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IN THOSE COUNTRIES EXPERIENCING SERIOUS  
DROUGHT AND/OR DESERTIFICATION, PARTICULARLY  
IN AFRICA  
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REPORT ON WORK BEING DONE ON BENCHMARKS AND INDICATORS TO  
MEASURE PROGRESS IN THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE CONVENTION

Note by the Secretariat

Following deliberations in Working Group II at the ninth session of the INCD, the Secretariat was requested in Decision 9/12 to continue the work on benchmarks and indicators initially undertaken pursuant to Decision 8/8.

Further to the request contained in Decision 9/12, the Secretariat invited written contributions from interested INCD members by October 15, 1996, and has established an informal open-ended consultative process to expand on such work. The Secretariat will prepare a report on the subject which will be made available to INCD members at the tenth session in the form of an informal paper.