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Subject: Working Party on International Environment Issues

Date: 8 April 2016

Time: 10.00

Venue: COUNCIL
JUSTUS LIPSIUS BUILDING
Rue de la Loi 175, 1048 BRUSSELS

Biodiversity

1. Reports by the Bureaux members (CBD COP 12, COP-MOP 1, SBSTTA)
 - a) Friends of the CBD workshop on mechanisms to support review of implementation of the Convention (Bogis-Bossey, 21-23 March 2016)
 - b) Informal EU expert meeting on Strategic discussions under the CBD (Brussels, 7 April 2016)
2. CBD Notifications
 - Updated table
3. 20th meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice (SBSTTA-20), (Montreal, 25-30 April 2016)
 - Finalisation of the orientation lines
4. First meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Implementation (SBI-1), (Montreal, 2-6 May 2016)
 - Finalisation of EU position

5. Marine biodiversity
 - a) Negotiations on a draft text of an international legally-binding instrument under the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea on the Conservation and Sustainable Use of Marine Biodiversity in Areas beyond national jurisdiction
 - b) Eighth Meeting of Parties to the Agreement on the Conservation of Small Cetaceans in the Baltic, North East Atlantic, Irish and North Seas (ASCOBANS) (Helsinki, 30 August - 1 September 2016)
 - c) Sixth Meeting of Parties to the Agreement on the Conservation of Cetaceans of the Black Sea, the Mediterranean Sea and contiguous Atlantic area (ACCOBAMS) (Monaco, 22-25 November 2016)
 - Information from the Presidency and Commission
6. Enhancing synergies among biodiversity-related conventions
 - State of play of the UNEP project and UNEA-2 draft resolutions
 - = Information from the Presidency and Commission
7. Any other business

NB: A limited stock of documents produced immediately prior to the meeting will be available in the meeting room. Room attendants will provide copies on request at the earliest opportunity