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**INTERNATIONAL TREATY ON PLANT GENETIC RESOURCES
FOR FOOD AND AGRICULTURE**

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**COMPILATION OF COMMENTS ON AND SUGGESTED TEXT FOR THE
DRAFT FUNDING STRATEGY**

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I. INTRODUCTION

1. The *Open-ended Working Group on the Rules of Procedure and Financial Rules of the Governing Body, Compliance, and the Funding Strategy*, which met in Rome, Italy, from 14 to 17 December 2005, reviewed and revised a draft Resolution on the Funding Strategy, to which the draft Funding Strategy is annexed, and recommended that they be submitted to the Governing Body for consideration at its first session. This is contained in the document *Draft Funding Strategy of the International Treaty*.¹
2. The Open-ended Working Group agreed that further views on, and suggested text for, the Funding Strategy could be submitted, and requested the Interim Secretariat to compile such views and suggested text, for consideration as a background document by the first session of the Governing Body.
3. On 27 January 2006, a Circular State Letter was issued, inviting countries to submit further views on the Funding Strategy of the Treaty to the Secretariat (*Appendix*). At the time of preparing this document, submissions had been received from Algeria, Argentina, Australia, Burkina Faso, Egypt, Ethiopia, the European Union, Guinea, Honduras, Indonesia, Lithuania, Madagascar, Morocco, Nepal, Pakistan, Panama, Peru, Syria, Uruguay and Zambia. They were posted on the Commission's website, at <http://www.fao.org/ag/cgrfa/compfs.htm>. Submissions received after the preparation of this document are also posted on the Commission's website.

II. COMPILATION OF FURTHER SUBMISSIONS

4. These further views have been compiled in the tables below.² A number of countries made more general comments. These have not been incorporated in the tables. New text or modification to the document *Draft Funding Strategy of the International Treaty*³ as proposed by countries, or where they have indicated preference(s) from available options, has been reflected in the tables. This is presented in *italics* with the modifications to current text reflected in ***bold italics***.
5. The Governing Body is invited to take these submissions into account, as appropriate, in considering the draft Resolution the Funding Strategy.

¹ IT/GB-1/06/5.

² The methodology followed draws from the document *Draft Funding Strategy of the International Treaty*. It should be noted that the presentation of submissions in this way is not intended in any way to interpret them, but merely to list them systematically.

³ IT/GB-1/06/5.

A. GENERAL VIEWS EXPRESSED ON THE FUNDING STRATEGY

Party	Views and Comments
Burkina Faso	<p>It is imperative to clarify the following points:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) How to gather and use the resources of the Treaty 2) Should the rules governing the financial administration of the Treaty be harmonized with those of FAO? 3) What will be the contribution strategies of the contracting and/or non-contracting countries (both the developed countries and the developing or transition countries)?
European Union	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A transparent and efficient Funding Strategy will promote contributions and will help with the preparation, implementation and monitoring of projects under the Funding Strategy. The EU proposes some particular activities for the development of the Funding Strategy, namely to request the Governing Body <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - to establish, in accordance with Article 19.3(f) IT an appropriate mechanism, such as a Trust Account, for receiving and utilizing financial resources which accrue to it for purposes of implementing the Treaty - to request the Secretariat to consider and prepare adequate financial rules for this account; - to request the Secretariat to provide to the Governing Body a review of practices and procedures of other conventions with similar trust accounts and project activities in order to gather useful options for such financial rules for the management of the Trust Account; - to request the Secretariat to evaluate the financial implications of proposed financial rules for the management of the Trust Account including their impact on the administrative budget and the funds allocated to the Trust Account; - to periodically review the Funding Strategy (see Art. 19.3(c) IT) in accordance with the provisions of Art. 18 IT and to request the Secretariat to provide to each meeting of the Governing Body a report on activities under the Funding Strategy; - to request Contracting Parties to take the necessary and appropriate measures within the governing bodies of relevant international mechanisms, funds and bodies to ensure due priority and attention to the effective allocation of predictable and agreed resources for the implementation of plans and programmes under the Treaty (Art. 18.4(a) IT) and to invite Non-Contracting Parties to do so as well.

B. VIEWS AND PROPOSALS ON THE DRAFT RESOLUTION FOR THE CONSIDERATION OF THE GOVERNING BODY (FUNDING STRATEGY)

Recitals	Party	Views and Proposals (proposed Text in <i>italics</i>)
9	Algeria	<i>Noting that the Global Crop Diversity Trust is an important supporting component in the implementation of the Funding Strategy in relation to the ex situ conservation of plant genetic resources for food and agriculture;</i>
	Argentina	<i>Noting that the Global Crop Diversity Trust is an important supporting component in the implementation of the Funding Strategy in relation to the ex situ conservation of plant genetic resources for food and agriculture;</i>

