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Subject: RE: From RUL Garrido/ REMINDER: SCBD Notification: Decision XI/30: Incentive measures & Decision XI/4: Review of implementation of the strategy for resource mobilization, including the establishment of targets

Dear Mrs Gordana Dosen.

Thanks for your remainder. Since I received you first e mail, I resend it to the person in charge of the CBD 's Decisions in our Direction, Mrs Lourdes Coya. I am sending her a copy of the e mail.

I will be out of the office during all next week, but I gave her my comments regarding your request, and I hope that the form will be completed and sent to you, on time officially.

Since the Expert Meeting on eradication perverse incentives and promotion on positives ones for Biodiversity UNCBD Paris Oct 2009, our country have been continued developing the Economic Incentives and Instruments for the biodiversity.

We continue the use of the central planning in the financial support to solve or eradicate the contamination in national relevant Rivers Basins and Bays and has been improved the Law 73 "Tax System", of August 4, 1994 with the approval of few new environmental taxes,

That law was updated by Law 113 of the Tax System of the November 21, 2013 which perfected and complement the environmental taxes applied system in the country. For example:

- a) Taxes on use and exploitation of Bays. ,that approved the extension of the Havana Bay User Tax, to other important Bays like Matanzas Santiago de Cuba , Cienfuegos, Mariel.**
- b) Tax for the Use of Forest Resources and Wildlife , maintaining the Forest Tax and adding a new one for the protected areas.**
- c) Tax for waste waters spills in watersheds, and in a group of selected bays..**
- d) Tax for the Right of Use of ground water**
- e) Tax on the uses of the Beaches**

All these instruments continue developing our Economic Instrument Matrix and will play an important role in the protection of our National Environment, that include the biological diversity that host those ecosystems, in two senses., first making influence in the economic performance of the producers pushing them to the modification of the production patterns and on the other hand, will be a source to the financial support the environmental protection and activities.

All those action may be considered, in the TEEB and CDB language, as removal of barriers, or new positives measures in the race for the biological diversity protection.

I hope this information will be useful for you work.

With my best regards

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