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## Letter dated 4 May 1994 from the Permanent Representative of Malaysia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to transmit to you the report of the first meeting of the Intergovernmental Working Group on Global Forests (see annex), which was held in Kuala Lumpur from 18 to 21 April 1994. The meeting was jointly organized and sponsored by the Governments of Canada and Malaysia.

The objective of the initiative undertaken by Canada and Malaysia is to facilitate dialogue and consolidate approaches to the management, conservation and sustainable development of the world's forests, leading to the review of forest-related issues by the Commission on Sustainable Development at its session in 1995. The second meeting of the Working Group is scheduled to be held in Canada in October 1994.

I would be grateful if you could make arrangements to circulate the attached report as an official document of the Commission on Sustainable Development under item 8 of the agenda for its second session.

(<u>Signed</u>) Razali ISMAIL Ambassador

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