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DECISION ADOPTED BY THE CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES TO THE CONVENTION ON BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY

XII/32. Administration of the Convention and the budget for the Trust Funds of the Convention

The Conference of the Parties,

Recalling its decision XI/31 adopted at its eleventh meeting,

1. *Expresses* its appreciation to Canada as the host country for its enhanced support to the Secretariat and *welcomes* its contribution of CAD 1,576,652, for the year 2015 and CAD 1,584,692 for the year 2016, from the host country Canada and the Province of Quebec to the rental and associated costs of the Secretariat, of which 83.5 per cent has been allocated per annum to offset contributions from the Parties to the Convention for the biennium 2015-2016;

2. *Approves* a core (BY) programme budget of \$14,472,500 for the year 2015 and of \$14,153,800 for the year 2016 for the purposes listed in the tables 1a and 1b below;

3. *Regrets* that the in-depth Functional Review of the Secretariat, as set out in decision XI/31, paragraph 25, was not completed in time to be considered by the twelfth meeting of the Conference of the Parties as originally envisaged and *requests* the Executive Secretary to complete the Functional Review in consultation with the Executive Director of the United Nations Environment Programme;

4. *Requests* the Executive Secretary to notify the Parties when each of steps 1, 2, and 3 as set out in the annex to document UNEP/CBD/COP/12/28, is completed and consult the Bureau on the progress of the Functional Review;

5. *Also requests* the Executive Secretary to submit the final report of the in-depth Functional Review of the Secretariat, including individual post analysis, in time for discussion at the first meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Implementation, with a view to preparing a decision for the thirteenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties;

6. *Takes note* of the indicative staffing table 2 of the Secretariat of the biennium 2015-2016 used for costing purposes to set the overall budget;

7. *Authorizes*, on an exceptional basis and within the United Nations rules and regulations and without prejudice to the decision of the thirteenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties on the in-depth Functional Review and the classification of staff positions, the Executive Secretary to adjust the

staffing levels, numbers and structure of the Secretariat in the light of the continuing outputs of the Functional Review, provided that the overall cost of the Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity remains within that of the indicative staffing table, and to report on the adjustments made at the thirteenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties;

8. *Also authorizes* the Executive Secretary to fill the post of the Deputy Executive Secretary as soon as possible noting that the terms of reference of this post may have to be reviewed during the Functional Review;

9. *Adopts* the scale of assessments for the apportionment of expenses for 2015 and 2016 as contained in the table 6 below;

10. *Decides*, in the light of the recommendation of the Office of Internal Oversight Services (OIOS) in its report¹ on the Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity, to increase the working capital reserve to a level of 7.5 per cent of the core programme budget (BY) expenditure, including programme support costs, and to do so from the existing BY fund balance;

11. *Also decides*, on an exceptional basis, that the increased working capital reserve of the programme budget BY should also be available to act as the working capital reserve for the Nagoya Protocol BYP² Trust Fund until that working capital reserve of the BYP trust fund has been built up in accordance with paragraphs 7 and 8 of decision NP-1/13 or by 31 December 2016, at the latest;

12. *Further* decides that this exceptional arrangement on the working capital reserve will not have an impact on the contributions of Parties to the core budget (BY) for the biennium 2015-2016 and that any funds borrowed from the BY Trust Fund shall be repaid as the BYP working capital reserve is built, and within the first biennium;

13. *Authorizes* the Executive Secretary to enter into commitments up to the level of the approved budget, drawing on available cash resources, including unspent balances, contributions from previous financial periods and miscellaneous income;

14. *Also authorizes* the Executive Secretary to transfer resources among the programmes between each of the main appropriation lines set out in table 1a below up to an aggregate of 15 per cent of the total programme budget, provided that a further limitation of up to a maximum of 25 per cent of each such appropriation line shall apply;

15. *Decides* to share the costs for Secretariat services between those that are common to the Convention on Biological Diversity and the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety on an 85:15 ratio for the biennium 2015-2016, while *noting* that the proportionate division between the Convention and its two Protocols will need to be reconsidered for the 2017-2018 budget following discussions on the implementation of the Functional Review of the Secretariat;

16. *Invites* all Parties to the Convention to note that contributions to the core programme budget (BY) are due on 1 January of the year in which these contributions have been budgeted for, and to pay them promptly, and *urges* Parties in a position to do so, to pay by 1 December of the year 2014 for the calendar year 2015 and by 1 October 2015 for the calendar year 2016, the contributions set out in table 6 (scale of assessment) below and in this regard *requests* Parties be notified of the amount of their contributions as early as possible in the year preceding the year in which the contributions are due;

17. *Notes with concern* that a number of Parties have not paid their contributions to the core budget (BY Trust Fund) for 2014 and prior years, including those Parties that have never paid their contributions, and *also notes* that, in accordance with the International Public Sector Accounting Standards adopted by the United Nations, arrears estimated at \$476,384 will be outstanding at the end of

¹ The report on the audit of Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity by the Office of Internal Oversight Services was issued as UNEP/CBD/COP/12/INF/49.

² The "BYP" Trust Fund designation used in the present document is subject to change by the Trustee and is used here purely for the convenience of delegations attending the meeting.

