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NOTIFICATION

On-line survey of the impacts of COVID-19 on implementation of the International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture

Dear Sir/Dear Madam,

I have the honour to bring to the attention of all national focal points of the International Treaty, the on-line survey, which the Secretariat is undertaking. In recognition of the current and potential future challenges to agricultural and food production arising from the COVID-19 pandemic, the Secretariat has developed the survey in order to gather information and views on the specific impacts of COVID-19 on implementation of the International Treaty at the country level.

The results of the survey will assist Contracting Parties with identifying key issues affecting implementation of the International Treaty and defining possible responses and measures. The Secretariat will present a report to the next Session of the Governing Body of the Treaty in this regard, and will make its best efforts to raise awareness of the survey results and facilitate continuous information-sharing and cooperation among Contracting Parties and other stakeholders.

In the analysis of the survey results, the Secretariat will neither identify specific country inputs nor share personal data of the respondents in any publicly available documentation. In this context, while cognizant of the effort it might require and aiming not to cause any undue burden, I encourage you to share any available information, including information that you may have received from relevant stakeholders in your respective country.

The on-line survey is available in English, French and Spanish at the following link:

https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/ITPGRFA_Covid-19
https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/ITPGRFA_Covid-19_fr
https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/ITPGRFA_Covid-19_es

In order to allow for the timely compilation and analysis of the results, I would appreciate if you could complete the on-line survey by **31 July 2020**.

Should you require any further clarification or assistance with the on-line survey, please do not hesitate to contact us at: pgrfa-treaty@fao.org.



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

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Kent Nnadozie', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Kent Nnadozie

Secretary

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