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Excellency,

In reference to your letter dated 27 September 2016, inviting the United Nations Forum on Forests (UNFF) to provide its substantive input to the 2017 meeting of the United Nations High-level Political Forum on Sustainable Development (HLFP), it's my pleasure to enclose herewith the UNFF's input to the 2017 HLPF.

This input was finalized by the Bureau of the Twelfth Session of the UNFF (UNFF12) based on the discussions held during UNFF12 (1-5 May 2017). During this meeting, four Panel sessions were organized to consider: the contribution of forests to Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) 1; the contribution of forests to SDG 2; forests and SDG 5; and means of implementation for sustainable forest management (SDG 17). The input uses the template suggested in the aforementioned letter to highlight key issues identified during Panel discussions.

Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.



Sincerely,

Peter Besseau
UNFF12 Chair

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