2014 and will have to be deducted from the fund balance to cover doubtful debt and so cannot be used for the benefit of all Parties;

18. *Urges* Parties that have still not paid their contributions to the core budget (BY Trust Fund) for 2013 and prior years to do so without delay or conditionalities and *requests* the Executive Secretary to publish and regularly update information on the status of contributions to the Convention's Trust Funds (BY, BE, BZ and VB);

19. *Confirms* that, with regard to contributions due from 1 January 2005 onwards, Parties whose contributions are in arrears for two (2) or more years will not be eligible to become a member of the Bureau of the Conference of the Parties; this will only apply in the case of Parties that are not least developed countries or small island developing States;

20. *Authorizes* the Executive Secretary to enter into arrangements with any Party whose contributions are in arrears for two or more years to mutually agree on a "schedule of payments" for such a Party to clear all outstanding arrears within six years depending on the financial circumstances of the Party in arrears and pay future contributions by the due date, and report on the implementation of any such arrangement to the next meeting of the Bureau and to the Conference of the Parties;

21. *Decides* that a Party with an agreed arrangement in accordance with paragraph 20 above and that is fully respecting the provisions of that arrangement will not be subject to the provisions of paragraph 19 above;

22. *Requests* the Executive Secretary and *invites* the President of the Conference of the Parties, through a jointly signed letter, to notify Parties whose contributions are in arrears inviting them to take timely action and thank those Parties that have responded in a positive manner in paying their outstanding contributions;

23. *Expresses its agreement* with the funding estimates for:

(a) The Special Voluntary Trust Fund (BE) for Additional Voluntary Contributions in Support of Approved Activities for the Biennium 2015-2016 specified by the Executive Secretary and included in table 3 below;

(b) The Special Voluntary Trust Fund (BZ) for Facilitating Participation of Developing Country Parties, in particular the Least Developed and the Small Island Developing States, as well as Parties with Economies in Transition, for the biennium 2015-2016, as specified by the Executive Secretary and included in table 4 below;

(c) The Special Voluntary Trust Fund (VB) for Facilitating Participation of Indigenous and Local Communities in the Convention process for the biennium 2015-2016, as specified by the Executive Secretary and included in table 5 below;

24. *Accepts* the request from the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety, in its decision BS-VII/7, that in view of decision XII/27 of the Conference of the Parties to hold the ordinary meetings of the Conference of the Parties of the Convention on Biological Diversity concurrently with the meetings of the Parties of its Protocols, and taking into account advice to be provided by the Executive Secretary and the Executive Director of the United Nations Environment Programme, *decides* to merge the BI special voluntary Trust Fund, which facilitates participation of the Parties in the meetings related to the Cartagena Protocol, with the BZ Voluntary Trust Fund, which facilitates participation of Parties in the meetings related to the Convention;

25. *Decides* that the merged BZ and BI Trust Fund should also be available to facilitate participation of Parties in meetings related to the Nagoya Protocol and *requests* the Executive Director of the United Nations Environment Programme to seek the approval of the United Nations Environment Assembly to change the name of the merged fund to the Trust Fund for Facilitating Participation of the developing country Parties, in particular the least developed countries and small island developing States, as well as Parties with economies in transition in meetings of the Convention and its Protocols;

26. *Requests* the Executive Secretary to ensure transparency when reporting on expenditure for the Convention and its Protocols under the merged Trust Fund;

27. *Notes* that the trust funds (BY, BE, BZ, VB) for the Convention should be extended for a period of two years beginning 1 January 2016 and ending 31 December 2017 and *requests* the Executive Director of the United Nations Environment Programme to seek the approval of the United Nations Environment Assembly for their extension;

28. *Reaffirms* the importance of full and active participation of the developing country Parties, in particular the least developed countries and small island developing States, as well as Parties with economies in transition, in the meetings of the Convention and its Protocols and in this context *requests* the Executive Secretary to take into account the relevant decisions of the Conference of the Parties and the meetings of the Parties to its Protocols on Concurrent Meetings and Improving the Efficiencies of the Structures and Processes of the Convention and its Protocols;³

29. *Notes* with concern that participation of developing countries, especially least developed countries and small island developing States as well as Parties with economies in transition, in meetings of the Convention and its Protocols has been adversely affected by the lack of predictable and sustainable funding and, in this regard, *calls upon* developed country Parties and others in a position to do so to substantially increase their contributions to the BZ Trust Fund and to guarantee that their pledges are honoured well in advance of meetings to allow for the full and effective participation;

30. *Requests* the Secretariat to remind Parties of the need to contribute to the Special Voluntary Trust Fund (BZ) at least six months prior to the ordinary meetings of the Convention and its Protocols;

31. *Urges* all Parties and States not Party to the Convention as well as governmental, intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations and others to contribute to the appropriate trust funds listed in paragraph 23 above;

32. *Stresses* the importance of the relevant decisions of the Conference of the Parties and the meetings of the Parties to its Protocols on Concurrent Meetings and Improving the Efficiencies of the Structures and Processes of the Convention and its Protocols;⁴

