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Madam, Sir,

I have the pleasure to invite your Organization to participate as an observer in the Thirty-Fifth Session of the *Intergovernmental Committee on Intellectual Property and Genetic Resources, Traditional Knowledge and Folklore (IGC)*, which will be held at the headquarters of the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) in Geneva, from March 19 to 23, 2018.

In accordance with the decision that was adopted by the WIPO General Assembly at its Fifty-Seventh Session that took place from October 2 to 11, 2017, the Thirty-Fifth Session of the IGC will address the subject of genetic resources.

The working languages of the session will be English, Arabic, Chinese, French, Russian and Spanish with simultaneous interpretation being provided in those languages.

The draft agenda (document WIPO/GRTKF/IC/35/1 Prov.) and other working documents are or will be available on the WIPO website at: http://www.wipo.int/meetings/en/details.jsp?meeting_id=46369.

It would be appreciated if the name and title of each nominated representative of your Organization could be communicated to WIPO before March 1, 2018, preferably by registering on-line at the following address: https://www3.wipo.int/registration/en/form.jsp?meeting_id=46369 by using the following code: 7h9fD3aP21.

Any queries in relation to these meetings may be addressed to the Secretariat at <u>grtkf@wipo.int</u>.

Yours sincerely,

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