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NOTIFICATION

Contributions to the Publication of a “Plant Conservation Report”

Dear Madam/Sir,

The twelfth meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice (SBSTTA-12), in Recommendation XII/2, requested the Executive Secretary to develop, by the ninth meeting of the Conference of the Parties (COP-9), in collaboration with the Global Partnership for Plant Conservation, UNEP-World Conservation Monitoring Centre, and relevant organizations, taking into account contributions from Parties, other Governments, and relevant stakeholders, a “Plant Conservation Report” that could provide inputs to the third edition of the Global Biodiversity Outlook, and serve as a communication and awareness-raising tool on the implementation of the Global Strategy for Plant Conservation (GSPC).

The recent in-depth review of the Strategy generated valuable information for communicating progress, challenges, opportunities and gaps. It has yielded new examples and case studies on the implementation of the various targets of the GSPC. The planned Plant Conservation Report will provide a synthesis of the key findings, progress, as well key messages, arising from the in-depth review, to be communicated in a non-technical format. It is anticipated that these messages will help to engage a variety of stakeholders more proactively in the implementation of the GSPC, and of the Convention, and promote the achievement of the 16 outcome targets of the GSPC by 2010.

The report is envisaged to include a double-page spread for each of the 16 targets with information drawn from multiple sources, including third national reports from Parties, additional information and case studies provided by Parties, partnerships, relevant organizations and other stakeholders.

Through this notification, you are invited to bring to the attention of the Secretariat any additional materials, case studies and experiences that you would like to be considered in the preparation of the Plant Conservation Report. Please send the information to secretariat@cbd.int, or fax to +1-514-288-6588, at your earliest convenience, but no later than **15 October 2007**.

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

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Executive Secretary

To: GSPC Focal Points and relevant stakeholders



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