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IMPLEMENTATION OF FOREST-RELATED DECISIONS OF THE UNITED NATIONS  
CONFERENCE ON ENVIRONMENT AND DEVELOPMENT AT THE NATIONAL AND  
INTERNATIONAL LEVELS, INCLUDING AN EXAMINATION OF SECTORAL AND  
CROSS-SECTORAL LINKAGES

Letter dated 15 January 1997 from the Permanent Representatives  
of Colombia and Denmark to the United Nations addressed to the  
Secretary-General\*\*

The Permanent Mission of Colombia to the United Nations, the Permanent Mission of Denmark to the United Nations and the International Alliance of the Indigenous/Tribal Peoples of the Tropical Forests have the honour to transmit to you copies in English and Spanish language of the "Proposals for Action" and the "Leticia-Declaration" adopted by the International Meeting of Indigenous and Other Forest-Dependent Peoples on the Management, Conservation and Sustainable Development of All Types of Forests, which was an inter-sessional activity under the Intergovernmental Panel on Forests. The meeting was held in Leticia, Colombia, from 9 to 13 December 1996 at the invitation of the International Alliance of the Indigenous/Tribal Peoples of the Tropical Forests and co-sponsored by the Governments of Colombia and Denmark.

The above-mentioned documents constitute the indigenous peoples' contributions to the ongoing process in the Intergovernmental Panel on Forests and should provide an input to the fourth session of the Ad Hoc

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\*\* The letter has also been signed by Mr. Joji Cariño, Executive Secretary of the International Alliance of the Indigenous/Tribal Peoples of the Tropical Forests, a non-governmental organization.

Intergovernmental Panel on Forests, to be held at the United Nations Headquarters in New York from 11 to 21 February 1997.

May we ask for your kind consideration in circulating these attached papers as part of the official documentation of the fourth session of the Intergovernmental Panel on Forests.

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Ambassador  
Permanent Representative of Colombia  
to the United Nations

(Signed) Benny KIMBERG  
Ambassador  
Permanent Representative of Denmark  
to the United Nations