33. *Requests* the Executive Secretary to provide information on efficiencies and savings resulting from the further integration of the work of the Secretariat of the Convention and its Protocols;

34. *Also requests* the Executive Secretary to prepare and submit a budget for the programme of work for the biennium 2017-2018 for the consideration of the Conference of the Parties at its thirteenth meeting, based on two alternatives:

(a) Making an assessment of the required rate of growth for the programme budget (BY Trust Fund) which should not exceed a 5 per cent increase from the 2015-2016 level in nominal terms;

(b) Maintaining the programme budget (BY Trust Fund) at the 2015–2016 level in nominal terms;

35. *Further requests* the Executive Secretary to report to the Conference of the Parties on income and budget performance, unspent balances and the status of surplus and carry-overs as well as any adjustments made to the budget for the biennium 2015-2016;

36. *Notes* the ongoing debate in the United Nations Environment Assembly on the relationship between the United Nations Environment Programme and the Conventions for which the Executive Director provides the functions of the Secretariat and *decides* to consider the implications for the Convention on Biological Diversity and its Protocols at the thirteenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties;

37. *Expresses its appreciation* to the Executive Director of the United Nations Environment Programme for the support provided to the Convention on Biological Diversity and its Protocols.

³ Decisions XII/27, BS-VII/9 and NP-I/12.

⁴ Ibid.

Table 1a: Biennium budget of the Trust Fund for the Convention on Biological Diversity 2015-2016

	2015	2016	TOTAL
	<i>(Thousands of United States dollars)</i>		
<i>Expenditures</i>			
I Programmes			
Office of the Executive Secretary	1,335.3	1,416.0	2,751.3
Science, Assessment and Monitoring	2,689.0	2,808.6	5,497.6
Access and Benefit Sharing/ Nagoya Protocol	733.6	745.0	1,478.6
Mainstreaming, Partnerships and Outreach	2,233.0	1,904.2	4,137.2
Technical Support and Implementation	2,252.8	2,746.4	4,999.2
Resource management and conference services	2,886.8	2,905.3	5,792.0
Sub-total (I)	12,130.4	12,525.5	24,655.9
II Programme support charge 13%	1,576.9	1,628.3	3,205.3
GRAND TOTAL (I + II)	13,707.3	14,153.8	27,861.1
III Working capital reserve	765.1		765.1
GRAND TOTAL (I + II + III+IV)	14,472.5	14,153.8	28,626.3
<i>Replenishment of working capital reserve from savings</i>	(765.1)		(765.1)
<i>Less contribution from the host country</i>	(1,203.7)	(1,209.8)	2,413.5
<i>Less savings from previous years</i>	(250.0)	(250.0)	(500.0)
NET TOTAL (amount to be shared by Parties)	12,253.6	12,694.0	24,947.6

Table 1b: Biennium budget of the Trust Fund for the Convention on Biological Diversity 2015-2016 (by object of expenditure)

	2015	2016	TOTAL
<i>(Thousands of United States dollars)</i>			
Expenditures			
A. Staff costs ^{1/}	8,390.9	8,545.5	16,936.4
B. Bureau meetings	95.0	155.0	250.0
C. Travel on official business	400.0	400.0	800.0
D. Consultants/subcontracts	100.0	100.0	200.0
E. Meetings ^{2/3/4/}	1,292.3	1,507.3	2,799.7
F. Public awareness materials	90.0	90.0	180.0
G. Temporary assistance/Overtime	100.0	100.0	200.0
H. Rent and associated costs ^{5/}	1,188.6	1,194.1	2,382.7
I. General operating expenses ^{5/}	418.5	418.5	837.1
J. Training	5.0	5.0	10.0
K. CHM IAC	40.0	-	40.0
L. Translation of CHM website	10.0	10.0	20.0
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1/ Includes 85% of 1P5, 1P4, 3P3 and 2 GS posts and 50% of 1 P4 post shared with the Biosafety Protocol

2/ Priority meetings to be funded from the core budget:

- Ninth meeting of the Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on Article 8(j)
- Nineteenth meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific Technical and Technological Advice
- Twentieth meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific Technical and Technological Advice
- First meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Implementation
- Thirteenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention

3/ SBSTTA-19 and WG8(j)-9 funded for 3 days each, back-to-back;

SBSTTA-20 and SBI-1 funded for 5 days each, back-to-back;

4/ Budget for COP-13 divided between both years of the biennium

5/ Shared in ratio of 85:15 with Biosafety Protocol general operating expenses

Table 2: Indicative Secretariat staffing requirements from the core budget (BY Trust Fund) for the biennium 2015-2016*

	2015	2016
A. Professional and higher categories		
ASG	1	1
D-1	4	4
P-5	4	4
P-4	13.5	13.5
P-3	8	8
P-2	3	3
Total Professional Category	33.5	33.5
B. Total General Service Category	26	26
Total (A+B)	59.5	59.5

* The table is used for the purposes of paragraph 4 only. It is without prejudice to the existing staffing table to decision XI/31 and will be adjusted in view of the Functional Review.

