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ON PLANT GENETIC RESOURCES FOR FOOD AND AGRICULTURE



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NOTIFICATION

Call for Funding of the Special Funds for Agreed Purposes and Special Fund for the Participation of Developing Countries in connection with Activities foreseen under the Work Programme and Budget 2014-15

Dear Madam/Sir,

I have the honour to draw your attention to the Report of the Fifth Session of the Governing Body of the International Treaty (Muscat, Oman, 24-28 September 2013) and the decisions contained therein. In particular, reference is made to Resolution 13/2013 by which the Work Programme and Budget for the 2014-15 biennium was adopted¹.

It is recalled that during the meetings of the Budget Committee of the Fifth Session of the Governing Body, Members of the Committee were informed of the serious depletion of resources that had occurred under the Special Funds for Agreed Purposes and the Special Fund for the Participation of Developing Countries during recent years. Detailed information was provided in the documentation for the Fifth Session.

Many activities essential to the Work Programmes of the past two biennia and vital to the ongoing implementation of central Treaty systems will be inevitably affected by this lack of funds. In this context, it is foreseen that the essential activities envisaged in Addendum 1A and 1B to Annex 1 of the adopted Work Programme and Budget for 2014-15 may not be implemented.

The purpose of this notification is to inform Contracting Parties of the current depletion of funds and to invite them to make contributions to the Special Funds in support of the implementation of the Work Programme for 2014-15. An early response to this Notification will facilitate the planning of the implementation of the Programme of Work.

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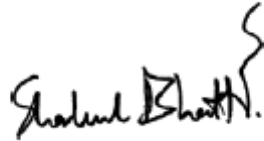
¹ http://www.planttreaty.org/content/fifth_gb_resolutions



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

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Shakeel Bhatti". The signature is stylized and includes a long, vertical flourish on the right side.

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