

CONVENTION ON BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY

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UNITED NATIONS DECADE ON BIODIVERSITY 2011-2020

Draft recommendation proposed by Japan on behalf of the Bureau

The Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on Review of Implementation of the Convention *recommends* that the Conference of the Parties adopt a decision along the following lines:

The Conference of the Parties,

Highlighting the importance of biodiversity for the achievement of the Millennium Development Goals,

Emphasizing the need to achieve the full implementation of the Strategic Plan of the Convention 2011-2020,

Reaffirming the importance of raising public awareness on biodiversity related issues,

Stressing the need to build on the momentum achieved by the celebration of the International Year of Biodiversity,

1. *Invites* the United Nations General Assembly to consider declaring 2011-2020 the United Nations Decade on Biodiversity;

2. *Requests* the Executive Secretary of the Convention, in cooperation with relevant partners:

(a) To facilitate and promote full participation in the United Nations Decade in order to support implementation of the Strategic Plan of the Convention for the period 2011-2020;

(b) With the support of the Environmental Management Group, to facilitate coordination and information exchange with other relevant bodies of the United Nation for this purpose;

(c) To take stock of the implementation of targets and action plans set by Parties and stakeholders, and to report them annually to the Secretary-General of the United Nations for the duration of the Decade.

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