Table 3: Resource requirements from the Special Voluntary Trust Fund (BE) for additional voluntary contributions in support of approved activities for the biennium 2015-2016*(Thousands of United States dollars)*

<i>I. Description</i>	<i>2015-2016</i>
1. MEETINGS/WORKSHOPS	
Science, Assessment and Monitoring	
Inland waters biodiversity	50.0
Dry and sub-humid lands	10.0
Forests	105.0
Marine and coastal workshops	1300.0
Dry and sub-humid lands workshops	270.0
Forests workshop	50.0
Nature based solutions platform	50.0
World Water Day Report	50.0
Protected Areas	60.0
Health and biodiversity	60.0
Sustainable use	80.0
Global Strategy for Plant Conservation	210.0
Ecosystem restoration	300.0
Invasive alien species	550.0
Global Taxonomy Initiative	30.0
Monitoring, NR, indicators and GBO-4	155.0
Scientific assessments	20.0
Synthetic biology	200.0
Regional workshop on World Water Day Report	75.0
Regional workshops on protected areas	600.0
Regional workshops on scientific assessments	120.0
Regional workshop on Global Strategy for Plant Conservation	240.0
Regional workshops on Global Taxonomy Initiative	240.0
Regional workshops on invasive alien species	180.0
Regional workshops on climate change and biodiversity	260.0
Regional workshops on health and biodiversity	620.0
Regional workshops on sustainable use	300.0
Regional workshops on REDD+	750.0
Regional workshop on impact assessment	70.0
Regional workshops on ecosystem restoration	600.0
Regional workshops on monitoring, NR, indicators and GBO-4	100.0
Regional workshops on technical assessment and scientific cooperation	880.0
Mainstreaming, Partnerships and Outreach	
Expert Group meeting on repatriation of traditional knowledge	80.0
Expert meeting on synergies among the Biodiversity-related Conventions	125.0
Expert meetings on stakeholder capacity-building	100.0
Expert meeting on Island biodiversity	55.0

Expert meeting on tourism	20.0
Expert meeting on CEPA	80.0
Regional workshops on indicators and CSU (4)	240.0
Regional workshops on business and biodiversity	350.0
Regional workshops on tourism	105.0
Regional and subregional capacity development on Aichi Target 2	80.0
Regional Gender capacity-building and consultative workshops	110.0
Regional workshops on CEPA	300.0

Technical Support for Implementation

CHM Informal Advisory Committee meeting (1)	40.0
Regional and subregional capacity-building workshops on NBSAPs	2000.0
Subregional workshops on resource mobilization	420.0
Global technical expert workshop on financial reporting	100.0
Regional capacity-building workshops on financial reporting	360.0
Regional Capacity-building workshops on the financial mechanism	360.0
Subregional workshops on the financial mechanism	420.0
CHM capacity-building workshops (2)	150.0

2. STAFF

Programme Officer (P-4) - Technical and Scientific Cooperation	415.1
Programme Officer (P-4) - Business and Biodiversity	415.1
Programme Officer (P-3) - Agriculture and Biodiversity	347.0
Programme Officer (P-3) - Climate change	347.0
Programme Officer (P-3) - Gender mainstreaming	347.0
Programme Officer (P-3) 50% - Dry and sub-humid lands	173.5
Programme Officer (P-3) 50% - Ecosystem restoration	173.5
Programme Officer (P-2) - Health and biodiversity	250.5
Associate Programme Officer (P-2) - Marine and coastal	250.5
Associate Programme Officer (P-2) - Forests	250.5
Associate Programme Officer (P-2) - REDD+	250.5
Associate Programme Officer (P-2) - Monitoring, indicators & GBO-4	250.5
2 Associate Programme Officers (P-2) - Technical and Scientific Cooperation	501.0
Programme Assistant (GS) - Marine and coastal	145.0
Programme Assistant (GS) - Monitoring, indicators & GBO-4	145.0
Programme Assistant (GS) - Protected areas	145.0
Programme Assistant (GS) - Nature based solutions platform	145.0

3. TRAVEL COSTS

Inland waters	75.0
Marine and coastal	230.0
Agriculture/Biofuels	50.0
Forests	80.0

Dry and sub-humid lands	80.0
Nature-based solutions and World Water Day report	100.0
Protected areas	30.0
Climate change	70.0
Sustainable use	60.0
Scientific assessments	240.0
Invasive alien species	20.0
Health	50.0
REDD+	120.0
Impact assessment	25.0
Global Strategy for Plant Conservation	60.0
Global Taxonomy Initiative	20.0
Ecosystem restoration	80.0
Monitoring, NR, indicators and GBO-4	60.0
Technical and scientific cooperation	148.0
Traditional knowledge	97.0
Cultural biodiversity	20.0
Cooperation	30.0
Stakeholder engagement	20.0
Local Government	40.0
Business and biodiversity	40.0
Tourism	55.0
Sustainable development	40.0
Gender mainstreaming	30.0
CEPA	50.0
NBSAP and National Reporting	440.0
Bushmeat	20.0
Synthetic biology	20.0

