0	28			28	0	0	0
Romania	0	1,942			1,942	0	0	0
Rwanda	0	28	28			0	0	0
Saint Kitts and Nevis	0	28	28		34	0	(34)	(34)
Saint Lucia	0	28	17		53	0	(42)	(42)
Saint Vincent & Gren.	124	28				124	28	152
Samoa	26	28		26	62	0	(34)	(34)
Saudi Arabia	0	20,831	21,136			0	(305)	(305)
Senegal	471	111				471	111	582
Serbia	0	582				0	582	582
Seychelles	0	55	55			0	0	0
Slovakia	0	1,748	1,748		2,134	0	(2,134)	(2,134)
Slovenia	0	2,663	2,663		3,249	0	(3,249)	(3,249)

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Solomon Islands	124	28		124	28	0	0	0
South Africa	0	8,038			8,038	0	0	0
Spain	0	82,333			82,333	0	0	0
Sri Lanka	0	443	888			0	(445)	(445)
Sudan	617	196				617	196	813
Suriname	0	28	30			0	(2)	(2)
Swaziland	0	55			55	0	0	0
Sweden	0	29,696			29,825	0	(129)	(129)
Switzerland	0	33,707	33,707		41,013	0	(41,013)	(41,013)
Syria	0	440				0	440	440
Tajikistan	124	28		100		24	28	52
Thailand	0	5,152			5,152	0	0	0
Togo	124	28		124	8	0	20	20
Tonga	26	28				26	28	54
Trinidad and Tobago	0	749			749	0	0	0
Tunisia	0	859			859	0	0	0
Turkey	0	10,562			10,562	0	0	0
Turkmenistan	15	167				15	167	182
Uganda	0	83	690		1,760	0	(2,367)	(2,367)
Ukraine	0	1,248			1,248	0	0	0
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	0	184,177	184,177			0	0	0
United Republic of Tanzania	182	166		182	458	0	(292)	(292)
Venezuela	0	5,548				0	5,548	5,548
Viet Nam	0	666	666			0	0	0
Yemen	519	194				519	194	713

Countries	Unpaid Pledges as at 31/12/08	Pledges for 2009	Collections in 2008 for 2009 & future yrs	Collections in 2009 for prior yrs	Collections During 2009 for 2009 & future yrs	Unpaid Pledges for Prior Years	Unpaid Pledges for 2009	Unpaid Pledges for 2009 & Prior years
Zambia	0	28	435			0	(407)	(407)
Zimbabwe	0	222			222	0	0	0
GRAND TOTAL	180,780	1,959,191	831,158	128,959	1,660,408	51,821	(532,374)	(480,553)

Additional Contributions								
Canada	0	175,100			175,100	0	0	0
Grand Total	180,780	2,134,291	831,158	128,959	1,835,508	51,821	(532,374)	(480,553)

ANNEX VIII

Special Voluntary Trust Fund for Additional Voluntary Contributions in Support of Approved Activities of the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety (BH)

Status as at 31 December 2009 (in United States dollars) (Preliminary)

COUNTRIES	Unpaid Pledges as at 31.12.08	Adjustments	Pledges for 2009		Collections in 2009 for prior years	Collections in 2009 for 2009 & futures yrs	Unpaid pledges for 2009 & prior years
EC	10,585			1/			10,585
EC	25,873			2/			25,873
EC			129,496	11/		79,882	49,615
Finland			6,588	5/			6,588
Germany			30,120	12/		30,120	0
Japan			135,927	9/			135,927
Netherlands	45,000			3/	45,000		0
Netherlands	150,000			4/	150,000		0
Netherlands			89,992	7/		89,992	0
Norway			51,282	6/		51,282	0
Spain			143,885	10/		143,885	0
Sweden			20,674	8/		20,674	0
Total	231,458	0	607,964		195,000	415,835	228,587

1/EC pledged EUR 40,000 - Contribution Agreement No. 21.0401/2007/487777/SUB/E2

2/EC pledged EUR 100,000 - Contribution Agreement No. 21.0401/2008/514760/SUB/E2

3/Netherlands pledged US\$ 45,000 towards the participation of Developing Countries in the Meeting of the Friends of the Co-Chairs on Liability & Redress

4/Netherlands pledged US\$ 150,000 regarding Letter of Intent for the period 2007

