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The International Indigenous Forum on Biodiversity (IIFB) welcomes document SBSTTA/21/6 providing details about the preparation of the Fifth Edition of the *Global Biodiversity Outlook*. IIFB considers that a Second Edition of *Local Biodiversity Outlooks* (LBO2), as a complementary product, and as called for by COP Decision XII/29, will greatly enhance the contents and communication values of GBO5.

The first edition of Local Biodiversity Outlooks when launched at COP13 in Cancun, Mexico received a warm welcome from all delegates to the meeting. It has since become an important resource, including as an input to the on-going IPBES Global Assessment, with it commitment to the inclusion of indigenous and local knowledge, as integral to the wholeness of the report.

LBO has inspired members of the IIFB to further document their collective actions, traditional knowledge and customary sustainable use practices to enrich already existing information, whilst indigenous peoples and local communities participating in other global processes on Sustainable Development and Climate Change see the document as an example to build upon in producing similar reports.

Data and information generated from community-based mapping and monitoring can also contribute significantly to national monitoring and reporting efforts, including critical local spatial information regarding key biodiversity areas, the importance of which was highlighted in the workshop on the use of spatial information in the 6th national reports.

Financial resources, as outlined in the background document, will be needed to produce a second edition of Local Biodiversity Outlooks. Members of the IIFB from different regions, have come forward to collaborate on this publication and associated online resources, including the formation of an advisory group.

We highly value this partnership between the CBD and the IIFB, together with the Forest Peoples Programme as a major collaboration towards highlighting the important contributions of IPLCs towards fulfilling the goals of the Convention.

We recommend to Parties and seek support that this be reflected in the draft decision to read as follows:



The Conference of Parties:

5. Invites Parties, other governments and relevant organisation in a position to do so to provide timely financial contributions, for the preparation and production of the fifth edition of the Global Biodiversity Outlook and its related products, *including the second edition of Local Biodiversity Outlooks*, in line with the work plan and budget estimates for its preparations.