4. RESOURCE PERSONS

Short-term Staff/Temporary Assistance

Inland waters	104.0
Agriculture including biofuels	104.0
Health	60.0
Sustainable use	180.0
REDD+	20.0
Nature based solutions platform	140.0
Island biodiversity	45.0
Technical and scientific cooperation	45.0
Tourism	45.0
Sustainable development	120.0
CEPA	75.0
Invasive alien species	20.0

Consultants/Sub-Contracts

Inland waters	150.0
Agriculture/Biofuels	30.0
Marine and coastal	770.0
Dry and sub-humid lands	10.0
Forests	40.0
Nature-based solutions	100.0
World Water Day report	75.0
Protected areas	60.0
Climate change	90.0
Sustainable use	120.0
Scientific assessments	20.0
Invasive alien species	90.0
Health	120.0
REDD+	60.0
Global Strategy for Plant Conservation	80.0
Ecosystem restoration	50.0
Monitoring, NR, indicators and GBO-4	40.0
Technical and scientific cooperation	50.0
Repatriation of traditional knowledge	10.0
Sui Generis	10.0
Cultural diversity	10.0
Cooperation	40.0
Stakeholder engagement	140.0
Tourism	40.0
Sustainable development	80.0
Gender	40.0
CEPA	350.0
NBSAP/National Reporting	415.0
Economics	50.0
Financial mechanism	200.0
CHM	40.0

5. PUBLICATIONS/REPORT PREPARATION/PRINTING

Inland waters	100.0
Marine and coastal	20.0
Dry and sub-humid lands	35.0
Forests	85.0
Climate change	60.0
Sustainable use	190.0
Global Strategy for Plant Conservation	60.0
Health	80.0
REDD+	140.0

Ecosystem restoration	200.0
Monitoring, NR, indicators and GBO-4	50.0
Technical and scientific cooperation	35.0
Sui generis	9.8
Cultural diversity	50.0
Cooperation	20.0
Stakeholder engagement	40.0
Local Government	20.0
Business and biodiversity	15.0
Tourism	5.0
Sustainable development	80.0
Gender	40.0
CEPA	125.0
NBSAP	450.0
Financial mechanism	50.0

6. ACTIVITIES

Website translation-(5 languages)	200.0
Participation of SBSTTA Chair to IPBES meetings	12.0
<i>Sub-total I</i>	27,641.5
<i>II. Programme support costs (13%)</i>	3,593.4
TOTAL COST (I + II)	31,234.9

Table 4: Resource requirements from the Special Voluntary Trust Fund (BZ) for Facilitating Participation of Parties in the Convention Process for the biennium 2015-2016*

<i>Description of Meetings</i>	<i>2015</i>	<i>2016)</i>	<i>Total</i>
<i>(Thousands of United States dollars)</i>			
I. Meetings**			
Thirteenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity (COP-13)		1,000.0	1,000.0
Regional Meetings in Preparation for the Conference of the Parties (COP - 13)		100.0	100.0
Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice	600.0	600.0	1,200.0
Meeting of the Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on Article 8(j) and Related Provisions	300.0		300.0
Subsidiary Body on Implementation		300.0	300.0
Second meeting of the Convention on Biological Diversity serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Nagoya Protocol (COP/MOP-2)		600.0	600.0
Sub-total	900.0	2,600.0	3,500.0
II Programme Support Costs	117.0	338.0	455.0
TOTAL COST (I + II)	1,017.0	2,938.0	3,955.0

* After the merger of the BI (Cartagena) and BZ Trust Funds, US\$ 600,000 will be included in the newly merged Trust Fund for Cartagena Protocol COP-MOP-8.

** Sweden pledged SEK 650,000 for support of participation of ILCs and developing country Parties.

Table 5: Indicative resource requirements from the Voluntary Trust Fund (VB) for facilitating participation of indigenous and local communities in the Convention process for the biennium 2015-2016

<i>Description</i>	<i>2015</i>	<i>2016</i>	<i>TOTAL</i>
<i>(Thousands of United States dollars)</i>			
I. Meetings			
Support to Indigenous and Local Communities ^a	200.0	300.0	500.0
Sub-total	200.0	300.0	500.0
II Programme Support Costs	26.0	39.0	65.0
TOTAL COST (I + II)	226.0	339.0	565.0

^a Sweden pledged SEK 650,000 for support of participation of ILCs and developing country Parties.

Table 6: Contribution to the Trust Fund for the Convention on Biological Diversity for the biennium 2015-2016

