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Dear Mrs. Waller-Hunter:

Re: **Agenda Item for COP 11 and COP/MOP 1: "Incentives for Reducing Emissions from Deforestation in Developing Countries"**

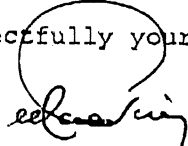
Being informed of the presentation made by Papua New Guinea at the Seminar of Governmental Experts (SOGE) in Bonn on 17 May 2005, in my dual condition as Secretary of State for the Environment and Natural Resources and Government Focal Point for the UNFCCC, I have the honor to inform you that the Dominican Republic wishes to support the request made by Papua New Guinea. In accordance with Rule 10 (d) of the draft Rules of Procedure [FCCC/CP/1996/2]<sup>1</sup> to be applied at COP 11 and COP/MOP 1 [see FCCC/SBI/2005/4 paragraph 6], that item 'Incentives for reducing emissions from deforestation in developing countries' should be placed on the agenda for both COP 11 and COP/MOP 1.

The Dominican Republic notes the coherence of the presentation and the corresponding request with "the specific needs and concerns of developing country Parties arising from the adverse effects of climate change and/or the impact of the implementation of response measures, especially on Countries with forested areas and areas liable to forest decay; countries with areas with fragile ecosystems, including mountainous ecosystems..." [UNFCCC Articles 4.8 © and (g)].

The Dominican Republic believes that forest ecosystems can and should play a significant role in reducing CHG emissions through different activities. Parties should start to discuss these issues in the COP 11 and COP/MOP 1.

Please accept, Madame Executive Secretary, the assurance of our highest consideration.

Respectfully yours,

  
Max Puig

Secretary of State  
for the Environment and Natural Resources  
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<sup>1</sup> Rule 10 states, "The provisional agenda for each ordinary session shall include, as appropriate... (d) any item proposed by a Party and received by the secretariat before the provisional agenda is circulated.