

**Notification 2014/3: Ramsar request to Permanent Representatives of Contracting Parties
in New York regarding the Zero Draft of the Open Working Group on Sustainable
Development Goals**

The Secretariat of the Convention on Wetlands (Ramsar, Iran, 1971) presents its compliments to the Permanent Mission of ----- and has the honour to refer to the following:

On 9 July 2014, the Ramsar Secretariat sent by electronic mail the attached letter from the Secretary General to Permanent Representatives of Ramsar Contracting Parties to the United Nations in New York. It also copied the letter by email to the Contracting Parties' Administrative Authorities and National Focal Points.

The letter addresses the urgent need to ensure that the Sustainable Development Goals reflect the role of freshwater ecosystems in the sustainable provision of water.

The Secretariat of the Convention on Wetlands respectfully requests that the content of the present Note be communicated to the competent national authorities and avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Permanent Mission of ----- the assurance of its highest consideration.

Gland, Switzerland, 15 June 2014

Enclosed:

- Letter (in English) to Permanent Representatives of Ramsar Contracting Parties to the United Nations in New York.