Agenda item 6

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Prepared by: Ecuador Purpose: Consideration

Fifth Meeting of the APFNet Council

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Membership Application from Ecuador

The Secretariat received following(as attached) documents in December 2018, and requests Council's consideration, in accordance with APFNet Membership Procedures, as stipulated in the APFNet Operational Framework, ratified by members in 2015.

- 1. The official Letter of Intent from Ministry of Agriculture and Livestock, Ecuador
- 2. Confirmation of Acceptance of the APFNet Operational Framework

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Quito, 2108 December 03

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Dear Ms. Lu:

I am pleased to coordinate the membership of Rcuador to APFNet by sending you this letter and attached documents. I am the head of the Secretary of Forest Development from the Ministry of Agriculture and Livestock (MAG; https://www.agricultura.gob.ec/), one of the primary government entities in charge of Forestry in Ecuador. Our country is blessed with mega-diverse ecosystems, and we are in constant search for international collaboration to protect our ecosystems while ensuring social welfare through the development of forest management.

Our mission is to plan and propose policies, strategies and regulations for afforestation and productive reforestation, as well as follow up and monitor the management of our office, which generates updated technical information on the situation of national productive forest plantations. We work closely with other governmental, non-governmental and private institutions to ensure sustainable forest management practices in our country.

We are alligned and fully support APFNet's mission, vision and objectives. Please find attached our acceptance of the Operational Framework. I believe Ecuador will be a remarkable addition to the APFNet club and our forestry sector will greatly benefit by the opportunities offered by your international coalition.

We highly appreciate your time to considering this application.

Sincerely,

Enrique Garcia

Subsecretary of Forest Development

Ministry of Agriculture and Livestock

Quito - Ecuador



ConfirmationofAcceptance of the Operational Framework for APFNet Membership Application

Date of application	[03/12/2018]
Applicantentity	MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND LIVESTOCK (MAG), ECUADOR
Membership category	CATEGORY A
Acceptance of the APFNet Operational Framework (as adopted April 2015)	☑ Yes □ No
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