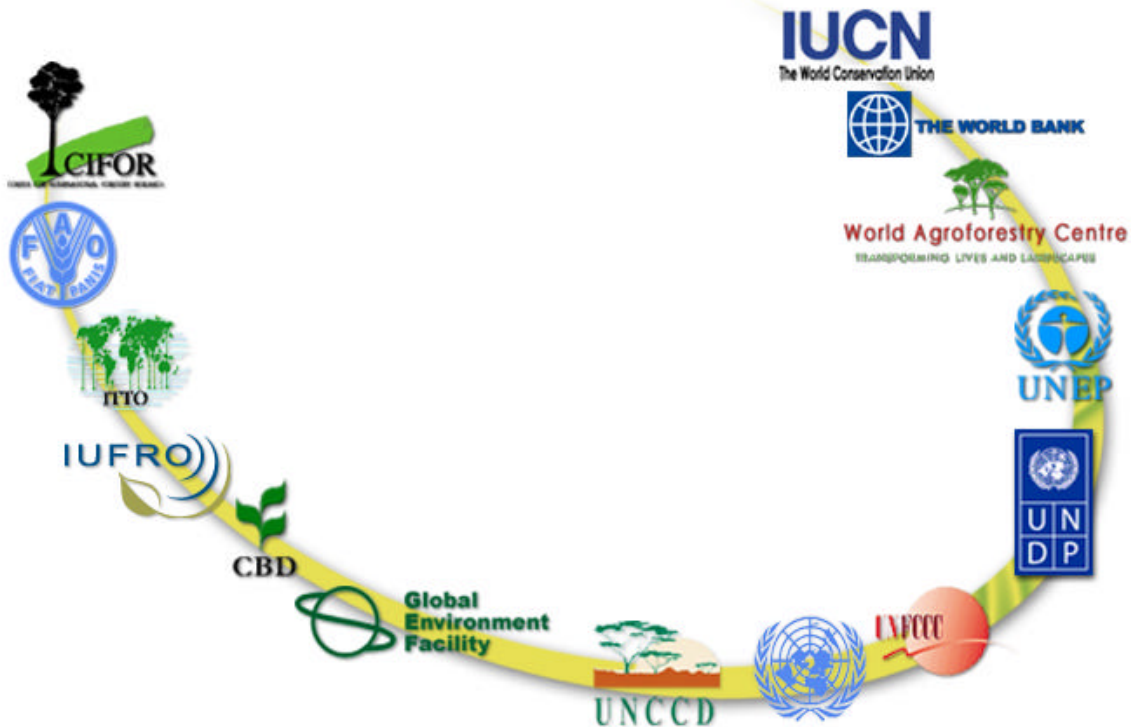


# Collaborative Partnership on Forests' Joint Response to the Voluntary Questionnaire on the Review of the Effectiveness of the International Arrangement on Forests



**Annex**

**Voluntary questionnaire to facilitate the review of the effectiveness of the international arrangement on forests at the fifth session of the United Nations Forum on Forests**

Specific criterion for review: <b>(a) Implementation of IPF/IFF proposals for action:</b> <b>(i) The extent to which countries, the Collaborative Partnership on Forests and other actors have made progress in implementing the relevant IPF/IFF proposals for action</b>					
Remark/synthesis report with illustrative examples: <sup>a</sup>  CPF members have made good progress in implementing the IPF/IFF proposals directed to them (further details, see annex 1). Significant progress has been made jointly by CPF in a number of areas specifically addressed by the UNFF and highlighted in several IPF/IFF proposals for action, including: - streamlined forest reporting among CPF members to reduce the reporting burden on countries (see (e)(i) for more details); - information on sources of funding for SFM to promote establishment of new partnerships and increased funding opportunities for SFM projects in developing countries. - the Global Forest Information Service (GFIS) project, an internet gateway that provides access to information on forest resources at a global scale where users can locate maps, datasets, web resources, journal articles, books and other resources related to forests through a metadata search facility. - harmonization of forest-related definitions (see (b) (iv) for more details).  In addition, many CPF members assist countries directly in implementing IPF/IFF proposals for action. Details of progress in this regard can be found in the annual CPF Frameworks (progress reports), as well as CPF members' individual reports on implementation to IPF/IFF proposals . CPF members appreciate the support of the UNFF Secretariat, which is also servicing as CPF's secretariat.					
