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Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries

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To whom it may concern about Views and Proposals on the International Arrangement on
Forests (IAF) in United Nations Forum on Forests Secretariat,
CC: Mr. Hossein Moeini Meybodi, Secretariat of UNFF
Ms. Tinda Sam, Secretariat of UNFF

Dear Sir/Madam,

Japan welcomes the opportunity to submit our Views and Proposals on IAF to
UNFF Secretariat attached herewith as requested.

With best regards,

Yours sincerely,



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**UNFF Intersessional Activities on the International Arrangement on Forests
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United Nations Forum on Forests Secretariat
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1. According to the multi-year programme of work adopted in 2007, the overall theme of the eleventh session of the United Nations Forum on Forests (UNFF11) in 2015 will be “Forests: progress, challenges and the way forward for the international arrangement on forests (IAF).” At this session, the Forum will review the effectiveness of the IAF and decide on its future.¹

2. In preparation for UNFF11 in 2015, the Forum has made a number of decisions during the last fourteen years.² Most recently, Member States through Resolution 10/2 of UNFF10 decided to undertake several intersessional

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B.2 Please describe the UNFF's performance and list its key achievements in implementing its principal functions, as stated in ECOSOC resolutions 2000/35 and 2006/494: &BMNFBML MD 3MLIJCE?JWV@G.BG.E G.CPFSK CLRML ?JRWVWQMDMPCORQ?LB FFC 2 SJRG=C?P5FMEP?K K CMD< MFI

B.3 Please provide your view on the future options for the UNFF: &Q?LQJ CFCB G. &A. CCARML~: 3++ CFMSJB NJ?W? FVVC?Q? NJ?RDMFK RVIG.RCPD?AC T?FGMSQG.RCPL?RML?J DP?K CU MFI QML DMPCOROSAF ?Q (MJP?@MP?RFC 5?FRL CFCF ON ML +MPCOR^(5+ G.AISBG.E .994 ?LB +&4~ ?LB (~. NFMACOD RFVMSF G.FMBSAG.E ?LB CF?PGE G.DMK ?RML ML NFMICARD CK NUCK CLRFB ?LB MSRANK CO NFMBSACB RVCK NFMTC?AACODRVIG.DMK ?RML ?LB ESLBGE DMP K CK @CPANSLRFGO?LB DPAGCRFC LCRU MFI G.E C?AF MFCP?OU CUJ?QRM?ARF?RC FCG?ARF GGGQ+SFFCP: 3++ PCNMFRGE @?COB ML 31'. CFMSJB @C QPC?K JG.CB RMPCBSAC ANSLRW@SFBCL MDPCNMFRGE @VSOGE (+76 UFGAF G BCTCJMNCB @WAMJ?@MP?RML MD' (~. NFMACOD?LB +&4~ GCGF GEF JMFCAVK K CLBCB/

B.4 Please describe the potential roles for UNFF in implementing the UN post-2015 development agenda and the SDGs: : 3++ CFMSJB NFMTCB FFC NJ?RDMFK DMP T?FGMSQ.DMPCORFCJ?RFB MFE?LGX?RMLQ.CSAF ?Q (5+ K CK @CP MFE?LGX?RMLQ ?LB (~. NFMACODD RM BGASOD ML FFC : 3 NIMRi file! BCTCJMNK CLR?ECLB? ?LB FFC LQJ 8), Q: 3++ GCVNCAFCB RMDMK FFC AMLOMKB?RFB MNG.GMLO ?K MLE FCK ?LB RVIG.NSRFFC MNG.GMLO?NFMVMP?RJMVMFFC: 3 NIMRi file! ?ECLB? ?LB 8), Q @?COB ML FFC BGASODML/.L ?BBGML~: 3++ CFMSJB @C PCNMLO@JC DMP FCGP DMJMU I SNV

B.5 Please describe the role and impact of Country-Led Initiatives and ad hoc expert groups in the work of the UNFF: 2 CK @CPANSLRFGO G.AISBG.E /?N?L MFE?LGXCB K ?LW?ARF GGGORMAMLRFC@SRC RM: 3++ BGASODMLQ?LB PCOMSRMLQ FMU CTCPAVK NJCV ?LB @SPC?SAP?RA NFMACBSPCORVPCGCRP FCK ?Q: 3++ (MSLRVWJCB GGGPRFC "(1." CFMSJB @C G NFMTCB LMR RM BCAPC?OC ANSLRFGO K MFE?RML/ < C PCAMELGX F?R?B FMA CVNCPREPMSNO *&- *, " BGASODCB LCACOPVWFFCK CO PCOSCORCB DMP C?AF : 3++ PCOMSRML ?LB NFMBSACB DPGGUSJ MSRANK CO G. C?AF OOOOML~ K C?LUFGC GCG TPCVQMPVWF?RFFC MSRANK CO MD&- *, QOOCK LMR RM@C R?I CL G.RM?AANSLR NFMVCPMBSPGE : 3++ OOOOMLQ

B.6 Please indicate how effective you consider the engagement of major groups in the work of the UNFF and provide suggestions on their further engagement: 3MANK K CLR