	Australia	<i>Noting that the Global Crop Diversity Trust is an essential element of the Funding Strategy in relation to the ex situ conservation of plant genetic resources for food and agriculture;</i>
	Guinea	<i>Noting that the Global Crop Diversity Trust is an essential element of the Funding Strategy ...</i>
	Indonesia	<i>Noting that the Global Crop Diversity Trust is an important supporting component in the implementation of the Funding Strategy in relation to the ex situ conservation of plant genetic resources for food and agriculture;</i>
	Madagascar	<i>Noting that the Global Crop Diversity Trust is an important supporting component in the implementation of the Funding Strategy in relation to the ex situ conservation of plant genetic resources for food and agriculture;</i>
	Morocco	<i>Noting that the Global Crop Diversity Trust is an important supporting component in the implementation of the Funding Strategy in relation to the ex situ conservation of plant genetic resources for food and agriculture;;</i>
	Nepal	<i>Noting that the Global Crop Diversity Trust is an important supporting component in the implementation of the Funding Strategy in relation to the ex situ conservation of plant genetic resources for food and agriculture;</i>
Recitals 11 & 12	Algeria	Keep
	Australia	Delete
	Indonesia	Keep
	Madagascar	11. Keep 12. <i>Noting the importance of taking into account the Global Plan of Action when establishing further priorities for the Funding Strategy and when establishing a target for funding, considering also the need for regular updating of the Global Plan of Action;.</i>
	Morocco	Keep
	Nepal	Keep
	Paragraph 1 bis	Algeria
Argentina		We suggest adding: " The Governing Body decides: " followed by the operative paragraphs. 1 bis. Keep
Australia		Delete
Guinea		Keep
Indonesia		Keep
Madagascar		Keep
Morocco		Delete
Nepal		Delete
Paragraph 2	Algeria	2. <i>Invites Contracting Parties to undertake, as appropriate, the following actions in support of the implementation of the Funding Strategy:</i> <i>a. Within the Governing Bodies of relevant international mechanisms, funds and bodies, such as the Convention on Biological Diversity, the Global</i>

		<p><i>Environment Facility (GEF), the World Bank, the regional development banks, the Global Crop Diversity Trust and the Common Fund on Commodities to take the necessary and appropriate measures to ensure due priority and attention to the effective allocation of predictable and agreed resources for the implementation of plans and programmes under the Treaty;</i>⁴</p> <p>b. keep;</p> <p>c. keep;</p> <p>e. keep;</p> <p>2bis. delete;</p> <p>2ter. delete;</p> <p>2quater. delete;</p> <p>2quinquies. delete;</p>
	Argentina	<p>2. <i>Invites Contracting Parties to undertake, as appropriate, the following actions in support of the implementation of the Funding Strategy:</i></p> <p>a. <i>Within the Governing Bodies of relevant international mechanisms, funds and bodies, such as the Global Environment Facility, the World Bank, the regional development banks, the Global Crop Diversity Trust and the Common Fund on Commodities [and any other relevant international mechanisms, funds and bodies; to take the necessary and appropriate measures to ensure due priority and attention to the effective allocation of predictable and agreed resources for the implementation of plans and programmes under the Treaty;</i></p>
	Australia	<p>2. <i>Invites Contracting Parties and other governments to undertake, as appropriate, the following actions in support of the implementation of the Funding Strategy:</i></p> <p>a) <i>to advise the Governing Body on the provision of funding that is consistent with the objectives and priorities of the Funding Strategy from sources within their country.</i></p> <p>b) <i>to use their membership of the Global Crop Diversity Trust, the Global Environment Facility, the World Bank, the regional development banks and other relevant international mechanisms, funds and bodies, to advocate the allocation of funding that is consistent with the objectives and priorities of the Funding Strategy.</i></p> <p>c) <i>to promote voluntary contributions from organisations within their country to fund the operations and objectives of the Treaty</i></p>
	Guinea	<p>2. <i>Invites Contracting Parties to undertake, as appropriate, the following actions in support of the implementation of the Funding Strategy:</i> (from a to e)</p>
	Indonesia	<p>2. <i>Invites Contracting Parties to undertake, as appropriate, the following actions in support of the implementation of the Funding Strategy:</i></p> <p>a. <i>Within the Governing Bodies of relevant international mechanisms, funds and bodies, such as the Convention on Biological Diversity, the Global Environment Facility, the World Bank, the regional development banks, the Global Crop Diversity Trust and the Common Fund on Commodities and any other relevant international mechanisms, funds and bodies; to take the necessary and appropriate</i></p>

⁴ Article 18.4a.