<i>Party</i>	<i>UN scale of assessments 2015 (per cent)</i>	<i>Scale with 22% ceiling, no LDC paying more than 0.01 % (per cent)</i>	<i>Contributions as per 1 Jan. 2015 US\$</i>	<i>UN scale of assessments 2015 (per cent)</i>	<i>Scale with 22% ceiling, no LDC paying more than 0.01 % (per cent)</i>	<i>Contributions as per 1 Jan. 2016 US\$</i>	<i>Total contributions 2015-2016 US\$</i>
Afghanistan	0.005	0.006	766	0.005	0.006	794	1,560
Albania	0.010	0.013	1,532	0.010	0.013	1,587	3,119
Algeria	0.137	0.171	20,990	0.137	0.171	21,744	42,734
Angola	0.010	0.010	1,225	0.010	0.010	1,269	2,495
Antigua and Barbuda	0.002	0.003	306	0.002	0.003	317	624
Argentina	0.432	0.540	66,186	0.432	0.540	68,565	134,752
Armenia	0.007	0.009	1,072	0.007	0.009	1,111	2,183
Australia	2.074	2.593	317,756	2.074	2.593	329,176	646,932
Austria	0.798	0.998	122,261	0.798	0.998	126,655	248,916
Azerbaijan	0.040	0.050	6,128	0.040	0.050	6,349	12,477
Bahamas	0.017	0.021	2,605	0.017	0.021	2,698	5,303
Bahrain	0.039	0.049	5,975	0.039	0.049	6,190	12,165
Bangladesh	0.010	0.010	1,225	0.010	0.010	1,269	2,495
Barbados	0.008	0.010	1,226	0.008	0.010	1,270	2,495
Belarus	0.056	0.070	8,580	0.056	0.070	8,888	17,468
Belgium	0.998	1.248	152,903	0.998	1.248	158,398	311,301
Belize	0.001	0.001	153	0.001	0.001	159	312
Benin	0.003	0.004	460	0.003	0.004	476	936
Bhutan	0.001	0.001	153	0.001	0.001	159	312
Bolivia (Plurinational State of)	0.009	0.011	1,379	0.009	0.011	1,428	2,807
Bosnia and Herzegovina	0.017	0.021	2,605	0.017	0.021	2,698	5,303
Botswana	0.017	0.021	2,605	0.017	0.021	2,698	5,303
Brazil	2.934	3.668	449,516	2.934	3.668	465,671	915,187
Brunei-Darussalam	0.026	0.033	3,983	0.026	0.033	4,127	8,110
Bulgaria	0.047	0.059	7,201	0.047	0.059	7,460	14,660
Burkina Faso	0.003	0.004	460	0.003	0.004	476	936
Burundi	0.001	0.001	153	0.001	0.001	159	312
Cabo Verde	0.001	0.001	153	0.001	0.001	159	312
Cambodia	0.004	0.005	613	0.004	0.005	635	1,248
Cameroon	0.012	0.015	1,839	0.012	0.015	1,905	3,743
Canada	2.984	3.731	457,177	2.984	3.731	473,607	930,784
Central African Republic	0.001	0.001	153	0.001	0.001	159	312
Chad	0.002	0.003	306	0.002	0.003	317	624
Chile	0.334	0.418	51,172	0.334	0.418	53,011	104,183
China	5.148	6.437	788,722	5.148	6.437	817,067	1,605,789
Colombia	0.259	0.324	39,681	0.259	0.324	41,107	80,789
Comoros	0.001	0.001	153	0.001	0.001	159	312
Congo	0.005	0.006	766	0.005	0.006	794	1,560
Cook Islands	0.001	0.001	153	0.001	0.001	159	312
Costa Rica	0.038	0.048	5,822	0.038	0.048	6,031	11,853

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Côte d'Ivoire	0.011	0.014	1,685	0.011	0.014	1,746	3,431
Croatia	0.126	0.158	19,304	0.126	0.158	19,998	39,303
Cuba	0.069	0.086	10,571	0.069	0.086	10,951	21,523
Cyprus	0.047	0.059	7,201	0.047	0.059	7,460	14,660
Czech Republic	0.386	0.483	59,139	0.386	0.483	61,264	120,403
Democratic People's Republic of Korea	0.006	0.008	919	0.006	0.008	952	1,872
Democratic Republic of the Congo	0.003	0.004	460	0.003	0.004	476	936
Denmark	0.675	0.844	103,416	0.675	0.844	107,133	210,549
Djibouti	0.001	0.001	153	0.001	0.001	159	312
Dominica	0.001	0.001	153	0.001	0.001	159	312
Dominican Republic	0.045	0.056	6,894	0.045	0.056	7,142	14,037
Ecuador	0.044	0.055	6,741	0.044	0.055	6,983	13,725
Egypt	0.134	0.168	20,530	0.134	0.168	21,268	41,798
El Salvador	0.016	0.020	2,451	0.016	0.020	2,539	4,991
Equatorial Guinea	0.010	0.010	1,225	0.010	0.010	1,269	2,495
Eritrea	0.001	0.001	153	0.001	0.001	159	312
Estonia	0.040	0.050	6,128	0.040	0.050	6,349	12,477
Ethiopia	0.010	0.010	1,225	0.010	0.010	1,269	2,495
European Union		2.500	306,340		2.500	317,349	623,690
Fiji	0.003	0.004	460	0.003	0.004	476	936
Finland	0.519	0.649	79,516	0.519	0.649	82,373	161,889
France	5.593	6.993	856,900	5.593	6.993	887,695	1,744,595
Gabon	0.020	0.025	3,064	0.020	0.025	3,174	6,238
Gambia	0.001	0.001	153	0.001	0.001	159	312
Georgia	0.007	0.009	1,072	0.007	0.009	1,111	2,183
Germany	7.141	8.929	1,094,069	7.141	8.929	1,133,387	2,227,455
Ghana	0.014	0.018	2,145	0.014	0.018	2,222	4,367
Greece	0.638	0.798	97,748	0.638	0.798	101,260	199,008
Grenada	0.001	0.001	153	0.001	0.001	159	312
Guatemala	0.027	0.034	4,137	0.027	0.034	4,285	8,422
Guinea	0.002	0.003	306	0.002	0.003	317	624
Guinea-Bissau	0.001	0.001	153	0.001	0.001	159	312
Guyana	0.001	0.001	153	0.001	0.001	159	312
Haiti	0.003	0.004	460	0.003	0.004	476	936
Honduras	0.008	0.010	1,226	0.008	0.010	1,270	2,495
Hungary	0.266	0.333	40,754	0.266	0.333	42,218	82,972
Iceland	0.027	0.034	4,137	0.027	0.034	4,285	8,422
India	0.666	0.833	102,037	0.666	0.833	105,704	207,742
Indonesia	0.346	0.433	53,010	0.346	0.433	54,916	107,926
Iran (Islamic Republic of)	0.356	0.445	54,543	0.356	0.445	56,503	111,045
Iraq	0.068	0.085	10,418	0.068	0.085	10,793	21,211
Ireland	0.418	0.523	64,042	0.418	0.523	66,343	130,385
Israel	0.396	0.495	60,671	0.396	0.495	62,851	123,522