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Specific criterion for review: <b>(a) Implementation of IPF/IFF proposals for action:</b> <b>(ii) The extent to which countries have developed and started to implement national forest programmes or equivalent processes</b>					
Remark/synthesis report with illustrative examples: <sup>a</sup>					
<p>Increasingly, in many countries, the national forest programmes are seen as an effective tool for cross-sectoral and participatory policy making and for translating international forest-related commitments into practice. While most countries have embraced the concept of a nationally -led, stakeholder oriented process of dialogue, implementation of actions oriented to SFM remain constrained by limited domestic financial support and technical capacities.</p> <p>Some CPF members work directly with countries to support their national forest programme processes. Furthermore, the National Forest Programme Facility, hosted by FAO, currently supports 36 countries in their nfp process by promoting participatory and multi-stakeholder national process; helping integrate SFM into poverty reduction strategies and broad intersectoral processes; and by helping to translate commitments at the international level into national forest policy and planning. PROFOR, hosted at the World Bank, is working with a number of countries to strengthen national capacity in planning, implementing and financing sustainable forest management and generating knowledge on nfp processes on critical issues.</p> <p>CIFOR, ITTO, World Bank/PROFOR, FAO and UNFF Secretariat also supported a UNFF Country -and Organization-Led Initiative, the Workshop on Decentralization, Federal Systems in Forestry and National Forest Programmes (May 2004, Interlaken, Switzerland).</p>					
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Specific criterion for review: <b>(a) Implementation of IPF/IFF proposals for action:</b> <b>(iii) The extent to which participation of stakeholders in those programmes and processes has been enhanced</b>					
Remark/synthesis report with illustrative examples: <sup>a</sup>  Many CPF members actively support participatory approaches and effective involvement of civil society in national decision-making. According to information obtained from countries by CPF members, the general trend towards more civil society participation in policy processes has gained momentum, especially with the recently reinforced international commitment to strengthen the role of forest sector in poverty alleviation and rural development. Nonetheless, there are variations in the extent to which countries have managed to effectively include and engage all stakeholder groups throughout the entire national forest programme process, from development to implementation.					
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Specific criterion for review: <b>(a) Implementation of IPF/IFF proposals for action:</b> <b>(iv) The extent to which the international arrangement on forests has facilitated and promoted countries' implementation of the IPF/IFF proposals for action, focusing on the means of implementation (finance, transfer of environmentally sound technologies and capacity-building) as well as the relevant common items</b>					
Remark/synthesis report with illustrative examples: <sup>a</sup>  The UNFF has facilitated a dialogue on the means of implementation in order to promote countries' implementation of the IPF/IFF proposals for action. CPF members have supported and actively participated in some the avenues for this dialogue, including the UNFF ad hoc expert group on finance and transfer of environmental sound technologies in December 2003, as well as at the country- and organization-led initiatives in support of UNFF, such as on Financing Sustainable Forest Management (January 2001, Oslo, Norway) and Global Workshop on Transfer of Environmental Sound Technologies and Capacity Building for Sustainable Forest Management (February 2004, Brazzaville, Congo).  Capacity building is an integral and extensive part of many CPF members' work, especially those that work in the field.					
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Specific criterion for review: <b>(a) Implementation of IPF/IFF proposals for action:</b> <b>(v) The extent to which countries have made progress in assessing the IPF/IFF proposals for action in order to determine their relevance in their national context</b>					
Remark/synthesis report with illustrative examples: <sup>a</sup>					
Workshops and in-session seminars, such as those organized by FAO in conjunction with regional forestry commissions; efforts by many other regional processes, e.g. MCPFE; as well as the work of the National Forest Programme Facility and the World Bank/PROFOR have demonstrated that a number of countries have undertaken a systematic assessment of relevance of the IPF/IFF proposals for action. They are used as a check-list to analyse the compatibility of national activities with international guidance, often within the context of the national forest programme.					