5/Finland pledged EUR 5,000 towards the 1st Meeting of the Friends of the Co-Chairs on Liability & Redress

6/Norway pledged NOK 340,000 towards additional Approved Activities

7/Netherlands pledged US\$ 90,000 in support of the Intersessional process on Risk Assessment and Risk Management

8/Sweden pledged SEK 150,000 for the assessment and review of the Biosafety Protocol

9/Japan pledged JPY 12,981,000 towards the 2nd Meeting of the Friends of the Co-Chairs on Liability & Redress

10/Spain pledged EUR 100,000 to support for the Implementation of the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety

11/EC pledged EUR 90,000 - Contribution Agreement No.

21.0401/2009/540979/SUB/E2

12/Germany pledged EUR 20,000 towards the Meeting of the Friends of the Co-Chairs on Liability & Redress

ANNEX IX

**Special Voluntary Trust Fund for Additional Voluntary Contributions to Facilitate the Participation of Parties in the Cartagena Protocol
on Biosafety (BI)**

Status as at 31 December 2009 (in United States dollars) (Preliminary)

COUNTRIES	Unpaid Pledges as at 31.12.08	Adjustments	Pledges for 2009		Collections in 2009 for prior years	Collections in 2009 for 2009 & future yrs	Unpaid pledges for 2009 & prior years
EC	11,813			1/			11,813
EC	34,678			2/	34,678		0
EC			50,872	3/		31,065	19,807
Total	46,491	0	50,872		34,678	31,065	31,620

1/EC pledged EUR 50,000 towards the Second Meeting of the Ad Hoc Open-Ended Working Group on Liability and Redress under the Biosafety Protocol, Montreal, Canada, 20-24 February 2006

2/EC pledged EUR 100,000 towards the participation Costs to the 3rd and the 4th Meetings on Liability and Redress under the Biosafety Protocol

3/EC pledged EUR 35,000 - Contribution Agreement No. 21.0401/2009/540979/SUB/E2

ANNEX X

**General Trust Fund for Voluntary Contributions to Facilitate the Participation of Indigenous and Local Communities in the Work of the
Convention on Biological Diversity (VB)**

Status as at 31 December 2009 (in United States dollars) (Preliminary)

COUNTRIES	Unpaid Pledges as at 31.12.08	Adjustments		Pledges for 2009	Collections in 2009 for prior years	Collections in 2009 for 2009 & fut yrs	Unpaid pledges for 2009 & prior years
Denmark			2/	114,068		114,068	0
Norway			1/	37,707		37,707	0
Spain			3/	202,020		202,020	0
Total	0	0		353,795	0	353,795	0

1/Norway pledged NOK 250,000

2/Denmark pledged DKK 600,000 for: ABS-8, Art 8(j)-6 and ABS-9 Meetings

3/ Spain pledged EUR 140,000 towards the Participation in CBD Meetings

ANNEX XI

List of Meetings organized by the Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity
(as at 31 December 2009)

2008

DATES	MEETING TITLE	VENUE
7 - 10 January 2008	Workshop to strengthen national and regional capacities in the sub-region of Francophone Africa with a view to promoting and facilitating the implementation of the Programme of work on Protected Areas	Libreville, Gabon
14 - 18 January 2008	Capacity-Building Workshop on Implementing NBSAPs and Mainstreaming Biodiversity for South, Southeast and East Asia	Singapore City, Singapore
16 - 18 January 2008	Workshop on the Elaboration of a Gender Plan of Action for the Convention on Biological Diversity and its Secretariat	Chavannes-de-Bogis, Switzerland
18 - 19 January 2008	Capacity-building Workshop and Briefing of African Delegates Prior to the ABSWG-6 Meeting	Geneva, Switzerland
20 January 2008	Second meeting of the Informal Consultations on the Development of the Strategy for Resource Mobilization	Geneva, Switzerland
20 January 2008	Meeting of the COP Bureau	Geneva, Switzerland
21 - 25 January 2008	Sixth meeting of the Open-ended Working Group on Access and Benefit-sharing (WG ABS 6)	Geneva, Switzerland
26 January 2008	Informal consultations on the suggested draft budget for the CBD for the 2009-2010 biennium	Geneva, Switzerland
26 January 2008	Meeting of the SBSTTA Bureau	Geneva, Switzerland
28 - 29 January 2008	Informal Advisory Committee on Communication, Education and Public Awareness (CEPA IAC)	Bonn, Germany
4 - 8 February 2008	Capacity-Building Workshop on Implementing NBSAPs and Mainstreaming Biodiversity for Southern and Eastern Africa	Rustenburg, South Africa
10 February 2008	Meeting of the COP Bureau	FAO, Rome, Italy
11 - 13 February 2008	Fourth Coordination Meeting for Governments and Organizations Implementing or Funding Biosafety Capacity-Building Activities	New Delhi, India
11 - 15 February 2008	Second meeting of the Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on Protected Areas (WGPA 2)	FAO, Rome, Italy
14 - 15 February 2008	Fifth meeting of the Liaison Group on Capacity-building for Biosafety	New Delhi, India