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Italy	4.448	5.561	681,476	4.448	5.561	705,966	1,387,442
Jamaica	0.011	0.014	1,685	0.011	0.014	1,746	3,431
Japan	10.833	13.545	1,659,718	10.833	13.545	1,719,364	3,379,082
Jordan	0.022	0.028	3,371	0.022	0.028	3,492	6,862
Kazakhstan	0.121	0.151	18,538	0.121	0.151	19,205	37,743
Kenya	0.013	0.016	1,992	0.013	0.016	2,063	4,055
Kiribati	0.001	0.001	153	0.001	0.001	159	312
Kuwait	0.273	0.341	41,826	0.273	0.341	43,329	85,155
Kyrgyzstan	0.002	0.003	306	0.002	0.003	317	624
Lao People's Democratic Republic	0.002	0.003	306	0.002	0.003	317	624
Latvia	0.047	0.059	7,201	0.047	0.059	7,460	14,660
Lebanon	0.042	0.053	6,435	0.042	0.053	6,666	13,101
Lesotho	0.001	0.001	153	0.001	0.001	159	312
Liberia	0.001	0.001	153	0.001	0.001	159	312
Libya	0.142	0.178	21,756	0.142	0.178	22,538	44,293
Liechtenstein	0.009	0.011	1,379	0.009	0.011	1,428	2,807
Lithuania	0.073	0.091	11,184	0.073	0.091	11,586	22,771
Luxembourg	0.081	0.101	12,410	0.081	0.101	12,856	25,266
Madagascar	0.003	0.004	460	0.003	0.004	476	936
Malawi	0.002	0.003	306	0.002	0.003	317	624
Malaysia	0.281	0.351	43,052	0.281	0.351	44,599	87,651
Maldives	0.001	0.001	153	0.001	0.001	159	312
Mali	0.004	0.005	613	0.004	0.005	635	1,248
Malta	0.016	0.020	2,451	0.016	0.020	2,539	4,991
Marshall Islands	0.001	0.001	153	0.001	0.001	159	312
Mauritania	0.002	0.003	306	0.002	0.003	317	624
Mauritius	0.013	0.016	1,992	0.013	0.016	2,063	4,055
Mexico	1.842	2.303	282,212	1.842	2.303	292,354	574,566
Micronesia (Federated States of)	0.001	0.001	153	0.001	0.001	159	312
Monaco	0.012	0.015	1,839	0.012	0.015	1,905	3,743
Mongolia	0.003	0.004	460	0.003	0.004	476	936
Montenegro	0.005	0.006	766	0.005	0.006	794	1,560
Morocco	0.062	0.078	9,499	0.062	0.078	9,840	19,339
Mozambique	0.003	0.004	460	0.003	0.004	476	936
Myanmar	0.010	0.010	1,225	0.010	0.010	1,269	2,495
Namibia	0.010	0.013	1,532	0.010	0.013	1,587	3,119
Nauru	0.001	0.001	153	0.001	0.001	159	312
Nepal	0.006	0.008	919	0.006	0.008	952	1,872
Netherlands	1.654	2.068	253,408	1.654	2.068	262,515	515,924
New Zealand	0.253	0.316	38,762	0.253	0.316	40,155	78,917
Nicaragua	0.003	0.004	460	0.003	0.004	476	936
Niger	0.002	0.003	306	0.002	0.003	317	624
Nigeria	0.090	0.113	13,789	0.090	0.113	14,284	28,073