CPF members have collaborated with each other and with partners from government and non-governmental organizations to 'translate' the IPF/IFF proposals for action into terms that are more readily understandable in the national and regional contexts through such activities as workshops, analysis of synergies between the proposals and other relevant instruments and policy frameworks. Expressing the IPF/IFF proposals for action in more accessible terms has made their relevance to countries and various stakeholders more apparent, thereby facilitating the assessment of progress in implementation and the identification of priorities for future action.					
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Specific criterion for review: <b>(b) Forum for continued policy development and dialogue:</b> <b>(i) The extent to which the international arrangement on forests, including, inter alia, Forum sessions, intersessional work and the multi-stakeholder dialogue, and the related work of the Collaborative Partnership on Forests and its members, as well as country- and organization-led initiatives, have enhanced forest policy development and dialogue</b>					
Remark/synthesis report with illustrative examples: <sup>a</sup>  The international arrangement on forests has enhanced forest policy development and dialogue. The UNFF sessions have offered opportunities for an open dialogue on a wide range of forest policy issues with a number of resolutions and decisions as a result. CPF members actively participate in UNFF sessions and support the policy dialogue by providing expertise and advisory services to UNFF, including by preparing documentation for UNFF sessions and supporting intersessional activities.  The country - and organization-led initiatives in support of UNFF have provided significant expert inputs and clarification to many complex forest issues. CPF members have jointly organized with governments and non-governmental organizations a number of such initiatives, and played active and supportive role in most of them.  Several CPF members, by their mandate, provided venues for discussing both policy and technical issues and have also contributed to the enhancement of policy development and dialogue.					
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Specific criterion for review: <b>(b) Forum for continued policy development and dialogue:</b> <b>(ii) The extent to which the international arrangement on forests has worked in a transparent and participatory manner, including through the involvement of major groups</b>					
Remark/synthesis report with illustrative examples: <sup>a</sup>					
<p>CPF members have recognized the benefit of efficient and effective participation of civil society in IAF work. The multi-stakeholder dialogue of UNFF has provided a useful mechanism for the involvement of major groups. Furthermore, significant progress has been made in the engagement of major groups and other civil society groups in interessional work, where their representatives have been involved in all aspects from co-sponsoring events to participation in drafting committees.</p> <p>The informal CPF Network has also provided a useful platform for engaging and informing stakeholders. For example, network participants have contributed to the development and dissemination, through their own networks, of the CPF Sourcebook on Funding for SFM. However, attracting the participation of a range of non-governmental organizations is challenging. The recommendation of the CPF Network meeting held during UNFF4 to undertake an assessment of challenges and possible solutions would improve the functioning of the CPF Network in future.</p> <p>For transparency, all CPF documents and meeting reports are available on the CPF's website (<a href="http://www.fao.org/forestry/cpf">www.fao.org/forestry/cpf</a>).</p>					
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Specific criterion for review: <b>(b) Forum for continued policy development and dialogue:</b> <b>(iii) The extent to which the Collaborative Partnership on Forests members have responded to the guidance of the Forum</b>					
Remark/synthesis report with illustrative examples: <sup>a</sup>  CPF seeks guidance from UNFF so that it can better serve the process. However, the Partnership is made up of individual members, each with its own mandate, priorities and limited budgets. Throughout the last few years the CPF has encouraged governments to send consistent messages on the importance of working collaboratively to promote national implementation of sustainable forest management worldwide. So far, CPF members have or are in the process of implementing a majority of the invitations from the Forum, including: - support UNFF intersessional activities. - support preparation of Secretary-General's reports for the sessions of the Forum. - facilitate implementation of the IPF/IFF proposals for action. - enhance a common understanding of forest-related terms and definitions. - enhance cooperation and coordination among CPF members. - reduce duplication in forest reporting (streamlining). - provide information on funding sources for sustainable forest management (sourcebook).  Individual CPF members also seek to respond positively to the invitations made in resolutions of specific programme elements of the UNFF. Details are reported in CPF's progress report (CPF Framework) prepared to each UNFF session.					
