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NOTIFICATION
Peer review of the draft Global Strategy for Plant Conservation 2011-2020

Dear Madam/Sir,

In decision IX/3, the Conference of the Parties (COP) decided to consider the further development and implementation of the Global Strategy for Plant Conservation (GSPC) beyond 2010, taking into account current and emerging environmental challenges on plant diversity, including an update of the current targets within the broader context of and consistent with the new Strategic Plan beyond 2010, and requested the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice (SBSTTA) to provide proposals for a consolidated update of the GSPC.

I am pleased to inform you that, in its third meeting held from 26 to 28 May 2009 in Dublin, Ireland, the Liaison Group on the GSPC has prepared a draft updated strategy. The peer review can be accessed from www.cbd.int/gspc/gspcreview and is **open until 1 October 2009**. I strongly encourage you to participate in the peer review and give us your views on this updated strategy for the next decade.

I thank you in advance for your cooperation and your continued support for the work of the Convention on Biological Diversity.

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

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Executive Secretary

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communities and other relevant stakeholders