DATES	MEETING TITLE	VENUE
16 February 2008	Third meeting of the Informal Consultations on the Development of the Strategy for Resource Mobilization	Rome, Italy
16 February 2008	Workshop on the development of national/regional biodiversity-related targets and indicators and their integration in national biodiversity strategies and action plans	Rome, Italy
17 February 2008	Meeting of the SBSTTA Bureau	Rome, Italy
18 - 22 February 2008	Thirteenth meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice (SBSTTA 13)	FAO, Rome, Italy
12 - 19 March 2008	Fifth meeting of the Open-Ended Ad Hoc Working Group of Legal and Technical Experts on Liability and Redress in the context of the Protocol	Cartagena, Colombia
17 - 19 March 2008	Priority Activity 10 of the Programme of Work on Communication, Education and Public Awareness: Expert Workshop on Mainstreaming Biodiversity into Education	Paris, France
25 - 28 March 2008	Opportunities and challenges of responses to climate change for Indigenous and Local Communities, their Traditional Knowledge and Biological Diversity	Helsinki, Finland
26 - 27 March 2008	Capacity-Building Workshop on Implementing NBSAPs and Mainstreaming Biodiversity for Central America	Mexico City, Mexico
31 March - 3 April 2008	Workshop for Portuguese-Speaking Countries on Training and Implementation of Methodologies for Conservation of Biodiversity and Management of Protected Areas	Maputo, Mozambique
31 March - 4 April 2008	Capacity-Building Workshop on Implementing NBSAPs and Mainstreaming Biodiversity for South America	Rio Branco, Acre, Brazil
7 - 9 April 2008	Asia Sub-Regional Workshop on Capacity-Building and Exchange of Experiences on Risk Assessment and Risk Management of Living Modified Organisms	Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
26 - 30 April 2008	Capacity-Building Workshop on Implementing NBSAPs and Mainstreaming Biodiversity for Europe	Vilm, Germany
7 - 9 May 2008	Meeting of the Friends of the Co-Chairs of the fifth meeting of the Open-Ended Ad Hoc Working Group of Legal and Technical Experts on Liability and Redress in the Context of the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety	Bonn, Germany

DATES	MEETING TITLE	VENUE
9 - 10 May 2008	Biosafety Clearing-House (BCH) Training Workshop	Bonn, Germany
10 - 11 May 2008	Africa Union Preparatory Meeting of African Delegates to the Fourth Meeting of the Conference of Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity serving as the Meeting of the Parties to the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety, COP-MOP 4	Bonn, Germany
11 May 2008	Meeting of the COP-MOP Bureau	Bonn, Germany
12 - 16 May 2008	Fourth meeting of the Conference of the Parties serving as the Meeting of the Parties to the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety (COP-MOP 4)	Bonn, Germany
17 May 2008	Capacity building Workshop for Women on CBD processes in preparation for the ninth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity	Bonn, Germany
17 - 18 May 2008	Asia and the Pacific Regional Preparatory Meeting for the ninth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity	Bonn, Germany
17 - 18 May 2008	Latin America and the Caribbean Regional Preparatory Meeting for the ninth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity	Bonn, Germany
17 - 18 May 2008	African Regional Preparatory Meeting for the ninth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity	Bonn, Germany
18 May 2008	Meeting of the Clearing-House Mechanism Informal Advisory Committee (CHM-IAC)	Bonn, Germany
18 May 2008	Meeting of the COP Bureau	Bonn, Germany
19 - 30 May 2008	Ninth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity (COP 9)	Bonn, Germany
24 May 2008	Open-ended Workshop of the Informal Advisory Committee (IAC) for Communication, Education and Public Awareness	Bonn, Germany
25 - 26 May 2008	Biodiversity Training Workshop for Journalists attending COP 9	Bonn, Germany
28-30 May 2008	High Level Segment of COP-9	Bonn, Germany
11 June 2008	Business & Biodiversity Conference	Montreal, Canada
22 - 25 September 2008	Capacity-building Workshop for Central Africa on National Biodiversity Strategies and Action Plans (NBSAPs) and Mainstreaming of Biodiversity	Limbé, Cameroon