		<p>measures to ensure due priority and attention to the effective allocation of predictable and agreed resources for the implementation of plans and programmes under the Treaty;⁴</p> <p>b. Keep;</p> <p>c. Keep;</p> <p>e. Keep;</p> <p>2 bis Keep</p> <p>2 ter Keep</p> <p>2 quater Keep</p> <p>2 quinquies Keep</p>
	Madagascar	<p>2. Invites Contracting Parties to undertake, as appropriate, the following actions in support of the implementation of the Funding Strategy:</p> <p>a. Within the Governing Bodies of relevant international mechanisms, funds and bodies, such as the Convention on Biological Diversity, the Global Environment Facility, the World Bank, the regional development banks, the Global Crop Diversity Trust and the Common Fund on Commodities to take the necessary and appropriate measures to ensure due priority and attention to the effective allocation of predictable and agreed resources for the implementation of plans and programmes under the treaty⁵;</p> <p>b. keep;</p> <p>c. keep;</p> <p>e. keep;</p> <p>2bis. keep;</p> <p>2ter. keep;</p> <p>2quater. keep;</p> <p>2quinquies. keep;</p>
	Morocco	<p>2. Invites Contracting Parties to undertake, as appropriate the following actions in support of the implementation of the Funding Strategy:</p> <p>a. Within the Governing Bodies of relevant international mechanisms, funds and bodies, such as [the Convention on Biological Diversity, the Global Environment Facility, the World Bank, the regional development banks, the Global Crop Diversity Trust and the Common Fund on Commodities and any other relevant international mechanisms, funds and bodies; to take the necessary and appropriate measures to ensure due priority and attention to the effective allocation of predictable and agreed resources for the implementation of plans and programmes under the Treaty⁶;</p> <p>b. keep;</p> <p>c. keep;</p> <p>e. keep;</p> <p>2bis. delete;</p>

⁴ Article 18.4a.

⁵ Article 18.4a.

⁶ Article 18.4a.

		<p>2ter. delete;</p> <p>2quater. delete;</p> <p>2quinquies. delete;</p>
	Nepal	<p>2. Invites Contracting Parties to undertake, as appropriate, the following actions in support of the implementation of the Funding Strategy:</p> <p>a. <i>Within the Governing Bodies of relevant international mechanisms, funds and bodies, such as the Convention on Biological Diversity, the Global Environment Facility, the World Bank, the regional development banks, the Global Crop Diversity Trust and the Common Fund on Commodities and any other relevant international mechanisms, funds and bodies; to take the necessary and appropriate measures to ensure due priority and attention to the effective allocation of predictable and agreed resources for the implementation of plans and programmes under the Treaty;</i>⁴</p> <p>2bis. Delete</p> <p>2ter. Delete</p> <p>2quater. Delete</p> <p>2quinquies. Delete</p>
	Syria	<p>2 b. Keep</p> <p>2 quarter Keep</p> <p>2 quinquies Keep</p>
Paragraph 3	Algeria	<p>3. Invites the governing bodies of all relevant international mechanisms, funds and bodies to ensure due priority and attention to the effective allocation of predictable and agreed resources for the implementation of plans and programmes under the International Treaty through the Funding Strategy;</p>
	Australia	<p>3. Invites international bodies, mechanisms and funding facilities with mandates to support the objectives of the Treaty, including the Global Crop Diversity Trust, CGIAR, the Global Environment Facility, the World Bank and the regional development banks, to provide high priority support for the implementation of the Funding Strategy of the Treaty;</p>
	Indonesia	<p>3. Invites the governing bodies of all relevant international mechanisms, funds and bodies to ensure due priority and attention to the effective allocation of predictable and agreed resources for the implementation of plans and programmes under the International Treaty through the Funding Strategy;</p>
	Madagascar	<p>3. Invites the governing bodies of all relevant international mechanisms, funds and bodies to ensure due priority and attention to the effective allocation of predictable and agreed resources for the implementation of plans and programmes under the International Treaty through the Funding Strategy;</p>
	Morocco	<p>3. Invites the governing bodies of all relevant international mechanisms, funds and bodies to ensure due priority and attention to the effective allocation of predictable and agreed resources for the implementation of plans and programmes under the International Treaty through the Funding Strategy;</p>
Paragraph 4	Australia	<p>Add new</p> <p>4. Invites the governing bodies of all relevant international mechanisms, funds and bodies to provide information on their mandates, priorities, eligibility criteria and procedures relevant to the support of actions for the implementation of the Treaty;</p>

⁴ Article 18.4a.

Paragraph 5	Guinea	5. Encourages the Secretariat of the Treaty ...
Paragraph 6	Australia	6. Invites Contracting Parties, other governments , the private sector, non-governmental organizations, and all other interested parties to make voluntary contributions to the Funding Strategy;
Paragraph 7	Algeria	7. Delete 7bis Delete 7ter Decides to establish a permanent technical committee that will be composed of seven representatives of the Contracting Parties taking into consideration equitable geographical representation; and requests it to administer such a fund in line with the priorities, eligibility criteria and operational procedures as provided for in the provisional annexes of the Funding Strategy ; 7quater delete
	Argentina	7bis. Delete 7ter. Keep 7quater. Keep
	Australia	7. Invites Contracting Parties, other governments , relevant international mechanisms, funds and bodies, and providers of relevant services, to propose initiatives to address priorities established for the Funding Strategy; and to advise the Governing Body of plans and programmes for building capacity in plant genetic resources for food and agriculture ; 7bis Delete 7ter. Delete 7quater Delete
	Guinea	7bis Keep
	Indonesia	7bis. Keep 7ter. Keep 7quater. Keep
	Madagascar	7. Invites Contracting Parties in particular the developing or transition countries to report to the Governing Body on the due priority accorded in their own plans and programmes to building capacity in plant genetic resources for food and agriculture; 7bis Keep 7ter Keep; 7quater Requests the permanent technical committee to administer such resources in line with the priorities, eligibility criteria and operational procedures as provided for in the provisional annexes of the Funding Strategy;
	Morocco	7bis Delete 7ter Delete 7quater Delete
	Nepal	7bis Delete 7ter. Delete

