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The Permanent Mission of Ukraine to the United Nations presents its compliments to the Secretariat of the United Nations Forum on Forests (UNFF) and has the honor to enclose herewith the communication by the State Forest Resources Agency of Ukraine on voluntary national contributions in the framework of implementation of the United Nations Strategic Plan for Forests for the period 2017-2030.

The Permanent Mission of Ukraine to the United Nations avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Secretariat of the United Nations Forum on Forests the assurances of its highest consideration.

Enclosure: as stated.



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The Secretariat of the United Nations Forum on Forests
New York

**Communication by the State Forest Resources Agency of Ukraine
on voluntary national contributions in the framework of implementation of
the United Nations Strategic Plan for Forests for the period 2017-2030**

In pursuance of the United Nations Strategic Plan for Forests for the Period 2017-2030 please, be hereby informed that:

1. Ukraine fully supports the concept of sustainable forest management and the importance of achieving the global goals and targets for forests outlined in the Strategic Plan.

2. On 21 November 2017, the President of Ukraine signed a Decree № 381 "On additional measures for the development of forestry, rational use of nature and conservation of objects of the nature reserve fund." In accordance with this Decree, in order to improve sustainable forest management, among other things, it is foreseen:

- to conduct the National Forest Inventory of Ukraine taking into account the best world practice;
- to improve the system of forestry financing and development by creating a state financial fund for forestry development;
- to elaborate and approve the state program of forestry development "Forests of Ukraine - 2030";
- to establish by the central state authority, which is in charge of the state policy in the field of forestry, a unified state system of electronic timber tracking, including confirmation of the origin of wood, which would take into account the relevant European norms and standards.

The implementation of these measures will contribute to the achievement of the Global forest goal 4, targets 4.1, 4.2 and 4.5, Global forest goal 5, targets 5.2 and 5.3.

3. To achieve the targets 15.1 and 15.2 of the Sustainable Development Goal 15 "Life on Land" it is foreseen:

- to increase the country's forest cover to 16.3%;
- to increase the percentage of different types of nature protected heritage in forests to 18%.

The implementation of these measures will contribute to the implementation of the Global forest goal 1, targets 1.1 and 1.3, Global forest goal 3, target 3.1.

4. In pursuance of the Order of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine dated December 6, 2012 No. 878, it is planned to develop and approve the medium-term action plan for the adaptation of forestry of Ukraine to climate change.

The implementation of this measure will contribute to the achievement of the Global forest goal 1, target 1.4.