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NOTIFICATION

An invitation to update the submission of measures, best practices and lessons learned from the realization of Farmers' Rights, as set out in Article 9 of the International Treaty
or
submit views, experiences and best practices as examples of possible options for national implementation of Article 9 of the International Treaty

Dear Madam/Sir,

The purpose of this notification is to provide an update on the work of the Ad Hoc Technical Expert Group on Farmers' Rights, and in support of the process to prepare a *Draft Inventory of National Measures, Best Practices and Lessons Learned from the Realization of Farmers' Rights, as set out in Article 9 of the International Treaty*.

The Expert Group, at its [second meeting](#), reviewed the draft Inventory prepared by the Secretariat in accordance with the request it made at its first meeting in [September 2018](#) and agreed that the Inventory is a rolling document and should be configured in a manner that would allow for the inclusion of new information and possible updating of existing information. At the same meeting, it agreed on a revised [Template](#) for collecting information on measures, best practices and lessons learned from the realization of Farmers' Rights, as set out in Article 9 of the International Treaty.

The Expert Group further agreed that only submissions containing the mandatory information as indicated in the [Template](#) would be included in the updated version of the draft Inventory to be presented to the Governing Body at its Eighth Session, as an information document.

In this context, I would like to invite all Contracting Parties and relevant stakeholders to update their submissions using the [Template](#) agreed to by the Expert Group. Furthermore, Contracting Parties and relevant stakeholders who could not make any submissions previously are also invited to submit their views, best practices and measures for implementing Farmers' Rights, as set out in Article 9 of the International Treaty.

To facilitate the consolidation of such information in updating the Draft Inventory being prepared by the Secretariat for the Eighth Session of the Governing Body, I would appreciate receiving such information by **31 July 2019** at PGRFA-Treaty@fao.org.

For any query or request for further information, please contact the Secretariat of the International Treaty at:

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Please accept, Madam/Sir, the assurance of my highest consideration.

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