B.7 Please explain the role and impact of the International Year of Forests and the International Day of Forests in promoting greater awareness and strengthening political and public commitment for forests: +MP FFC.LRPL?RML?J=C?PMD+MPCORQ".=+~?/N?L FMORCB FFC I GAI MDCTCLRMD.=+ UGF ?RCLB?LAC MD) GFCARMP MD: 3++ 8CAPCR?PGR G. .GFG?U? NPOCARSP/ < C ?JOMFCJB T?FGMSQ NS@JAGRM A?K N?GELQ RFVMSF LCU QN?NCPQ 9; NFMV?K Q DMPK Q DGCB CTCLRQ ?LB QM ML RMP?GG ?U?PCLCOQMDNOMNUC DMP NFMK MRE K C?OSPCOML +MPCOR?LB +MPCORVW7CTGRJG?RML G. /?N?L ?LB 8+2 UMRBU BC G. AMJ?@MP?RML UGF NFG?RC QCARMP?OU CUJ?QFFC 3?RML?J 2 MCK CLRML

4 Please see these documents at:
 - http://www.un.org/esa/forests/pdf/2000_35_E.pdf
 - http://www.un.org/esa/forests/pdf/iaf/2006_49_E.pdf

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Section C: The Non-Legally Binding Instrument on All Types of Forests (

C.6 Please describe how the forest instrument and the GOFs can contribute to the post-2015 UN development agenda and the Sustainable Development Goals: 7C?JXGE 8+2 @VCK NJCK CLRGE FFC DMPOR G. QPSK CLR G K NMP?LR CONCAQJWGE ?AANK NJGFGLE FFC , 4+1 °PCG DMPACK CLR MD CAMLNK GAFIOMAGJFICLTGMLK CLR?J @CLCDBO?PCGE DPMK DMPOR/. L FCGPCE?PB~ FFC NMPCLR?J MD FFC AMLFG@SRML MDDMPORCFMSJB @CG NSRFOB RM@CAMLQBPCB G. FFC BGCASCOOMLQJ?BGE SN RM NMPOR† FILE! BCTCJMNK CLR?ECLB? ?LB 8) , Q

Section D: The Forum's Secretariat

D.1 Please indicate if you consider the structure, human and financial resources of the compact Secretariat of the UNFF adequate to fulfill its mandates:

- Adequate
- Inadequate
- Not sure

Additional explanation:

E.2 Please describe how the CPF and its member organizations can further contribute to the work of the UNFF, and how to ensure availability of necessary resources for its activities in support of the work of the Forum: . L R F C D G G

Section F: Financing options and strategies

F.1 Please provide views on financing options and strategies, including the creation of a voluntary Global Forest Fund, to generate resources from all sources for sustainable management of all types of forests and trees outside forests: 8CTCP?JK CAF?L G K Q F ? R A M L R P @ S R C R M B + 2 O S A F ? Q . 9 9 4 ~ + (5 + ~ : 3 1 7 *)) ? L B , * + ~ ? P C ? J P C ? B W C V G R C B / . D ? , J M @ ? J + M P C C R + S L B U ? Q C C R ? @ J G F C B ~ A M L R P @ S R M L R M F F C + S L B U M S J B A ? S O C P O B S A R M L M D R F C A S P P C L R 4) & @ S B E C R G L D M P C C R P M 9 F G R F C P C D M F C J C ? B O R M I P ? E K C L R ? R M L M D R F C D E ? L A G ? J P C C N S P A C Q ? L B B S N U G A ? R M L M D ? A R T G R A V M F F ? R C R C G L C D D A C L R . 9 9 4 U F A F G D P A G L E F F C N P M @ J C K M D R F C B C A P C ? C C G L F C T M S L R ? P A M L R P @ S R M L P C A C C C B C K S J R ? L O N S O M N P M I C A R O ? L B ? A R T G R C O R M @ C K N U C K C L R C B G L F F C P C A C L R V C ? P Q ' C D M F C A M L C O B C P G L E , + + ~ U C L C O B R M ? L ? M X C A ? S O C C O M D R F G . 9 9 4 D E ? L A G ? J N P M @ J C K O D D P O R ? L B D E B ? L C U K C R F M B M D ? B K G C R P ? R M L U F A F A M S J B ? R P ? A R L C U B M L M P O G L A S B G L E N P G ? R C C A R M P 9 M F F G C L B ~ G R C C O O C L R ? J D M P 8 + 2 C K N U C K C L R ? R M L ? E C L A W G C . 9 9 4 R V N P C O O L R F F C C K N ? A R M D G O P O C S J R M D ? A R T G R C O ? L B N P M I C A R O R M F F C B M L M P C R P ? G E F R M P U ? P B J M . R G ? J O V K N M P R ? L R D M P , * + R V A M L R G L S C O S N N M P R G L E G L D M P C C R P W O C A R M P

F.2 Please suggest concrete steps that UNFF, CPF members and other organizations should undertake to develop forest financing options: & Q C R ? P C B G L + A ~ G R G T C P W C K N M P R ? L R F F ? R (5 + K C K @ C P M P E ? L G ? R M L O U F A F F ? T C K C ? L Q M D C K N U C K C L R ? R M L D M P 8 + 2 U G R D E ? L A G ? J K C A F ? L G K Q C C R ? @ J G F ? L B C K N U C K C L R C R P ? R C E G O D M P D S L B P ? G G L E / 9 F C P M C R F ? R : 3 + + C F M S J B N U ? W G L D E ? L A C D M P 8 + 2 G B C C A P C @ C B G L ' / Z ~ (A ? L B (/ Z /