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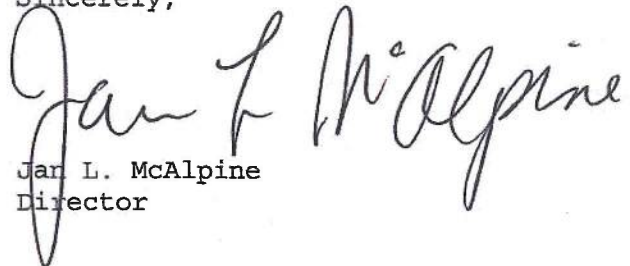
Excellency,

In reference to letter UNFF-13-L-HMM-207, dated 27 June 2013, a deadline for nominations of consultants to carry out an independent assessment of the International Arrangement on Forests (IAF) was 9 August 2013. However, we are pleased to inform you that the UNFF11 Bureau has agreed to extend the deadline through 31 August 2013. It should be noted that the consultants shall be recruited by the Secretariat within the UN rules and procedures and will be remunerated at UN rates for a total of 60 working days.

I wish to refer to the letter sent on 27 June 2013 by Ambassador Macharia Kamau, Chair of the UNFF11 Bureau, which, among other items, invited Member States to propose the most qualified consultants from each region to carry out an independent assessment on the International Arrangement on Forests. The Chairman's letter and Terms of Reference can be found on the UNFF website at <http://www.un.org/esa/forests/iaf-assessment.html>, and the Terms of Reference are attached for easy reference.

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

Sincerely,



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Director

To: All Permanent Missions to  
the United Nations in New York

Cc: Chairman of the G77 and China,  
EU Presidency, JUSCANZ and Eastern  
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