		7 ^{quater} Delete
Paragraph 8	Algeria	8. Keep
	Argentina	8. Keep
	Australia	8. Keep
	Ethiopia	8. <i>Decides</i> to establish a Trust Account for receiving and utilizing financial resources that will accrue to the Governing Body for the purposes of implementing the Treaty. <i>To this end, every Party that gives access to a sample of a species listed in Annex 1 of the Treaty shall submit to the Executive Secretary of the Treaty a copy of the Standard Material Transfer Agreement signed by the recipient, and the Executive Secretary shall ensure that the monetary benefits that should accrue to the Multilateral System according to Article 13.2 (d) of the Treaty are deposited in the Trust Account.</i>
	Guinea	8. Keep
	Indonesia	8. Keep
	Madagascar	8. Keep
	Morocco	8. Keep
Nepal	8. Keep	
Paragraph 9	Algeria	9. <i>Requests</i> the Commission on Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture to support the development of the Funding Strategy in the context of its work in relation to the supporting components of the Treaty, <i>and with priority to its work on the Global Plan of Action and its Facilitating Mechanism;</i>
	Australia	9. <i>Requests</i> the Commission on Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture to support the development of the Funding Strategy in the context of its work in relation to the supporting components of the Treaty, <i>including its work on the Global Plan of Action and its Facilitating Mechanism;</i>
	Guinea	9. <i>Further urges</i> the Commission on Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture to support the development of the Funding Strategy in the context of its work in relation to the supporting components of the Treaty, <i>including its work on the Global Plan of Action ...</i>
	Madagascar	9. Remove the brackets.
	Morocco	9. <i>Requests</i> the Commission on Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture to support the development of the Funding Strategy in the context of its work in relation to the supporting components of the Treaty, <i>including its work on the Global Plan of Action and its Facilitating Mechanism;</i>
	Nepal	9. <i>Requests</i> the Commission on Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture to support the development of the Funding Strategy in the context of its work in relation to the supporting components of the Treaty <i>and with priority to its work on the Global Plan of Action and its Facilitating Mechanism;</i>
Paragraph 10	Guinea	10. <i>Invites the Secretary ...</i>

C. VIEWS AND PROPOSALS ON THE ANNEX TO THE DRAFT RESOLUTION ON FUNDING STRATEGY

DRAFT FUNDING STRATEGY FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE INTERNATIONAL TREATY ON PLANT GENETIC RESOURCES FOR FOOD AND AGRICULTURE

I Objectives

Article	Party	Views and Proposals (proposed Text in <i>italics</i>)
1	Egypt	1. <i>The objective of the Funding Strategy is to enhance the availability, transparency, efficiency, effectiveness and fair and justice distribution and sharing between the participating parties.</i>

II Aims

Article	Party	Views and Proposals (proposed Text in <i>italics</i>)
2	Algeria	2. <i>The aims of the Funding Strategy are:</i> 2.1 <i>To develop ways and means by which adequate resources are available for the implementation of the Treaty in accordance with Article 18 of the Treaty. Such resources shall include:</i> b. <i>Financial resources for priority activities, plans and programmes relevant to the implementation of the Treaty provided by relevant international mechanisms, funds and bodies⁷ and through bilateral and regional and multilateral channels;⁸</i> f. <i>Keep.</i> 2.2 <i>To guarantee the transparent, efficient and effective utilization of all resources made available under the Funding Strategy. Noting that the financial resources provided shall not be used to ends inconsistent with this Treaty, in particular in areas related to international trade in commodities.</i>
	Australia	2. <i>The aims of the Funding Strategy are:</i> 2.1 <i>To develop ways and means by which adequate resources are available for the implementation of the Treaty, in accordance with Article 18 of the Treaty. Such resources shall include:</i> b. <i>Financial resources for priority activities, plans and programmes relevant to the implementation of the Treaty provided by relevant international mechanisms, funds and bodies and through bilateral, regional and multilateral channels;</i> f. <i>Keep</i> 2.2 <i>To establish mechanisms to ensure the transparent, efficient and effective utilization of all resources made available under the Funding Strategy</i>
	European Union	Under the 'aims' of the Funding Strategy the EU is of the opinion that

- the Funding Strategy can neither 'ensure' nor 'guarantee' adequate

⁷ Article 18.4a.

⁸ Article 18.4c.