DATES	MEETING TITLE	VENUE
23 - 25 September 2008	Latin American Sub-Regional Workshop on Protected Areas	City of Salinas, Ecuador
29 September - 3 October 2008	Capacity-building Workshop for Western Africa, Comoros and Djibouti on National Biodiversity Strategies and Action Plans (NBSAPs) and Mainstreaming of Biodiversity	Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso
21 October 2008	Third Meeting of the Steering Committee of the Consortium of Scientific Partners	Brussels, Belgium
1 - 4 November 2008	Expert Workshop on Integrating Protected Areas into wider Land- and Seascapes	Isle of Vilm, Germany
3 - 5 November 2008	Pacific Region Workshop on Indigenous Communities, Tourism and Biodiversity: New Information and Web-based Technologies	Apia, Samoa
3 - 6 November 2008	Workshop on Communication, Education and Public Awareness (CEPA) for the Caribbean region	Port of Spain, Trinidad and Tobago
3 - 7 November 2008	Capacity-building Workshop for the Caribbean region for National Biodiversity Strategies and Action Plans (NBSAPs), Mainstreaming of Biodiversity and the Integration of Climate Change	Port of Spain, Trinidad and Tobago
6 - 7 November 2008	Expert Meeting on South-South Cooperation on Biodiversity for Development	Montreal, Canada
12 - 14 November 2008	Global Indigenous Peoples' consultation on potential impacts of "Reducing Emissions from Deforestation and Forest Degradation (REDD)" on Indigenous and Local Communities	Baguio, Philippines
17 - 18 November 2008	Fourth meeting of the Informal Advisory Committee on the Biosafety Clearing-House	Montreal, Canada
17 - 21 November 2008	First meeting of the Second Ad Hoc Technical Expert Group on Biodiversity and Climate Change	London, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland
19 - 21 November 2008	Fifth meeting of the Compliance Committee under the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety	Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
26 - 27 November 2008	Meeting of the SBSTTA Bureau	Berlin, Germany
26 - 27 November 2008	Meeting of the COP Bureau	Berlin, Germany
27 November 2008	Joint meeting of the COP and SBSTTA Bureaux	Berlin, Germany
28 November 2008	Meeting of the COP-MOP Bureau	Berlin, Germany
2 - 4 December 2008	Capacity-building workshop for the South, East and South East Asia on preparation of the fourth national reports	Tsukuba, Japan

DATES	MEETING TITLE	VENUE
2 - 5 December 2008	Group of Legal and Technical Experts on Concepts, Terms, Working Definitions and Sectoral Approaches	Windhoek, Namibia
14 - 18 December 2008	Capacity Development Workshop for the Arab states on National Biodiversity Strategies and Action Plans (NBSAP), and the Mainstreaming of Biodiversity	Cairo, Egypt

