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THE PERMANENT MISSION OF ECUADOR TO THE UNITED NATIONS presents its compliments to the United Nations Forum on Forests Secretariat in New York and has the honor to refer to your Note UNFF-17-HMM-L-382 dated 3 October 2017, encouraging Member States to announce their initial Voluntary National Contributions towards achieving one or more global forests goals and targets of the UNSPF.

THE PERMANENT MISSION OF ECUADOR TO THE UNITED NATIONS, in this regard, wishes to forward the following VNC from Ecuador:

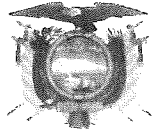
*On Global forest goal 1: Reverse the loss of forest cover worldwide through sustainable forest management, including protection, restoration, afforestation and reforestation, and increase efforts to prevent forest degradation and contribute to the global effort of addressing climate change,*

Specifically in the fulfillment of the goals detailed below:

a) 1.2. *The world's forest carbon stocks are maintained or enhanced.*

- With the implementation of the REDD + Action Plan "Forests for Good Living", Ecuador seeks to reduce gross emissions by at least 20% by 2025, from the Forest Emissions Reference Level for Deforestation 2000-2008 (43'418,126 tons CO<sub>2</sub>) eq / year), taking into account REDD + policies, measures and actions focused on reducing deforestation.





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*b) 1.3. By 2020, promote the implementation of sustainable management of all types of forests, halt deforestation, restore degraded forests and substantially increase afforestation and reforestation globally.*

- Ecuador is at the design and structuring phase of its National Forestry Management Plan, which seeks to determine the strategic lines for forest management of all types of forests present in its continental territory;

- By 2030, Ecuador has envisioned a goal of zero net deforestation at the national level.

THE PERMANENT MISSION OF ECUADOR TO THE UNITED NATIONS avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the United Nations Forum on Forests Secretariat in New York the assurances of its highest consideration.



New York, 27 November 2017

To the  
United Nations Forum on Forests Secretariat  
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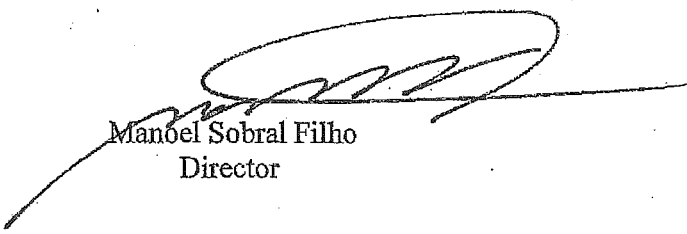
Excellency,

I wish to refer to the attached Note Verbale DESA-17/01121 dated 19 June 2017 which was sent to all Permanent Missions in New York and would like to remind of the deadline of 30 November 2017 for submitting inputs on matters referred to in section 3 and 4 of the attached Note Verbale.

I would also like to refer to section 2 of the attached Note Verbale, in which, Member States are encouraged to announce their initial Voluntary National Contributions (VNCs) towards achieving one or more global forest goals and targets of the United Nations Strategic Plan for Forests.

In light of the above, it would be greatly appreciated if necessary actions could be undertaken to ensure timely submission of the inputs to the Secretariat of the United Nations Forum on Forests.

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

  
Manoel Sobral Filho  
Director

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