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PROVISIONAL AGENDA

1. Opening of the meeting
2. Organizational matters
 - 2.1. Adoption of the agenda;
 - 2.2. Review of mandate and expected results;
 - 2.3. Organization of work.
3. Review and finalization of results of the inter-sessional work of Working Group I on:
 - (a) Status and trends of biodiversity of dry and sub-humid lands;
 - (b) Indicators of the status and trends of biological diversity; monitoring and early warning systems;
 - (c) Possible establishment of an international network of dry and sub-humid areas of particular value for biodiversity; and
 - (d) Consideration of capacity development, and the need of some Parties for assistance in seeking resources to develop proposals.
4. Review and finalization of results of the inter-sessional work of Working Group II on:
 - (a) Processes affecting biodiversity;
 - (b) Assessment of the progress and the effects of the specific measures
 - (c) Global benefits derived from biodiversity and valuation of biodiversity; and

(d) Socio-economic impacts of biodiversity loss, including the interrelationship between biodiversity and poverty.

5. Priority-setting

(a) Assessment of international priorities set up at the regional and global levels;

(b) Proposals for expected outcomes, further activities, possible actors that may implement them, and timetables for action.

6. Mechanism to coordinate activities in biodiversity, desertification/land degradation and climate change and integration of the National Biodiversity Strategies and Action Plans under the Convention on Biological Diversity and the National Action Programmes under the Convention to Combat Desertification.

7. Other matters.

8. Adoption of the report.

9. Closure of the meeting.