2009

DATES	MEETING TITLE	VENUE
19 January - 6 February 2009	Online Conference on Capacity-building for Integration of Biosafety into National Development Plans	Online
27 - 30 January 2009	Group of Technical and Legal Experts on Compliance in the context of the International Regime on Access and Benefit-sharing	Tokyo, Japan
28 January 2009	First Regional Real-time Online Conferences on Risk Assessment and Risk Management under the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety: Europe	Online
2 - 6 February 2009	Capacity Development Workshop for the Pacific on NBSAPs, the Mainstreaming of Biodiversity and the Integration of Climate Change	Nadi, Fiji
3 February 2009	First Regional Real-time Online Conferences on Risk Assessment and Risk Management under the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety: Latin America	Online
9 - 12 February 2009	Capacity-building workshop for the Pacific region for implementation of the Programme of Work on Protected Areas	Nadi, Fiji
10 February 2009	First Regional Real-time Online Conferences on Risk Assessment and Risk Management under the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety: Africa	Online
10 - 12 February 2009	Expert Workshop on the Development of the Singapore Index on Cities' Biodiversity	Singapore City, Singapore
11 February - 11 March 2009	Online Discussion Forum on Article 10 (c)	Online
13 February 2009	Meeting of the COP Bureau	Nairobi, Kenya
17 February 2009	First Regional Real-time Online Conferences on Risk Assessment and Risk Management under the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety: Asia	Online
23 - 27 February 2009	First meeting of the Group of the Friends of the Co-Chairs Concerning Liability and Redress in the Context of the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety	Mexico City, Mexico

DATES	MEETING TITLE	VENUE
9 - 11 March 2009	Fifth Coordination Meeting for Governments and Organizations Implementing or Funding Biosafety Capacity-building Activities	San José, Costa Rica
9 - 13 March 2009	Capacity Development Workshop for Central Asia on NBSAPs and the Mainstreaming of Biodiversity	Ramsar, Iran (Islamic Republic of)
12 - 13 March 2009	Sixth meeting of the Liaison Group on Capacity-building for Biosafety	San José, Costa Rica
30 March 2009	Meeting of the COP Bureau	Paris, France
2 - 8 April 2009	Seventh meeting of the Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on Access and Benefit-sharing (WGABS 7)	Paris, France
9 April 2009	Seventh meeting of the Liaison Group of the Biodiversity-related Conventions	Paris, France
18 - 22 April 2009	Second meeting of the Ad Hoc Technical Expert Group on Biodiversity and Climate Change	Helsinki, Finland
20 - 24 April 2009	Meeting of the Ad Hoc Technical Expert Group on Risk Assessment and Risk Management under the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety	Montreal, Canada
4 - 8 May 2009	Workshop for Least Developed Countries on the Fourth National Report	Addis Ababa, Ethiopia
13 - 15 May 2009	Expert Meeting on Mainstreaming Biodiversity in Development Cooperation	Montreal, Canada
18 May - 5 June 2009	Online Forum on Paragraph 3 of Article 18 regarding the need for and modalities of developing standards for the Handling, Transport, Packaging and Identification of Living Modified Organisms	Online
26 - 28 May 2009	Liaison Group Meeting of the Global Strategy for Plant Conservation	Dublin, Ireland
13 - 17 June 2009	Capacity Development Workshop for Europe on NBSAPs and the Mainstreaming of Biodiversity	Isle of Vilm, Germany
16 - 19 June 2009	Group of Technical and Legal Experts on Traditional Knowledge associated with Genetic Resources	Hyderabad, India
6 - 8 July 2009	Expert Workshop on the 2010 Biodiversity Indicators and Post-2010 Indicator Development	Reading, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland
8 - 10 July 2009	South-South-Exchange Meeting on the Conservation and Sustainable Use of Forest Biodiversity	Montreal, Canada
20 - 24 July 2009	Drafting Committee Meeting for the Report of the Second Ad Hoc Technical Expert Group on Biodiversity and Climate Change	Cape Town, South Africa
2 - 5 September 2009	Sub-regional Capacity Building Workshop on Forest Biodiversity and Climate Change	Singapore City, Singapore

