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Agenda item 7: Capacity building, scientific and technical cooperation, technology transfer, knowledge management and communication

Statement of the International Indigenous Forum on Biodiversity (IIFB) and the Indigenous Women Network on Biodiversity from Latin America and the Caribbean, RMIB-LAC

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Thank you, Madame Chair,

I am speaking on behalf of the International Indigenous Forum on Biodiversity and the RMIB-LAC. We thank the Secretariat for the preparation of the various documents for agenda item 7.

We would like to keep our statement submitted last March and highlight the following comments:

On capacity building:

We would like to reiterate the importance of the full and effective participation of IPLCs, women and youth in capacity-building. We remind the commitments to integrate the views and interests of IPLCs, through education and participation in decision-making and development of policy and procedures and to link capacity-building in terms of education to the IPBES mandate on working with traditional knowledge and other "knowledge systems"

On technical and scientific cooperation and technology transfer:

We note the recognition of indigenous and traditional technologies in the proposals to strengthen technical and scientific cooperation and technology transfer, and emphasize that such activities and processes, including the operationalization of the functions of the global support centre for technical and scientific cooperation should be done with the FPIC of Indigenous Peoples.

Madame Chair,

We have specific text proposals for the Annex on Draft Recommendations; however due to the short time that I have, I will read only few of them:

25. *Decides* to establish an Informal Advisory Group on Technical and Scientific Cooperation **with experts from IPLCS and relevant organizations** to provide strategic advice on practical measures, tools and opportunities to promote and facilitate technical and scientific cooperation in accordance with the terms of reference contained in annex III below;

26. *Also decides*, in the light of the advantages, disadvantages and costs presented in document CBD/SBI/3/INF/16, to pursue a hybrid of options A and B of the institutional mechanisms to promote and facilitate technical and scientific cooperation proposed in section V of the note by the Executive Secretary, whereby a global technical and scientific cooperation support centre would work together with a network of regional support centres, other relevant organizations **and IPLCs**;

28-f. (iii) Facilitate access to and utilization of available scientific knowledge, information and data, as well as indigenous and traditional knowledge, subject to **free**, prior **and** informed consent;

32.(a) To further promote and facilitate technical and scientific cooperation in support of the post-2020 global biodiversity framework, in collaboration with relevant partners, including the global support centre and regional support centres, other organizations **and IPLCs**;

We already submitted to the CBD Secretariat our text proposals for the Section A for paragraphs 2, 8, 11,13, 14 and 17 and for the section B for paragraphs 22, 25, 26, 28 f (ii) and (iii) and 32.a.

We thank in advance the Parties' support to our text proposals.

Thank you, Madame Chair for this opportunity.

V. ELEMENTS OF A DRAFT RECOMMENDATION

A. Capacity development:

8. *Invites* the secretariats of biodiversity-related conventions, in collaboration with governments, **IPLCs and** relevant organizations and stakeholders, to prepare, immediately following the adoption of the post-2020 global biodiversity framework, thematic capacity development action plans for specific 2030 targets or groups of related targets, and to develop dedicated global, regional and subregional programmes to implement those thematic plans, in line with the long-term strategic framework;

11. *Invites* Parties, other Governments and relevant organizations to allocate additional financial resources to support biodiversity capacity development, taking into account the priority needs identified in national biodiversity strategies and action plans and/or national capacity development strategies **including IPLCs needs and challenges**;

13. *Invites* universities and other academic institutions to **develop and** integrate into their curricula new specialized and transdisciplinary academic courses and programmes ~~and/or~~ **expand** and strengthen existing ones, generate and share new knowledge, and implement continuing education programmes to support the post-2020 global biodiversity framework; **with full and effective participation of IPLCs**;

14. *Invites* relevant organizations and regional and subregional bodies, including regional economic integration organizations, **to promote sharing of expertise and information**, to establish or, as appropriate, strengthen existing regional and subregional support networks to provide, upon request, assistance to enable national and subnational government institutions, local authorities, non-government actors, **and IPLCs** within the respective regions or subregions to strengthen their capacities, while also mobilizing and fostering effective use and retention of the capacities developed;

17. *Also invites* United Nations Resident Coordinators and the United Nations country teams, **in consultation with the United Nations Inter Agency Group for Indigenous Peoples and other relevant United Nations agencies**, to integrate biodiversity capacity development into country-level United Nations sustainable development cooperation frameworks to support national implementation of the post-2020 global biodiversity framework and the Sustainable Development Goals;

B. Technical and scientific cooperation

22. *Urges* Parties and other Governments to put in place enabling environments (including relevant policies, laws and incentives) to promote and facilitate technical and scientific cooperation, joint research, and joint ventures for the development of appropriate biodiversity-related technologies and innovative solutions, **ensuring full and effective participation of IPLCs, women and youth**;

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27. *Invites* the United Nations Environment Programme to establish, in collaboration with relevant organizations, **IPLCs**, the Global Technical And Scientific Cooperation Support Centre for Biodiversity to catalyse, facilitate and enhance technical and scientific cooperation and technology transfer, **ensuring equitable geographic coverage** to support achievement of the goals and targets of the post-2020 global biodiversity framework and of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development,⁴⁹ drawing on the lessons learned from, and maximizing synergies with, the Climate Technology Centre and Network;

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(f) To catalyse and support the development, implementation, monitoring and evaluation of technical and scientific cooperation projects and programmes that:

(ii) Facilitate the development, transfer and diffusion of technologies, and innovative local solutions, through scalable initiatives, **including those of IPLCs with free, prior and informed consent**;

(iii) Facilitate access to and utilization of available scientific knowledge, information and data, as well as indigenous and traditional knowledge, subject to **free, prior and informed consent**;

(h) To facilitate knowledge sharing and organizational learning **through appropriate tools, means and methodologies**;

32. *Requests* the Executive Secretary, subject to the availability of resources:

(a) To further promote and facilitate technical and scientific cooperation in support of the post-2020 global biodiversity framework, in collaboration with relevant partners, including the global support centre and regional support centres, other organizations **and IPLCs**;

(d) To organize, in collaboration with partners, **and IPLCs**, biodiversity science forums, technology and innovation expos, round tables and other events to showcase cooperation initiatives, technologies and opportunities;

We thank in advance the Parties' support to our text proposals.
Thank you, Madame Chair for this opportunity.