		<p>resources for the implementation of the Treaty. This would require legal certainty;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> the Funding Strategy can neither ‘ensure’ nor ‘guarantee’ the transparent, efficient and effective use of resources. It can however ‘facilitate’ these aims.
	Guinea	<p>2. <i>The aims of the Funding Strategy are:</i></p> <p>2.1 <i>To develop ways and means by which adequate resources are available ...:</i></p> <p>2.2 <i>To ensure the transparent ...</i></p>
	Indonesia	<p>Article II.</p> <p>2. <i>The aims of the Funding Strategy are:</i></p> <p>2.1 <i>To ensure that adequate resources are available for the implementation of the Treaty, in accordance with Article 18 of the Treaty. Such resources shall include</i></p> <p><i>b. Financial resources for priority activities, plans and programmes relevant to the implementation of the Treaty provided by relevant international mechanisms, funds and bodies³ and through bilateral and regional and multilateral channels;⁹</i></p> <p><i>f. Keep</i></p> <p>2.2 <i>To ensure the transparent, efficient and effective utilization of all resources made available under the Funding Strategy. Noting that the financial resources provided shall not be used to ends inconsistent with this Treaty, in particular in areas related to international trade in commodities.</i></p>
	Madagascar	<p>2. <i>The aims of the Funding Strategy are:</i></p> <p>2.1 <i>To develop ways and means by which adequate resources are available for the implementation of the Treaty, in accordance with Article 18 of the Treaty. Such resources shall include:</i></p> <p><i>b. Financial resources for priority activities, plans and programmes relevant to the implementation of the Treaty provided by relevant international mechanisms, funds and bodies¹⁰ and through bilateral and regional and multilateral channels;¹¹</i></p> <p><i>f. Keep.</i></p> <p>2.2 <i>To guarantee the transparent, efficient and effective utilization of all resources made available under the Funding Strategy. Noting that the financial resources provided shall not be used to ends inconsistent with this Treaty, in particular in areas related to international trade in commodities.</i></p>
	Morocco	<p>2. <i>The aims of the Funding Strategy are:</i></p> <p>2.1 <i>To develop ways and means by which adequate resources are available for implementation of the Treaty, in accordance with Article 18 of the Treaty.</i></p>

⁹ Article 18.4c.

¹⁰ Article 18.4a.

¹¹ Article 18.4c.

		<p><i>Such resources shall include:</i></p> <p><i>b. Financial resources for priority activities, plans and programmes relevant to the implementation of the Treaty¹² provided by relevant international mechanisms, funds and bodies¹³ through bilateral and regional and multilateral channels;</i></p> <p><i>f. Keep.</i></p> <p>2.2 To ensure the transparent, efficient and effective utilization of all resources made available under the Funding Strategy for purposes that are compatible with the provisions of the Treaty. <i>Noting that the financial resources provided shall not be used to ends inconsistent with this Treaty, in particular in areas related to international trade in commodities.</i></p>
	Nepal	<p>Article II.2</p> <p>2.1 To facilitate the provision of adequate resources are available for the implementation of the Treaty. <i>Such resources shall include:</i></p> <p><i>b. Financial resources for priority activities, plans and programmes relevant to the implementation of the Treaty provided by relevant international mechanisms, funds and bodies.¹⁴</i></p> <p><i>f. Keep</i></p> <p>2.2 To facilitate the transparent, efficient and effective utilization of all resources made available under the Funding Strategy.</p>

III Priorities

Article	Party	Views and Proposals (proposed text in <i>italics</i>)
3	Algeria	3. <i>Priorities for support under the Funding Strategy are established to ensure a balanced approach to the implementation of the Treaty, in particular the conservation and sustainable use of plant genetic resources for food and agriculture. The priorities are at Provisional Annex 1.</i>
	Australia	3. <i>Priorities for support under the Funding Strategy are to be established and periodically reviewed to ensure a balanced approach to the implementation of the Treaty. The priorities are at Annex 1 of this document.</i>
	Indonesia	3. <i>Priorities for support under the Funding Strategy are established to ensure a balanced approach to the implementation of the Treaty. The priorities are at Provisional Annex 1.</i>
	Madagascar	3. <i>Priorities for support under the Funding Strategy are established to ensure a balanced approach to the implementation of the Treaty, in particular the conservation and sustainable use of plant genetic resources for food and agriculture. The priorities are at Provisional Annex 1.</i>
	Nepal	3. <i>Priorities for support under the Funding Strategy are established to ensure a balanced approach to the implementation of the Treaty, in particular the conservation and sustainable use of plant genetic resources for food and agriculture. The priorities are at Provisional Annex 1.</i>

¹² Article 18.4a.

¹³ Article 18.4c.

¹⁴ Article 18.4a.

