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The Permanent Mission of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan to the United Nations presents its compliments to the Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD) and reference to its letter dated 02 December 2010, regarding the IYB celebration plan, the Mission has the honor to attach herewith a summary of the main activities held during 2010.

The Permanent Mission of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan to the United Nations avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD), the assurances of its highest consideration.

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Summary of the main activities in Jordan related to the celebration of the International Year of Biodiversity in 2010:

- The organization of the main celebration event of International Year
 of Biodiversity under the auspices of the Prime Minister and the
 Participation of the Minister of the Environment, the Minister of
 Education and chairman of the Jordan Press Foundation.
- A competition was organized among students at schools (including best article and best graphics). There was also a competition for journalists (related to the best article on the Zarqa River Basin).
- Brochures related to the IYB were distributed.
- A field trip for journalists was organized to Azraq Wildlife Reserve.
- Lectures were given to enhance awareness at schools and emphasize the importance of biodiversity and the International Year of Biodiversity.
- The logo of the International Year of Biodiversity was added to the websites of many ministries, institutions and environmental associations.