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Specific criterion for review: <b>(b) Forum for continued policy development and dialogue:</b> <b>(iv) The extent to which progress has been made in reaching a common understanding of forest-related concepts, terminology and definitions</b>					
Remark/synthesis report with illustrative examples: <sup>a</sup>  Technical work over the last few years by many CPF members has gone a long way to foster a common understanding of forest-related concepts, terms and definitions. For example, two expert meetings have been held on harmonization of definitions, organized by FAO in collaboration with IPCC, CIFOR, IUFRO, UNEP and ITTO (a third meeting is planned for in January 2005), as part of CPF's joint initiative on this issue. Furthermore, IUFRO recently developed an online multilingual glossary of carbon-related forest terminology (see <a href="http://www.iufro.org">www.iufro.org</a> ). Definitions are also an integral part of the global Forest Resources Assessment process led by FAO, in collaboration with the UN Economic Commission for Europe, ITTO, the UNEP-World Conservation Monitoring Centre and a number of convention secretariats. However, despite of the catalytic role of UNFF and progress at the technical level, some CPF governing bodies continue to develop their own forest-related definitions, adding to complexity of terms and definitions and in some cases adding to the reporting burden on countries.					
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Specific criterion for review: <b>(c) Cooperation and policy and programme coordination:</b> <b>(i) The extent to which partnerships relevant to the implementation of the IPF/IFF proposals for action have been advanced</b>					
Remark/synthesis report with illustrative examples: <sup>a</sup>  CPF members work in partnership with governments, international organizations, non-governmental groups, the private sector, communities and individuals. CPF members also provide training to advance participatory approaches at the national and local levels. This new breed of partnership arrangements have significantly increased at all levels over the last few years and they are often seen as an effective and efficient way of implementing international commitments and agreements, such as IPF/IFF proposals for action, to concrete action on the ground. CPF members play an important role in many of these new partnerships that have been established over the last few years, including Congo Basin Forest Partnership, Asia Forest Partnership, Global Partnership on Forest Landscape Restoration, Rainforest Challenge Programme and the National Forest Programme Facility.					
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Specific criterion for review: <b>(c) Cooperation and policy and programme coordination:</b> <b>(ii) The extent to which the international arrangement on forests has facilitated and promoted coordination and cooperation among other forest-related organizations, instruments and processes</b>					
Remark/synthesis report with illustrative examples: <sup>a</sup>  Collaborative Partnership on Forests was formed as part of the international arrangement on forests and consists of 14 major forest-related international organizations, institutions and convention secretariats. The CPF provides an informal and effective mechanism for its members to facilitate and promote coordination and cooperation on forest issues. The CPF has embarked on a number of joint initiatives and other collaborative activities between two and more members. In these initiatives and activities, CPF has significantly increased coordination and cooperation among its members. The CPF members meet regularly, share relevant information and have adopted a focal agency system of shared responsibilities. All of this has helped foster synergies and trust among its members.					
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Specific criterion for review:					
<b>(d) International cooperation:</b>					
<b>(i) The extent to which the international community, including bilateral and multilateral donors and organizations, Collaborative Partnership on Forests members and international and regional processes, have facilitated the implementation of IPF/IFF proposals for action in developing countries and countries with economies in transition, inter alia, through the provision of financial, technical and scientific resources and capacity-building</b>					
Remark/synthesis report with illustrative examples: <sup>a</sup>					
Many CPF members provide direct technical assistance and/or scientific advice to countries. A handful of CPF members work directly with and in countries for solutions for increasing financing for forest sector and making forests pay. Some CPF members (GEF, World Bank, FAO and ITTO) provide direct financial support for forest projects. Convention secretariats provide incentives through their work programmes and special mechanisms such as CBD expanded programme of work on forest biological diversity and its access to GEF; Clean Development Mechanism of UNFCCC/Kyoto Protocol; and the Global Mechanism of UNCCD.					
