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NOTIFICATION Launch of Easy-SMTA

Dear Madam/Sir,

The Secretariat of the International Treaty is pleased to announce that a new version of the Information Technology Tool in support of the Multilateral System of Access and Benefit-sharing of the Treaty is online under the name of EASY-SMTA.

This System has been developed to assist users with:

- compiling and generating SMTAs in the six official languages of the International Treaty;
- reporting on SMTAs concluded in accordance with the instructions made by the Governing Body of the International Treaty.

Easy-SMTA is of voluntary use and offers users new practical solutions to improve efficiency, such as the function to conclude online agreements.

The system has not changed its web address and is available at:

<http://mls.planttreaty.org>

Users of the former Treaty's system, SINGER or Genesys, will keep their username and account information. Nevertheless, as part of the new password policy they will be invited by e-mail to set up a new password and to check their contact details. The transition period will last two weeks since the date of the present notification. After that, users will be able to log in with their new login credentials in SINGER and Genesys too.

We remain at your disposal and for any query related to this tool at:

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

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Secretary

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