IV. Targets for Funding⁸

Article	Party	Views and Proposals (proposed Text in <i>italics</i>)
4	Algeria	4. Keep.
	Australia	Add new 4. <i>A target for funding is to be established periodically by the Governing Body, taking into account the Global Plan of Action, in order to mobilise funding for priority activities, plans and programmes under the Treaty.</i>
	Indonesia	4. Keep
	Madagascar	4. Keep

V. Resources under the Direct Control of the Governing Body

Rule	Party	Views and Proposals (proposed text in <i>italics</i>)
6	Algeria	6. <i>Disbursements from these resources will be granted by the Permanent Technical Committee. Subject to the availability of funds, disbursements will be granted annually.</i>
	Australia	6. <i>Disbursements from these resources will be granted by [Name of body responsible for granting awards] under the direction of the Governing Body. Subject to the availability of funds, disbursements will be granted annually, or as determined by the Governing Body.</i>
	European Union	In elaborating and implementing the Funding Strategy, a clear distinction should be made between funds under the direct control of the Governing Body on the one hand, and funds not under the control of the Governing Body, as specified in Art. 18.4(a) – (d) of the Treaty on the other hand. Different criteria and priorities may apply for each of these categories of funds.
	Guinea	6. <i>Disbursements from these resources will be granted by the Permanent Technical Committee. Subject to the availability of funds, disbursements will be granted annually.</i>
	Indonesia	6. <i>Disbursements from these resources will be granted by the Permanent Technical Committee. Subject to the availability of funds, disbursements will be granted annually.</i>
	Madagascar	6. <i>Disbursements from the resources will be granted by the Permanent Technical Committee. Subject to the availability of funds, disbursements will be granted annually.</i>
	Morocco	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – It is preferable not to create new structures that risk burdening the operational system of the Treaty. – Priority use will be made of existing structures (Governing Body, Secretariat and FAO structures). – We therefore propose to begin by defining the responsibilities and mode of operation of the new structures to be created.
Article 9	Algeria	9. <i>The Permanent Technical Committee will report on the granting of disbursements at each session of the Governing Body.</i>

⁸ Article 18.3.

	Guinea	9. <i>The Permanent Technical Committee will report on the granting of disbursements at each session of the Governing Body.</i>
	Indonesia	9. <i>The Permanent Technical Committee will report on the granting of disbursements at each session of the Governing Body.</i>
	Madagascar	9. <i>The Permanent Technical Committee will report on the granting of disbursements at each session of the Governing Body.</i>
	Morocco	9. See comments on Article 6.
	Nepal	9. <i>The Permanent Technical Committee will report on the granting of disbursements at each session of the Governing Body.</i>

VI. Resources not under the Direct Control of the Governing Body

Article	Party	Views and Proposals (proposed Text in <i>italics</i>)
11	Algeria	11. <i>Developed country Contracting Parties provide financial resources through bilateral, regional and multilateral channels, which Contracting Parties that are developing countries or countries with economies in transition avail themselves of, in accordance with Article 18.4c of the Treaty.</i>
	Australia	11. <i>Developed country Contracting Parties may provide financial resources through bilateral, regional and multilateral channels, which Contracting Parties that are developing countries or countries with economies in transition can avail themselves of, in accordance with Article 18.4c of the Treaty.</i>
	Guinea	11. <i>Developed country Contracting Parties provide financial resources through bilateral and multilateral channels, which Contracting Parties that are developing countries or countries with economies in transition avail themselves of, in accordance with Article 18.4c of the Treaty.</i>
	Indonesia	11. <i>Developed country Contracting Parties provide financial resources through bilateral, regional, and multilateral channels, which Contracting Parties that are developing countries or countries with economies in transition avail themselves of, in accordance with Article 18.4c of the Treaty.</i>
	Madagascar	11. <i>Developed country Contracting Parties provide financial resources through bilateral, regional and multilateral channels, which Contracting Parties that are developing countries or countries with economies in transition avail themselves of, in accordance with Article 18.4c of the Treaty.</i>
	Nepal	11. <i>Developed country Contracting Parties provide financial resources through bilateral and multilateral channels, which Contracting Parties that are developing countries or countries with economies in transition avail themselves of, in accordance with Article 18.4c of the Treaty.</i>
12	Algeria	12. <i>A number of international mechanisms, funds and bodies, including the Global Crop Diversity Trust and developed countries provide resources through bilateral, regional and multilateral channels in support of activities of relevance to the implementation of the International Treaty. All such funding bodies are encouraged to ensure that due priority and attention is given to the effective allocation of predictable and agreed resources in support of the implementation of the International Treaty. They are invited to use, as appropriate, the priorities identified at Provisional Annex 1 of this document when allocating resources in support of the implementation of the</i>

		<i>Treaty, within the context of their mandates.</i>
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D. VIEWS AND PROPOSED TEXT ON THE ANNEXES TO THE FUNDING STRATEGY.

