Guatemalan intervention at Panel on Goal B

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Thank you mister chair, In Guatemala we have The Mayan Biosphere Reserve, is the most important forest reserve at the North of Amazon and with some forest of Mexico and some forest of Belize; the reserve in the 3 countries is called SELVA MAYA.

In Guatemala it have all most the 20% of all Land no the Country, but it have Big present challenges like cattle ranching associate with some Big ilicit activities in our region, are the reason of 85% of change of use no the forest land. This is a result of strong monitoring activities and the incipient start of law enforcement efforts.

As a question, how the amazon region is managing the current challenges and futuro challenges; and what are those?

As a statement, in Guatemala we think that the Biosphere reserves need a special treatment because the strategic importance for the humanity. Is good idea make an effort to build a Network of those kind of reserves to share strategic information to manage the challenges of its.

Thank you again mister chair.

Cordialmente,

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