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Specialized international Access and Benefit-Sharing instruments in the context of Article 4, paragraph 4 of the Nagoya Protocol

We welcome the comprehensive work done to compile document and CBD/SBI/2/6 and CBD/SBI/2/INF/17

IIFB recognizes that access and benefit-sharing instruments are very important in the implementation of the Nagoya Protocol. The Compilation we are discussing today recognized that issues like Traditional Knowledge which impacts on the IPLC and therefore a need to strategies on involvement of IPLCs. Financial support to continue training and awareness on the Nagoya Protocol should be a continuous process and new emerging issues are experienced all the time.

We thank the efforts done but this is not enough. We have Japan for their continuous contribution to the Japan fund that has facilitated the Secretariat to organize Capacity training workshop that include the training on Nagoya Protocol for Indigenous Peoples and Local communities. These trainings have also invited the Government focal points for CBD Article 8j. In different regions there has been both regional and international organization who have been building capacity for both IPLCs and the different focal points on the Nagoya protocol. There has been reflection that it is still a challenge to work or understand how to handle Traditional knowledge in different articles of the Protocol, it is important that that Parties to the protocol also refer to the many instruments the CBD article 8j team and IPLCs have developed for years that could help to understand many aspects of traditional knowledge.

Paragraph 16:

“Although traditional knowledge is not mentioned in Article 1 of the Protocol, it is a key component of the regime created by the Protocol. As the object and purpose of a treaty are also to be deduced from its preamble and other programmatic articles, attention should be drawn to several substantive provisions of the Protocol that are wholly or significantly devoted to traditional knowledge associated with genetic resources, as well as to several references to traditional knowledge in the preamble, including its importance for the conservation and sustainable use of biodiversity.”

We appreciate the suggested elements of draft recommendation but have a few additional suggestions:



Suggested elements of a draft recommendation

- 40 (h) Request the Executive Secretary to invite the secretariats of other relevant intergovernmental organizations to form a liaison group on access and benefit-sharing to facilitate and enhance information exchange and coordination – ***the group should include experts from IPLCs***
- 40 (i) Encourage Parties and other Governments ***to liaise with IPLCs and other stakeholder*** to coordinate at the national level regarding access and benefit-sharing issues addressed in different international forums in order to support a coherent international regime on access and benefit-sharing;
- 40 (j) Encourage Parties and other Governments which are or may become Parties to the Nagoya Protocol and to a specialized international access and benefit-sharing instrument to ***work closely with IPLCs, women, donors and other partners to*** take steps to implement both instruments in a mutually supportive manner.