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Niue	0.001	0.001	153	0.001	0.001	159	312
Norway	0.851	1.064	130,381	0.851	1.064	135,067	265,448
Oman	0.102	0.128	15,627	0.102	0.128	16,189	31,816
Pakistan	0.085	0.106	13,023	0.085	0.106	13,491	26,514
Palau	0.001	0.001	153	0.001	0.001	159	312
Panama	0.026	0.033	3,983	0.026	0.033	4,127	8,110
Papua New Guinea	0.004	0.005	613	0.004	0.005	635	1,248
Paraguay	0.010	0.013	1,532	0.010	0.013	1,587	3,119
Peru	0.117	0.146	17,926	0.117	0.146	18,570	36,495
Philippines	0.154	0.193	23,594	0.154	0.193	24,442	48,036
Poland	0.921	1.152	141,106	0.921	1.152	146,177	287,283
Portugal	0.474	0.593	72,621	0.474	0.593	75,231	147,852
Qatar	0.209	0.261	32,021	0.209	0.261	33,172	65,192
Republic of Korea	1.994	2.493	305,500	1.994	2.493	316,478	621,978
Republic of Moldova	0.003	0.004	460	0.003	0.004	476	936
Romania	0.226	0.283	34,625	0.226	0.283	35,870	70,495
Russian Federation	2.438	3.048	373,525	2.438	3.048	386,948	760,473
Rwanda	0.002	0.003	306	0.002	0.003	317	624
Saint Kitts and Nevis	0.001	0.001	153	0.001	0.001	159	312
Saint Lucia	0.001	0.001	153	0.001	0.001	159	312
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	0.001	0.001	153	0.001	0.001	159	312
Samoa	0.001	0.001	153	0.001	0.001	159	312
San Marino	0.003	0.004	460	0.003	0.004	476	936
Sao Tome and Principe	0.001	0.001	153	0.001	0.001	159	312
Saudi Arabia	0.864	1.080	132,373	0.864	1.080	137,130	269,503
Senegal	0.006	0.008	919	0.006	0.008	952	1,872
Serbia	0.040	0.050	6,128	0.040	0.050	6,349	12,477
Seychelles	0.001	0.001	153	0.001	0.001	159	312
Sierra Leone	0.001	0.001	153	0.001	0.001	159	312
Singapore	0.384	0.480	58,832	0.384	0.480	60,947	119,779
Slovakia	0.171	0.214	26,199	0.171	0.214	27,140	53,339
Slovenia	0.100	0.125	15,321	0.100	0.125	15,872	31,192
Solomon Islands	0.001	0.001	153	0.001	0.001	159	312
Somalia	0.001	0.001	153	0.001	0.001	159	312
South Africa	0.372	0.465	56,994	0.372	0.465	59,042	116,036
South Sudan	0.004	0.005	613	0.004	0.005	635	1,248
Spain	2.973	3.717	455,492	2.973	3.717	471,861	927,352
Sri Lanka	0.025	0.031	3,830	0.025	0.031	3,968	7,798
Sudan	0.010	0.010	1,225	0.010	0.010	1,269	2,495
Suriname	0.004	0.005	613	0.004	0.005	635	1,248
Swaziland	0.003	0.004	460	0.003	0.004	476	936
Sweden	0.960	1.200	147,081	0.960	1.200	152,367	299,448
Switzerland	1.047	1.309	160,410	1.047	1.309	166,175	326,585
Syrian Arab Republic	0.036	0.045	5,516	0.036	0.045	5,714	11,229

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Tajikistan	0.003	0.004	460	0.003	0.004	476	936
Thailand	0.239	0.299	36,617	0.239	0.299	37,933	74,550
The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia	0.008	0.010	1,226	0.008	0.010	1,270	2,495
Timor-Leste	0.002	0.003	306	0.002	0.003	317	624
Togo	0.001	0.001	153	0.001	0.001	159	312
Tonga	0.001	0.001	153	0.001	0.001	159	312
Trinidad and Tobago	0.044	0.055	6,741	0.044	0.055	6,983	13,725
Tunisia	0.036	0.045	5,516	0.036	0.045	5,714	11,229
Turkey	1.328	1.660	203,462	1.328	1.660	210,774	414,236
Turkmenistan	0.019	0.024	2,911	0.019	0.024	3,016	5,927
Tuvalu	0.001	0.001	153	0.001	0.001	159	312
Uganda	0.006	0.008	919	0.006	0.008	952	1,872
Ukraine	0.099	0.124	15,168	0.099	0.124	15,713	30,881
United Arab Emirates	0.595	0.744	91,160	0.595	0.744	94,436	185,595
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	5.179	6.475	793,472	5.179	6.475	821,987	1,615,459
United Republic of Tanzania	0.009	0.010	1,225	0.009	0.010	1,269	2,495
Uruguay	0.052	0.065	7,967	0.052	0.065	8,253	16,220
Uzbekistan	0.015	0.019	2,298	0.015	0.019	2,381	4,679
Vanuatu	0.001	0.001	153	0.001	0.001	159	312
Venezuela	0.627	0.784	96,062	0.627	0.784	99,515	195,577
Viet Nam	0.042	0.053	6,435	0.042	0.053	6,666	13,101
Yemen	0.010	0.010	1,225	0.010	0.010	1,269	2,495
Zambia	0.006	0.008	919	0.006	0.008	952	1,872
Zimbabwe	0.002	0.003	306	0.002	0.003	317	624
TOTAL	77.995	100.000	12,253,609	77.995	100.000	12,693,973	24,947,582