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Letter dated 23 December 1999 from the Permanent Representative of the Islamic Republic of Iran to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to transmit herewith the Tehran Declaration (see annex I) and the report of the Open-ended International Meeting of Experts on the Special Needs and Requirements of Developing Countries with Low Forest Cover and Unique Types of Forests (see annex II), a Government-led initiative in support of the programme of work of the Intergovernmental Forum on Forests, which was held in Tehran from 4 to 8 October 1999.

I should be grateful if the text of the present letter and its annexes could be distributed as a document of the Intergovernmental Forum on Forests at its fourth session.

(Signed) Hadi Nejad Hosseinian

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