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AGENDA ITEM 10: MAINSTREAMING

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Statement on behalf of the **International Indigenous Forum on Biodiversity (IIFB)** by Abigail Kitma, Tebtebba

Thank you, Chair, I am speaking on behalf of the International Indigenous Forum on Biodiversity.

As stated in LBO 2, awareness-raising and mainstreaming of biodiversity requires a shift away from a sole focus on economic values towards diverse intrinsic, social, and cultural values across society. Mainstreaming these holistic values requires stronger action to include Indigenous Peoples and local communities as knowledge-holders and key agents of change, innovation, and transformation.

On the draft recommendations:

We do think there were gaps in the draft long-term strategic approach for mainstreaming, particularly on the contributions of Indigenous Peoples and local communities, women and youth as well as on human rights safeguards. For example, traditional knowledge is not adequately reflected in Headline Action 5 and its proposed activities.

Despite this, we see mainstreaming as a relevant aspect in the implementation of the KMGBF, and generally welcome the recommendations in document SBI/4/13 as part of a range of mainstreaming actions, in particular, para 2 on taking into account contributions from all actors and para 4d on capacity-building on mainstreaming.

In addition to these, we recommend case studies of the Local Biodiversity Outlooks as part of the sources of information in monitoring and analysing progress in mainstreaming biodiversity and indigenous peoples and local communities' contributions in the implementation of the KMGBF.

We therefore propose to add at the end of para 3 “**AND THROUGH OTHERS SUCH AS CASE STUDIES FROM THE LOCAL BIODIVERSITY OUTLOOKS**”

Moreover, any implementation support mechanism on mainstreaming, whether the Long-term Approach Mainstreaming (LTAM) or another, needs to prioritize actions and contributions of Indigenous Peoples and local communities, women and youth. It should also emphasize the role of governments as the primary actors to regulate and monitor the private sector and in



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incentivizing whole of society towards sustainable consumption and any mechanism to guide mainstreaming should make this clear and avoid placing undue emphasis on the financial and economic sectors to promote sustainable practices.

Thank you Chair.

Text suggestion:

3. Invites Parties, as well as relevant organisations, initiatives and stakeholders, to provide relevant information, including on good practices, innovations, challenges and lessons learned with regard to biodiversity mainstreaming, through their seventh national reports, in line with decision 15/6; **AND THROUGH OTHERS SUCH AS CASE STUDIES FROM THE LOCAL BIODIVERSITY OUTLOOKS.**