GOVERNMENT OF THE UNION OF MYANMAR

NATIONAL COMMISSION FOR ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS

Dr. Ahmed Djoghlaf Executive Secretary Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity UNEP Montreal, Quebec, Canada

Subject:

Celebration of IYB 2010

Dear Dr. Ahmed Djoghlaf,

I would like to inform you that to coincide with International Day for Biological Diversity on 22 May, the celebration of IYB 2010 was held on that day in Nay Pvi Taw, Myanmar.

Present on the event were Chairman of the National Commission for Environmental Affairs (NCEA) and Minister for Forestry U Thein Aung, Deputy Minister for Railways Transportation Thura U Thaung Lwin, Representative of Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) Yangon Mr. Shin Imai, officials from UNDP, Director General and Managing Directors of departments and enterprises, Head of Universities and Basic Education High Schools and NGOs.

Activities included are delivering by Chairman of NCEA, reading the message of CBD Executive Secretary by Mr. Shin Imai, showing "The time to act is now" video, holding a poster exhibition and presenting four biodiversity related papers at the event.

We will send "Celebration of IYB in Myanmar DVD" through diplomatic channel soon.

With best regards,

7/15/ 37 07 200 TVID Yours sincerely,

(Dr. San Win, Joint Secretary)