DATES	MEETING TITLE	VENUE
9 - 10 September 2009	Meeting of the COP Bureau	Strömstad, Sweden
14 - 18 September 2009	Africa Regional Training of Trainers' Workshop on the Identification and Documentation of Living Modified Organisms (LMOs) under the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety	Bamako, Mali
28 - 30 September 2009	Regional Workshop on Ways and Means to Promote the Sustainable Production and Use of Biofuels	Louveira, São Paulo, Brazil
29 September - 2 October 2009	Expert Workshop on Scientific and Technical Guidance on the use of Biogeographic Classification Systems and Identification of Marine Areas beyond national jurisdiction in need of protection	Ottawa, Canada
4 October 2009	Third meeting of the Chairs of the Scientific Advisory Bodies of Biodiversity-related Conventions	Nairobi, Kenya
5 - 9 October 2009	Second Ad hoc Intergovernmental and Multi-stakeholder meeting on an Intergovernmental Science-policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystems Services (IPBES)	Nairobi, Kenya
6 - 8 October 2009	Expert Workshop on the Removal and Mitigation of Perverse, and the Promotion of Positive, Incentive Measures	Paris, France
6 - 9 October 2009	Regional Workshop for Africa on the Review of Implementation of the Programme of Work on Protected Areas	Grand Bassam, Côte d'Ivoire
12 - 15 October 2009	Regional Workshop for Asia and the Pacific on the Review of Implementation of the Programme of Work on Protected Areas	Dehradun, India
15 - 17 October 2009	Liaison Group Meeting on Bushmeat	Buenos Aires, Argentina
19 - 21 October 2009	Fifth meeting of the Informal Advisory Committee on the Biosafety Clearing-House	Montreal, Canada
29 October 2009	First meeting of the Steering Committee for South-South Cooperation on Biodiversity	Montreal, Canada
29 - 31 October 2009	Latin American and Caribbean Indigenous and Local Community Capacity-building Workshop on the CBD including Article 8(j) and Access and Benefit-sharing	Montreal, Canada
1 November 2009	Meeting of the COP Bureau	Montreal, Canada
2 - 5 November 2009	Regional Workshop for Latin America and the Caribbean on the Review of Implementation of the Programme of Work on Protected Areas	Bogota, Colombia

DATES	MEETING TITLE	VENUE
2 - 6 November 2009	Sixth meeting of the Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on Article 8(j) and Related Provisions (WG8J 6)	Montreal, Canada
4 - 6 November 2009	Sixth meeting of the Compliance Committee under the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety	Montreal, Canada
6 - 7 November 2009	SBSTTA Bureau Meeting	Montreal, Canada
7 November 2009	Joint COP and SBSTTA Bureaus' Meeting	Montreal, Canada
8 November 2009	Meeting of the COP-MOP Bureau	Montreal, Canada
8 November 2009	Meeting of the COP Bureau	Montreal, Canada
9 - 15 November 2009	Eighth meeting of the Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on Access and Benefit-sharing (WG ABS 8)	Montreal, Canada
16 - 18 November 2009	Project Development Workshop for the Global Taxonomy Initiative in Africa	Nairobi, Kenya
18 - 20 November 2009	Expert Workshop on Scientific and Technical Aspects relevant to Environmental Impact Assessment in Marine Areas Beyond National Jurisdiction	Manila, Philippines
23 - 27 November 2009	Latin America and the Caribbean Regional Training of Trainers' Workshop on the Identification and Documentation of Living Modified Organisms under the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety	Mexico City, Mexico
25 - 27 November 2009	Regional Workshop for Asia and the Pacific on Ways and Means to Promote the Sustainable Production and Use of Biofuels	Bangkok, Thailand
27 November - 1 December 2009	Regional Workshop for Central and Eastern Europe on the Review of Implementation of the Programme of Work on Protected Areas	Isle of Vilm, Germany
30 November - 2 December 2009	Third Business and the 2010 Biodiversity Challenge Conference in conjunction with the UNEP Business and Industry Global Dialogue	Jakarta, Indonesia
30 November - 3 December 2009	Sub-Regional Capacity-building Workshop for Communication, Education and Public Awareness (CEPA) and Media Relations for South-East Asia	Jakarta, Indonesia
5 - 6 December 2009	Access and Benefit-sharing Regional Consultations for Asia	Siem Reap, Cambodia
7 - 10 December 2009	Regional Workshop for the Caribbean and Central American Countries on the Fourth National Report and Updating the Strategic Plan for Post-2010 Period	City of Panama, Panama
8 - 10 December 2009	Regional Workshop for Africa on Ways and Means to Promote the Sustainable Production and Use of Biofuels	Accra, Ghana

DATES	MEETING TITLE	VENUE
11 - 12 December 2009	Regional Consultation for Africa on the updating and revision of the Strategic Plan of the Convention for the post-2010 period	Cairo, Egypt
15 - 18 December 2009	Regional Workshop for East, South and Southeast Asia on Updating the Strategic Plan of the Convention on Biological Diversity for post-2010 period	Tokyo, Japan