Australia

ANNEXES TO THE FUNDING STRATEGY

ANNEX 1: Priorities for the Use of Resources under the Funding Strategy *PROGRAMMES*

1. Survey, collection and inventory of PGRFA, including
 - assessing the status and degree of variation in existing populations, including those of potential use for food and agriculture
 - developing monitoring and early warning systems for the loss of PGRFA
 - minimizing or, if possible, eliminating threats to PGRFA.
2. *Ex situ* management and conservation of PGRFA, including
 - developing and strengthening facilities for conservation of PGRFA
 - regenerating threatened *ex situ* accessions
 - improving collection management, education and training
 - promoting the development of efficient and sustainable *ex situ* conservation, with adequate information systems, documentation, characterization, regeneration and evaluation
 - supporting collection activities of valuable or threatened PGRFA
 - promoting the development and transfer of appropriate management, conservation and regeneration technologies
 - monitoring the maintenance of the viability, degree of variation, and genetic integrity of collections of PGRFA.
3. *In situ* management and conservation of PGRFA, including
 - supporting efforts to manage and conserve on-farm PGRFA
 - promoting conservation of wild crop relatives and wild plants for food and fibre production
 - promoting the conservation of local knowledge associated with *in situ* conservation and development of PGRFA.
4. Research and breeding to strengthen diversity, including
 - strengthening the capacity to develop varieties adapted to specific conditions,
 - broadening the genetic base of crops and increasing the range of intra- and inter-specific diversity available to farmers
 - enhancing international activities to promote conservation, evaluation, documentation, genetic enhancement, plant breeding, seed multiplication and sharing of PGRFA
 - providing access to and exchanging PGRFA and appropriate information and technology.
5. Capacity building, including
 - establishing and strengthening programmes for scientific and technical education and training in conservation and sustainable use of PGRFA
 - establishing or strengthening national capabilities to conserve and use PGRFA sustainably
 - promoting the provision of technical assistance in these areas
 - carrying out scientific research preferably, where possible, in developing countries and countries with economies in transition, in cooperation with scientific institutions in those countries.
6. Enhancing crop diversity, including
 - promoting the expanded use of local and locally adapted crops, varieties and underutilized species, and the commercial use of a wider diversity of varieties and species in order to reduce crop vulnerability and genetic erosion.
7. Increasing public awareness, including

- **promoting public awareness of the Treaty, its Multilateral System and the value of the conservation and use of PGRFA.**

ANNEX 2: Use of Resources under the Direct Control of the Governing Body – Eligibility Criteria

Resources under the direct control of the Governing Body should be allocated to Projects under the Funding Programmes (see Annex 1) established by the Governing Body. The significance of the problem identified and the probability of meeting Treaty objectives and priorities will be criteria in determining resource allocation to a particular Project proposal.

Each Project proposal will need to identify

- **the expected output(s),**
- **target region(s) or groups,**
- **beneficiaries and/or intended users and**
- **the intended beneficial changes that will result.**

Users are those whose knowledge of, use or adoption of the Project output should lead to beneficial change directly related to the objectives and priorities of the Treaty.

The capacity of those proposing projects to achieve their intended outputs will be one of the criteria used in selecting Projects for funding. Collaborative Projects that leverage funding from other sources to address Treaty objectives will also be an important consideration in the selection process. The effectiveness of the resources available to the Treaty can be assisted if

- **other funding sources can be harnessed, via joint projects, and**
- **if similar project proposals can be combined to enhance the expected achievement of outputs.**

ANNEX 3: Use of Resources under the Direct Control of the Governing Body – Operational Procedures

The funding target established by the Governing Body under paragraph 18.3 of the Treaty is underpinned by a five year rolling Medium Term Funding Plan, which allows allocations to be reviewed and adjusted in the context of the Funding Strategy and its funding priorities.

The Funding Plan will need to be consistent with the likely available resources. Funding priorities have to be established to cope with the contingencies of less or more resources than anticipated. The Funding Plan, once approved by the Governing Body, is eligible for financing by Parties, other governments and other donors, as well as through the resources available to the Governing Body.

Funding allocations are made to Projects, assessed by the Funding Sub-Committee and approved by the Governing Body. Each Project has to be fully costed. Projects need to be output focussed, with explicit links from these outputs through outcomes to measurable impacts – the ultimate benefits arising from the funding allocation. Projects are organised within Programmes that address the priorities established by the Funding Strategy (See Annex 1).

Each Project proposal needs a detailed rationale that sets it within the context of the Treaty and the Funding Strategy. It needs a problem analysis statement and a proposed solution to a problem identified in the Funding Strategy's priorities. It needs a commentary on why this funding has advantages over similar, comparable allocations by others, and identification of the expected output(s), target region(s) or groups, beneficiaries and/or intended users and resulting beneficial changes. (Users are those whose knowledge of, use or adoption of the output should lead to beneficial change directly related to the objectives and priorities of the Treaty). An estimate of the magnitude of uptake of the output, and the difficulties of achieving this, has to be included.

A plausible pathway from the output to the impact(s) that meet the Treaty's objectives and priorities has to be included. The role of the funding in terms of the Treaty being a primary or secondary contributor, catalyst, facilitator, or advocate has to be described. The funding and other contributions and the role of partner organisations have to be elaborated, along with the output(s) to which they are committed. Each Project has to specify annual Output Targets - the quantity and type of measurable, verifiable benefits expected. These Output Targets can include policies, strategies, changes in practice, improved sustainability, capacity improvements, infrastructure improvements, training, knowledge, and materials conserved.

