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Subject: Working Party on International Environment Issues (Biosafety)

Date: 27 April 2018

Time: 10.00

Venue: COUNCIL
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Rue de la Loi 175, 1048 BRUSSELS

1. Updated roadmap on Biosafety
= *Information from the Presidency*
2. Notifications under Cartagena Protocol
 - a) Updated list
 - b) CBD notification 2018-036 on Capacity Building (Article 22)
3. Recent and upcoming intersessional meetings
 - a) Third Meeting of COP Bureau (Chexbres, Switzerland, 6 March 2018)
 - b) SBSTTA Bureau (teleconference, 18 April 2018)
 - c) Sixth session of the Plenary of the Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services (Medellin, Columbia, 17-24 March 2018)

- d) Ad hoc technical expert group on Synthetic Biology (Montreal, Canada, 5-8 December 2017)
 - e) Ad hoc technical expert group on Digital Sequence Information on Genetic Resources (Montreal, Canada, 13-16 February 2018)
 - f) Online Discussion on Public Awareness regarding LMOs (15 March-5 April 2018)
 - g) Online Forum on Risk Assessment and Risk Management (29 January-12 February 2018)
 - h) Fourth Meeting of the Informal Expert Group on the follow-up to the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity (25 April 2018)
 - i) Fifteenth Meeting of the Compliance Committee under the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety (Montreal, Canada, 8-10 May 2018)
 - = *Information from the Presidency, the Commission and delegations*
4. Preparation for the 22nd meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice (SBSTTA 22) of the Convention on Biological Diversity (Montreal, Canada, 2-7 July 2018)
- a) Organisation of work
 - b) Draft Orientation lines
 - = *Discussion*
5. Preparation for the second meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Implementation (SBI-2) of the Convention on Biological Diversity (Montreal, Canada, 9-13 July 2018)
- a) Organisation of work
 - b) Draft Position papers
 - = *Discussion*
6. Preparation of the Ninth meeting of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety COP-MOP 9 (Sharm el-Sheikh, Egypt, 10-22 November 2018)
- a) Organisation of work
 - b) Distribution of tasks
 - c) Follow up to the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020 (with regard to the Strategic Plan of the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety for the period 2011 2020 and its multi-year programme of work)
 - = *Discussion*
 - d) Council conclusions for COP-MOP 9
 - = *Information from the incoming Presidency and exchange of views*
7. Any other business

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