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## Designation of a Transboundary Wetland of International Importance by Republic of Hungary and the Slovak Republic

Dear Mr. Secretary General,

To fulfill the commitments made by the two countries in their national reports submitted to the 8th Conference of the Contracting Parties of the Convention on Wetlands (Ramsar, Iran, 1971), we, the undersigned persons in charge of nature conservation of Hungary and Slovakia, in accordance with Article 2 of the text of the Convention on Wetlands, hereby jointly designate the following transboundary Hungarian-Slovakian site to the List of Wetlands of International Importance:

> Felső-Tisza (in English Upper Tisza) Hungarian part 22 310,7 hectares

Alúvium Tisy (in English Tisa River alluvium) Slovakian part 734,6 hectares

The detailed Information Sheets on Ramsar Wetlands (RIS) and maps will be sent to the Ramsar Bureau separately by the two countries.

This action is also part of activities of International Year of Freshwater 2003.

We hope that this effective and fruitful cooperation between Slovakia and Hungary in the field of nature conservation will be appreciated by the international community.

Please, Secretary General, accept the assurance of our highest consideration.

Sincerely yours,

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