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To designated IPCC Focal Points and Ministries of Foreign Affairs (MFAs) (if no focal point has been designated)

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Sir/Madam,

At its 37th Session (14-18 October 2013, Batumi, Georgia), the Panel adopted the IPCC budget for 2014 and noted the budget forecast for 2015.

In doing so, the Panel requested the Secretariat to invite Governments to consider making provisions for funding to also cover outreach activities after the launch of a report, including outreach activities related to the UNFCCC process.

The IPCC approved and accepted the Working Group I contribution to the Fifth Assessment Report on 27 September 2013. Since then a large number of outreach activities to communicate the findings of that report have been organized. The Working Group II and III contributions to the Fifth Assessment Report, and its Synthesis Report, are due to be finalized later this year.

The IPCC Chair, Working Groups and Secretariat are working on an ambitious programme of outreach to present the Fifth Assessment Report to different audiences and stakeholders. These events include presentations to conferences of international organizations and United Nations agencies, including the UNFCCC, and events to present the findings of the report in individual countries and regions.

I am writing to ask you to support these activities, as requested by the Panel and to inform me about planned activities and provision of funds. Examples of such support could include, but not be limited to, funding the participation of authors from your country as speakers at outreach events, hosting events in your country or region and supporting participants from different countries at regional events. The IPCC Secretariat will be very pleased to consult with you and advise on priorities for outreach activities.

A copy of this letter is being sent to the Ministry for Foreign Affairs, the Permanent Representative with WMO and Focal Point(s) of UNEP of your country for information.

Yours sincerely,

(Renate Christ) Secretary of the IPCC

