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NOTIFICATION**SBSTTA recommendation XI/13 on Sustainable Use
Compilation of initiatives, processes and organizations that develop and consolidate
indicators on the sustainable use of biodiversity**

Dear Madam/Sir,

The purpose of this notification is to invite Parties and relevant organizations to take specific action to assist the Secretariat in the preparation of a compilation of initiatives, processes and organizations that develop and consolidate indicators on the sustainable use of biodiversity, for consideration by the Conference of the Parties at its eighth meeting, which will be held in Curitiba, Brazil from 20 to 31 March 2006.

In paragraph 4 of recommendation XI/13, on sustainable use, the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice (SBSTTA) takes note of the ongoing, and encourages new initiatives and processes on the regional and international levels to further develop indicators on sustainable use applicable in different regions and sectors, and encourages those initiatives to consider the specific conditions and capacity constraints of developing countries when developing indicators. In paragraph 5 of the same recommendation, SBSTTA requested the Executive Secretary to take note of initiatives, processes and organizations and their efforts to further develop and consolidate indicators on the sustainable use of biodiversity, and to report thereon to the eighth meeting of the Conference of the Parties.

In response to this request, the Secretariat hereby invites Parties, Governments and relevant organizations to submit information on initiatives, processes and organizations at the regional and international levels that develop and consolidate indicators on sustainable use. The information received will be integrated into a report for consideration by the Conference of the Parties at its eighth meeting.

Parties, Governments and relevant organizations are kindly invited to provide the Secretariat with information on the above no later than **20 January 2006**.

Accept, Madam/Sir, the assurances of my highest consideration.

Yours sincerely,

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Relevant organizations