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NOTIFICATION REMINDER

Designation of a CBD National Focal Point for the Programme of Work on Protected Areas

Dear Madam/Sir,

With reference to paragraph A 21 of decision IX/18, Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD) were requested to designate a National Focal Point for the Programme of Work on Protected Areas (PoWPA-NFP) through notification 2008-124 dated 23 September 2008, (also available in Spanish and French) and through seven reminder notifications (2009-053 of 13 May 2009, 2009-079 of 9 July 2009, 2009-170 of 9 December 2009, 2010-109 of 2 June, 2010-129 of 2 July 2010, 2010-151 of 3 August 2010, and 2011-025 of 4 February 2011).

As of today, 159 PoWPA-NFPs have been nominated and I extend my sincere appreciation to those Parties. The list of current PoWPA-NFPs is available on the Secretariat website at https://www.cbd.int/doc/lists/nfp-cbd-powpa.pdf.

Parties that do not currently have a PoWPA-NFP (listed in Annex) are kindly reminded to consider the criteria outlined in the original notification and to provide the name, contact details and curriculum vitae of their nominee to the Secretariat (secretariat@cbd.int) in the briefest of delays and before **31 July 2012**. CBD PoWPA focal points play an important role in improving the exchange of tools and experiences among Parties, contributing to more structured and continuous processes at regional and sub-regional level and more effective North-South and South-South cooperation that will serve to improve capacity for PoWPA implementation in all regions.

I thank you in advance for your cooperation in this matter, and for your continued support of the work of the Convention.

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

Braulio Ferreira de Souza Dias Executive Secretary

To CBD Focal Points







Annex

Parties without a Focal Point for the CBD Programme of Work on Protected Areas

Armenia Maldives Bahamas Malta

Barbados Marshall Islands
Brunei Darussalam Mauritius
Burkina Faso Namibia
Chad Nauru
Congo Nepal
Cyprus Oman
Democratic People's Republic of Korea Panama

Denmark Papua New Guinea

Djibouti Paraguay Dominica Portugal El Salvador Qatar

Equatorial Guinea Russian Federation
Eritrea Saint Kitts and Nevis

Georgia Saint Vincent and the Grenadines

Ghana San Marino

Greece Sao Tome and Principe

Iceland Slovakia
Jordan Switzerland

Kazakhstan The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia

Lao People's Democratic Republic Tunisia
Lesotho Zimbabwe