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### COMMUNICATION

#### **NOTICE OF MEETING AND PROVISIONAL AGENDA**

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Subject: Working Party on International Environment Issues (Biosafety)  
**(morning only)**

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Date: 2 October 2023

Time: 10:00

Venue: COUNCIL

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Rue de la Loi 175, 1048 BRUSSELS

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1. Work under the Spanish Presidency  
= *Information from the Presidency*
  
2. Table of notifications  
= *Information from the Presidency and exchange of views*

3. Update from the Bureau of the Fifteen Conference of the Parties of the Convention on Biological Diversity (COP-15)  
= *Information from the Presidency and exchange of views*
4. Past and relevant events
  - a) First meeting of the Multidisciplinary Ad Hoc Technical Expert Group on Synthetic Biology (Montreal, Canada, 11-14 July 2023)  
= *Information from the Presidency, the Commission and exchange of views*
  - b) Second meeting of the Ad Hoc Technical Expert Group (AHTEG) on indicators for the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework (online, 11 July 2023)  
= *Information from the Presidency and exchange of views*
  - c) Online forum on Risk Assessment (21-30 August 2023)  
= *Information from the Presidency and the Commission*
  - d) Webinar: 20th Anniversary of the Protocol on Biosafety (online, 11 September 2023)  
= *Information from the Presidency*
5. Upcoming meetings
  - a) Twenty-fifth meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice (Nairobi, Kenya, 15-19 October 2023): Agenda Item 3(a): Facilitating the implementation of the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework and the monitoring of its progress  
= *Discussion on the draft orientation lines and on the proposed indicator for Target 17*
  - b) Resumed sessions of the second part of COP-15, COP-MOP 10 and COP-MOP-4 (Nairobi, Kenya, 19-20 October 2023)  
= *Information from the Presidency and exchange of views*
  - c) Eighteenth meeting of the Compliance Committee (24-26 October 2023)  
= *Information from the Presidency and exchange of views*
  - d) First meeting of the Ad Hoc Technical Expert Group on Risk Assessment (Montreal, Canada, 1-3 November 2023)  
= *Information from the Presidency, the Commission and exchange of views*
6. Any Other Business

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