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Updating or revision of the Strategic Plan of the Convention after 2010

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Dear Sir,

In response to the notification dated June 10th, 2009 (Ref.: SCBD/ITS/DC/MC/64383) on the above-mentioned subject, I wish to draw your kind attention to the views presented by the Department of Environment (DOE) of the Islamic Republic of Iran in response to the information presented in the synthesis/analysis of views on the updated and revised Strategic Plan of the Convention after 2010.

It is hoped that these views could be beneficial and to be taken into account in preparation of the said synthesis/analysis.

Yours sincerely

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Paragraph 32. It is very important to pay attention to the importance of biodiversity conservation and its links to poverty cradication in the new plan. This is mainly important for underdeveloped and developing countries where people are mainly dependent on natural resources for their livelihood.

Paragraph 38. Identifying the implementation gaps and addressing them in the new plan will help strengthen the new plan and avoid making duplicated mistakes in implementing the strangic plan.

Paragraph 41. Having a short and focused plan will be an asset for its implementation. Extensive lengths of many plans and programs will result in lack of implementation or ineffectiveness for many countries. Usually governments do not desire comprehensive plans.

Paragraph 62. This broader range of partnerships will promote the sustainable management of biodiversity and also will strengthen long-term political commitments and will enhance cooperation and coordination of all parties for biodiversity conservation.

Paragraph 66. A national monitoring and reporting acheme will allow for detection of changes in biodiversity statues and trends and more effective responses.