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Excellency,

I have the honour to refer to your communications to the Chairs of a number of FAO Governing and Statutory Bodies established under the Constitution of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) seeking inputs to the 2022 High-level Political Forum on Sustainable Development (HLPF) with the theme: "Building back better from the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) while advancing the full implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development".

In particular, these bodies include: the FAO Council, FAO Technical Committees on Agriculture (COAG), Commodity Problems (CCP), Fisheries (COFI), and Forestry (COFO), as well as two Statutory Bodies of the Organization, including, the Commission on Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture (CGRFA), the Codex Alimentarius Commission, a joint body established by the FAO Conference and the Assembly of the World Health Organization (WHO), and the International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture (ITPGRFA).

The attached inputs are accompanied by a brief summary of the key messages emanating from the contributions of the bodies. I trust that this information will assist the HLPF 2022 and provide negotiators and delegates with evidence and insights to identify coordinated and effective measures to accelerate progress across SDGs.

I take this opportunity to assure you, Excellency, that the Organization and its Members are fully committed to support the important work of the HLPF towards mobilizing actions to accelerate the achievement of the Agenda 2030.

Accept, Excellency, the assurance of my highest consideration.

Yours sincerely, Máximo Torero Chief Economist

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