At the conclusion of each Project, audited financial statements that comply with the International Financial Reporting Standards issued by the International Accounting Standards Board will be provided to the Funding Committee and the Evaluation & Audit Committee of the Governing Body.

ANNEX 4: Use of Resources under the Direct Control of the Governing Body – Modalities of a Strategy to Promote Voluntary Contributions

The Governing Body will appoint a Voluntary Contributions Committee made up of experts to promote voluntary contributions on its behalf.

The Governing Body will commission this Committee, in consultation with the secretariat, to prepare on a regular basis a paper for its consideration that sets out options for a strategy to promote voluntary contributions, drawing on the experience of member Governments, FAO and other organisations in similar exercises.

To assist it in its task, the Governing Body will advise the Voluntary Contributions Committee of

- **the extent of funding required, based on the funding target established by the Governing Body,**
- **the priorities for the distribution of funds,**
- **the long term strategy for maintaining funding flows,**
- **the anticipated administrative costs and the strategies to minimise them,**
- **the proposed oversight mechanisms for the receipt and distribution of funds and other governance mechanisms,**
- **the evaluation procedures, and**
- **the annual reporting procedures.**

The Committee's paper should outline the various objectives and/or programs that are proposed to be funded, and the optimal level of funding sought.

This paper should form an attachment to a letter circulated to governments, companies, foundations, NGOs and other potential contributors, seeking their assistance by making voluntary contributions.

ANNEX 5: Information and Reporting Requirements under the Funding Strategy

The Governing Body will establish a performance management reporting system that specifies the detail required on the achievement of Project outputs and of any deviation from the activities, timetables and targets previously advised.

The Governing Body will be advised from time to time of

- **the relevant international mechanisms, funds and bodies,**
- **their objectives,**
- **how these objectives relate to those of the Treaty,**
- **the level of funding as well as current and proposed programs under those mechanisms that may meet the objectives of the Treaty,**
- **the current and proposed arrangements for collaboration with those mechanisms, and**
- **the plans and programs that are proposed to be implemented under the Treaty in conjunction with those international mechanisms, funds and bodies.**

Gaps and overlaps between the Treaty's programme and those of other mechanisms will need to be clearly identified.

ANNEX 6: Targets for funding

The Governing Body will, from time to time, consider options for funding targets, focussing on the near term, i.e. the following three years, and the priorities that should be attached to each option in terms of the extent of programme delivery.

Appendix

**CIRCULAR STATE LETTER OF 27 JANUARY 2006 INVITING COUNTRIES TO
SUBMIT FURTHER VIEWS AND COMMENTS ON PROCEDURES AND
OPERATIONAL MECHANISMS TO PROMOTE COMPLIANCE**

Our Ref.: G/AGD-804

27 January 2006

International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture

Preparation of Draft Procedures and Mechanisms to promote
Compliance and to Address Issues of Non-Compliance

Development of the Funding Strategy

The Director-General of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations has the honour to refer to the International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture, which was approved by the FAO Conference at its Thirty-first Session in November 2001, through Resolution 3/2001, in accordance with Article XIV of the FAO Constitution. The Resolution also requested the Commission on Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture to act as Interim Committee for the Treaty, and prepare the First Session of the Treaty's Governing Body, which is scheduled to be held in Madrid from 12 to 16 June 2006, at the kind invitation of the Government of the Kingdom of Spain.

At its Second Meeting the Interim Committee established an Open-ended Working Group on the Rules of Procedure and Financial Rules of the Governing Body, Compliance and the Funding Strategy. The Open-ended Working Group met in Rome from 14 to 17 December 2005 and took a number of decisions.

Article 21 of the Treaty, Compliance, requires the first meeting of the Governing Body of the Treaty *"to consider and approve cooperative and effective procedures and operational mechanisms to promote compliance with the provisions of this Treaty and to address issues of non-compliance"*. During the meeting of the Open-ended Working Group countries and regions made comments and submissions on the issue of compliance, which were consolidated in the text in *Appendix 1* to this letter. The Open-ended Working Group *"invited further submissions and comments by countries and regions, including on the text [in Appendix 1], and requested the Secretariat to post these on the Commission's Web-site"*.

Article 19.3c requires the Governing Body *"to adopt, at its first session [...] the funding strategy for the implementation of this Treaty, in accordance with the provisions of Article 18"*. The Open-ended Working Group considered and revised a draft Funding Strategy, including a draft Resolution, for submission to the Governing Body.

... The revised draft Funding Strategy and draft Resolution are attached as *Appendix 2* to this letter. The Open-ended Working Group also *"agreed that Members might provide the Secretariat with further views on, and text for, the Funding Strategy, by 31 March 2006. It requested the Secretariat to compile such views and suggested text for consideration as a background document by the first Session of the Governing Body"*.

The Organization accordingly therefore takes pleasure in inviting States and regions to forward their views on Compliance and on the Funding Strategy, in the form requested by the Open-ended Working Group, by 31 March 2006, to:

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