Role of the international arrangement on forests: <sup>b</sup>					
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Specific criterion for review: <b>(d) International cooperation:</b> <b>(ii) The extent to which the international arrangement on forests has promoted efforts by the international community to facilitate the implementation of the IPF/IFF proposals for action through, in particular, North-South cooperation and public-private partnerships, as well as through South-South and North-North cooperation</b>					
Remark/synthesis report with illustrative examples: <sup>a</sup>  The IAF has supported many efforts to implement sustainable forest management (SFM), including beyond the specific focus on IPF/IFF proposals. While there are increasing efforts to support the implementation of the proposals, there are also increasing calls for further action from the UNFF, overwhelming implementing agencies at all levels, especially in developing countries.					
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Specific criterion for review: <b>(e) Monitoring and assessing progress through reporting:</b> <b>(i) The extent to which countries, regions, organizations and processes respond to the call from Forum and Collaborative Partnership on Forests members for voluntary reports, with a focus on the implementation of the IPF/IFF proposals for action</b>					
Remark/synthesis report with illustrative examples: <sup>a</sup>  CPF members seek to respond to all requested reports, to the extent possible. Each year CPF provides the UNFF with a progress report, the CPF Framework, which has a focus on the implementation of the IPF/IFF proposals for action. In an effort to reduce the reporting burden on countries, the CPF set up a Task Force on Streamlining Forest-Related Reporting. Members include FAO, ITTO, UNEP- WCMC and the secretariats of the CBD, UNCCD, UNFCCC and the UNFF. The Task Force has developed an Internet portal that provides easy access to information countries submitted to international forest-related processes. The portal is available in English, French and Spanish at <a href="http://www.fao.org/forestry/cpf-mar">www.fao.org/forestry/cpf-mar</a> . The Task Force has also reviewed current international reporting requirements and processes to identify potential areas to streamline reporting. Building on the portal and the thematic elements of SFM, the Task Force is currently developing a joint CPF Information Framework for Forest Reporting that aims at assisting countries, regions, organizations and processes to respond to forest-related information requests and process the reports, including on commitments and agreements, such as the IPF/IFF proposals for action.  While CPF members (through the CPF task force) are working for technical solutions to facilitate reporting and to reduce reporting request, governments are asked to pay further attention to the information needs of every process and send consistent messages in the governing bodies and to their secretariats, to avoid long questionnaires and overlaps and to encourage the use of existing information. Increased coordination efforts are needed both at the national level (among different ministries) and among CPF members.					
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Specific criterion for review: <b>(e) Monitoring and assessing progress through reporting:</b> <b>(ii) The extent to which trends, lessons learned, emerging issues and actions are identified and become apparent through those voluntary reports</b>					
Remark/synthesis report with illustrative examples: <sup>a</sup>  UNFF country reports increasingly describe trends and lessons learned, although synthesizing and analyzing them is not always easy, especially without clear targets. In addition, the reporting content and formats vary significantly among different processes. In its work on streamlining forest-related reporting, CPF members propose to make country information accessible according to thematic elements of SFM, to facilitate preparation of future reports by countries and to facilitate preparation of syntheses and analyses by the secretariats.					
Role of the international arrangement on forests: <sup>b</sup>					
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Specific criterion for review: <b>(e) Monitoring and assessing progress through reporting:</b> <b>(iii) The extent to which major groups have been encouraged to participate in developing voluntary reports</b>					
Remark/synthesis report with illustrative examples: <sup>a</sup>  All CPF members are supporting the efforts of countries to broaden and deepen the involvement of civil society and other stakeholders in the process of forest policy development, implementation and reporting. Indirectly, and through the CPF Network, the CPF encourages major groups to participate in national efforts of voluntary reporting to UNFF and other bodies.					
Role of the international arrangement on forests: <sup>b</sup>					
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Specific criterion for review: <b>(e) Monitoring and assessing progress through reporting:</b> <b>(iv) The extent to which Collaborative Partnership on Forests members have worked to strengthen countries. abilities to monitor, assess and report progress in the implementation of IPF/IFF proposals for action</b>					
Remark/synthesis report with illustrative examples: <sup>a</sup>  Some CPF members supported the two UNFF country - organization-led initiative related to monitoring, assessment and reporting (MAR), i.e. the International Expert Meeting on MAR on the Progress towards Sustainable Forest Management (November 2001, Yokohama, Japan) and Lessons Learned in MAR on Implementation of IPF/IFF Proposals for Action (March 2003, Viterbo, Italy). The workshops and in-session seminars organized in conjunction with four FAO regional forestry commissions in 2004 provided other venues for country experts to discuss how to assess the relevance of the proposals, implement them and evaluate and report on progress. Capacity building for collection, analysis and dissemination information on SFM is a key component of work by FAO and ITTO.					
