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**N O T I F I C A T I O N**

**Peer review of a draft report submitted by the Center for International Forestry Research** (**CIFOR)**

**“Towards a sustainable, participatory and inclusive wild meat sector”**

Dear Madam/Sir,

 I am pleased to circulate, for review by Parties and observers, a draft report “Towards a sustainable, participatory and inclusive wild meat sector”.

The report has been prepared by the Center for International Forestry Research (CIFOR) with inputs from the CBD Secretariat and other members of the Collaborative Partnership on Sustainable Wildlife Management, pursuant to decision XIII/8, paragraph 5 (a), which requested the preparation of further technical guidance for better governance towards a more sustainable bushmeat sector, with a view to supporting Parties’ implementation of the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020.

The report provides the basis for the document “Sustainable Wildlife Management: Guidance for A Sustainable Wild Meat Sector” (CBD/SBSTTA/21/3) which will be considered under agenda item at the twenty-first meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice, and, accordingly, is also being made as an information document for that meeting.

The report is available for peer-review by Parties and observers to the Convention on Biological Diversity, by **31 December 2017**, on the website of the Convention at the following address: <https://www.cbd.int/sbstta21-wg8j10/review>. Please note that this document is an unedited draft, for comments only, and not for citation or other uses.

Kindly send your suggested changes and comments to the Secretariat by e-mail at: secretariat@cbd.int or by fax at +1 514 288 6588, using the template accessible in the annex to this notification.

The report will be finalized for publication in 2018 taking into account review comments submitted as well the discussions at the twenty-first meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice and, as appropriate, the tenth meeting of the Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on Article 8(j) and Related Provisions.

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

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 Executive Secretary

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