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INFORMATION NOTE

Participation of observer organizations in the United Nations Climate Change Conference, COP 24/CMP 14/CMA 1.3 Katowice, Poland

I refer to the information note dated 9 August 2018 to all intergovernmental organizations (IGOs) and non-governmental organizations (NGOs) admitted as observers by the Conference of the Parties regarding the opening of the Online Registration System (ORS) for the United Nations Climate Change Conference to be held in Katowice, Poland.

By the time of closing of the nomination period, i.e. Monday, 24 September 2018, midnight Central European Time (CET), the secretariat has received 21,545 nominations from 1,275 observer organizations.

The secretariat is pleased to announce that despite the large number of nominations received, all observer organizations that made nominations by the deadline will be able to be represented at COP 24/CMP 14/CMA 1.3. Taking into consideration the security and safety of participants, the capacity of the premises, as well as the services available, the secretariat would like to inform all IGOs and NGOs that the conference premises can accommodate **1,000 and 4,600 participants from IGOs and NGOs respectively per week (5,600 in total per week)**, i.e. up to 11,200 observer participants over the two weeks of the conference.

The ORS is open for the **confirmation** of nominated IGO and NGO participants from Thursday, 4 October 2018 to Monday, 26 November 2018, midnight CET. The confirmation deadline will be applied strictly and the secretariat is not in a position to process late confirmations or additional nominations. Consequently, early confirmation once the ORS is opened is strongly recommended, which will also help to ensure the timely issuance of visas to the relevant participants.

Yours sincerely,

(Signed by)

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