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NOTIFICATION

Request for Additional Information on the Implementation of Climate Regulation and Carbon Sequestration Components of the Agricultural Biodiversity Programme of Work

Dear Sir/Madam,

Recommendation XII/5 of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice requests the Executive Secretary, when preparing the in-depth review on the programme of work on agricultural biodiversity, to conduct an analysis of (i) the extent to which climate change impacts and response activities are included in the current programme of work, (ii) the current state of implementation of climate change impacts and response activities, and (iii) the identification of gaps in implementation including a review of barriers and suggestions to overcome them.

An initial review of the third national reports submitted to the Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD) revealed that only four Parties¹ have provided information on climate regulation and carbon sequestration as ecological services provided by agricultural biodiversity as recognized in the appendix to decision V/5, review of phase I of the programme of work and adoption of a multi-year work programme.

In order to best respond to the request issued by SBSTTA, Parties that have not yet submitted relevant information through their third national reports are requested to provide additional information on activities towards the identification, monitoring and preservation of the climate regulation and carbon sequestration ecological services provided by agricultural biodiversity based on the questions provided in Annex 1. Submissions from Parties are requested no later than **Friday, 14 September 2007**.

Please accept, Sir/Madam, the assurances of my highest consideration.

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Executive Secretary

¹ Argentina, Canada, Kazakhstan, Uganda

To: CBD National Focal Points and SBSTTA Focal Points



Annex 1

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Question	Response
<p>Please identify activities, projects and programmes implemented in your country towards the identification, monitoring and preservation of the climate regulation and carbon sequestration ecological services provided by agricultural biodiversity</p>	
<p>Please identify gaps and barriers preventing the enhanced implementation of activities towards the identification, monitoring and preservation of the climate regulation and carbon sequestration ecological services provided by agricultural biodiversity</p>	
<p>Please describe any experiences and lessons learned from addressing gaps and barriers to the implementation of activities towards the identification, monitoring and preservation of the climate regulation and carbon sequestration ecological services provided by agricultural biodiversity</p>	