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NOTIFICATION

Progress in implementing the 2015-2020 Gender Plan of Action: Request for contributions to inform the second meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Implementation of the Convention on Biological Diversity

Dear Madam/Sir,

The purpose of this notification is to invite Parties, other Governments, indigenous peoples and local communities, and relevant organizations, to submit information on progress in implementing the 2015-2020 Gender Plan of Action and any other efforts related to gender mainstreaming.

In decision XII/7, paragraph 12, the Conference of the Parties requested Parties to report on actions undertaken to implement the Gender Plan of Action. Submissions received in response to the present notification will be compiled by the Secretariat and help to inform the preparation of a Note by the Executive Secretary on progress in implementing the 2015-2020 Gender Plan of Action for consideration by the Subsidiary Body on Implementation at its second meeting. In order to facilitate inputs, a set of guiding questions is provided in the Annex to this notification.

In order to support the timely preparation of documentation for the second meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Implementation, submissions should be provided as soon as possible and no later than 31 January 2018 to the following e-mail address: secretariat@cbd.int.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation and for your continued support for the work of the Convention.

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

Cristiana Paşca Palmer, PhD **Executive Secretary**

To: CBD National Focal Points, other Governments, Indigenous Peoples and Local Communities, and **Relevant Organizations**









ANNEX

Questions for consideration when reporting on contributions made toward the objectives of the 2015-2020 Gender Plan of Action:

- To what extent are gender issues being addressed in the implementation of the NBSAP? Can you provide some examples? (for reference please see proposed objective 1 of the 2015-2020 Gender Plan of Action)
- Has your country or organization been using and/or collecting sex-disaggregated data, for instance in actions to implement the NBSAP? (for reference please see possible actions 1.4; 7.3; 9.1 identified in the 2015-2020 Gender Plan of Action)
- Have measures been put in place to ensure the representation of both women and men in processes and activities related to the national implementation of the Convention? Have women's organizations been engaged in consultations, capacity-building events, or any other activities? Has the ministry responsible for women's affairs, or equivalent, been engaged in such processes? (possible actions 1.3; 6.1; 6.3; 8.2; 9.2)
- Has your country or organization conducted research or undertaken analysis on the use, knowledge, risks, and contributions of women and men in relation to biodiversity conservation and sustainable use? (possible actions 3.2; 7.1; 7.2)
- Has your country or organization carried out activities to make use of women's biodiversity knowledge or environmental leadership (e.g. ecological restoration, agrobiodiversity, invasive species management)? Can you provide some examples or case studies? (possible actions 1.7; 3.1, 3.2)
- Are there any other actions undertaken by your country or organization that you see as contributing to the integration of gender issues in work to implement the Convention?
- What relevant actions in this context, has your country or organization planned or undertaken to contribute toward the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)? (SDG targets of particular relevance to gender and biodiversity issues include 1.4; 1B; 2.3; 5.5; 5A; 5C; 10.2; 13B; and 16.7)
- Have you identified any particular information or guidance needs to support more effective
 implementation of the Convention on Biological Diversity's Gender Plan of Action? If so, please
 indicate what areas of research (e.g. gender and fisheries, gender and traditional knowledge) or types
 of documentation (e.g. compilation of case studies, checklists on gender mainstreaming) you would
 identify as priorities.