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NOTIFICATION

Release of the CBD Biodiversity for Development Newsletter

Dear Madam/Sir,

I am pleased to inform you that the first issue of the Secretariat's newsletter on *Biodiversity for Development and Poverty Alleviation* has been posted on the CBD website. It can be downloaded at the following address:

<http://www.cbd.int/doc/newsletters/news-bd-01-en.pdf>

This newsletter is one of the first outcomes from the "Biodiversity for Development Unit" recently established by the CBD Secretariat within its Implementation and Technical Support (ITS) Division, with the support of the French and the German governments. The objectives of this Unit will be to promote the integration of biodiversity considerations into sectoral policies or cross-sectoral strategies (e.g. PRSPs or Sustainable Development Strategies), as well as ensure the development dimension in National Biodiversity Strategies and Action Plans (NBSAP).

For your information, an educational brochure on the links between biodiversity, development and poverty alleviation within the context of the Millennium Development Goals is also available on the CBD website and can be downloaded at the following address:

<http://www.cbd.int/doc/publications/bd-brochure-en.pdf>

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

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Executive Secretary

To: CBD National Focal Points



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