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**AGRICULTURAL BIODIVERSITY - BIOFUELS AND BIODIVERSITY: CONSIDERATION
OF WAYS AND MEANS TO PROMOTE THE POSITIVE AND MINIMIZE THE NEGATIVE
IMPACTS OF THE PRODUCTION AND USE OF BIOFUELS ON BIODIVERSITY**

Corrigendum

Based on more recent consultations, the Roundtable on Sustainable Biofuels (RSB) has provided updated information in relation to the “Version Zero” of the principles referred to in paragraph 24 which has been replaced by “Version One”. The text of paragraph 24 is amended as follows:

Paragraph 24

24. The Roundtable on Sustainable Biofuels (RSB), a multi-stakeholder initiative with over 100 members from civil society and the private sector, developed a consensual and comprehensive certification system over the last three years. This system includes a set of 12 principles and more than 40 criteria. The RSB enables operators to verifiably claim compliance with the RSB Standard. The 12 RSB Principles included in Version One, which was published in November 2009, are:

Principle 1. Biofuel operations shall follow all applicable laws and regulations;

Principle 2. Sustainable biofuel operations shall be planned, implemented, and continuously improved through an open, transparent, and consultative Environmental and Social Impact Assessment (ESIA) and an economic viability analysis;

Principle 3. Biofuels shall contribute to climate-change mitigation by significantly reducing lifecycle greenhouse-gas emissions as compared to fossil fuels;

Principle 4. Biofuel operations shall not violate human rights or labour rights, and shall promote decent work and the well-being of workers;

Principle 5. In regions of poverty, biofuel operations shall contribute to the social and economic development of local, rural and indigenous people and communities;

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Principle 6. Biofuel operations shall ensure the human right to adequate food and improve food security in food-insecure regions;

Principle 7. Biofuel operations shall avoid negative impacts on biodiversity, ecosystems, and other conservation values;

Principle 8. Biofuel operations shall implement practices that seek to reverse soil degradation and/or maintain soil health;

Principle 9. Biofuel operations shall maintain or enhance the quality and quantity of surface and ground water resources, and respect prior formal or customary water rights;

Principle 10. Air pollution from biofuel operations shall be minimized along the supply chain;

Principle 11. The use of technologies in biofuel operations shall seek to maximize production efficiency and social and environmental performance, and minimize the risk of damages to the environment and people; and

Principle 12. Biofuel operations shall respect land rights and land use rights.