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Specific criterion for review: <b>(e) Monitoring and assessing progress through reporting:</b> <b>(v) The extent to which Forum sessions provide opportunities to voluntarily report progress and lessons learned</b>					
Remark/synthesis report with illustrative examples: <sup>a</sup>  The UNFF has provided opportunities for countries, CPF members and major groups to present their voluntary progress reports and to share their lessons learned, both during official meetings and side events at the sessions of the Forum. The intergovernmental policy meetings are often complemented with seminars and workshops that provide a platform for sharing lesson learned. The CPF members deem this type of dialogue to be effective and lead to innovative solutions when held in small groups and/or at the regional or sub regional levels, where countries have more similar conditions.					
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Specific criterion for review: <b>(e) Monitoring and assessing progress through reporting:</b> <b>(vi) The extent to which countries make progress in monitoring, assessment and reporting through, inter alia, applying criteria and indicator processes or similar tools in their efforts to achieve sustainable forest management</b>					
Remark/synthesis report with illustrative examples: <sup>a</sup>  FAO and ITTO helped organize and some other CPF members participated in the International Conference on the Contribution of Criteria and Indicators for Sustainable Forest Management: the way forward (February 2003, Guatemala City, Guatemala). This initiative sought to broaden the understanding and appreciation of criteria and indicators for SFM. From the outcome of this meeting, it is clear that some countries are making effective use of their criteria and indicator process to strengthen the basis for monitoring progress towards SFM, for policy development and for dialogue with multiple stakeholders at the national level. In this regard, some CPF members are actively encouraging and collaborating in the incorporation of criteria and indicators (monitoring and reporting tool) into national forest programmes (implementation mechanism) and as tools for measuring progress towards outcome-oriented sub-targets (e.g., within the framework for assessing progress towards achieving the 2010 global biodiversity target of the CBD). Regional collaboration has strengthened significantly through the nine on-going criteria and indicators processes.					
Role of the international arrangement on forests: <sup>b</sup>					
Overall assessment of the international arrangement on forests	None <input type="checkbox"/>	Limited <input type="checkbox"/>	Moderate <input type="checkbox"/>	High <input type="checkbox"/>	Not applicable <input type="checkbox"/>
Do you quantify this criterion? Answer if appropriate. Quantifiable benchmarks (e.g., goals, criteria and indicators)					
Assessment of the international arrangement on forests according to activities <sup>c</sup>	None	Limited	Moderate	High	Not applicable
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Specific criterion for review: <b>(f) Strengthening political commitment:</b> <b>(i) The extent to which high-level engagement furthers political commitment to the implementation of the IPF/IFF proposals for action by countries</b>					
Remark/synthesis report with illustrative examples: <sup>a</sup>  This question is addressed to countries. However, CPF members are convinced that high-level political commitment is vital and needs to be strengthened to support countries' efforts to achieve sustainable forest management, including through implementation of IPF/IFF proposals for action.					
Role of the international arrangement on forests: <sup>b</sup>					
Overall assessment of the international arrangement on forests	None <input type="checkbox"/>	Limited <input type="checkbox"/>	Moderate <input type="checkbox"/>	High <input type="checkbox"/>	Not applicable <input type="checkbox"/>
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Specific criterion for review: <b>(f) Strengthening political commitment:</b> <b>(ii) The extent to which the international arrangement on forests succeeds in enhancing the positioning of forests on the international agenda</b>					
Remark/synthesis report with illustrative examples: <sup>a</sup>  The international arrangement on forests aims at promoting sustainable management of all types of forests and to strengthen long-term political commitment to this end. UNFF and CPF members have promoted forest issues on the international agenda. Global conferences and summits, such as the Millennium Declaration and the World Summit on Sustainable Development have recognized SFM as integral part of the international agenda.  The alarming rates of deforestation are only one of many pressing issues on the international agenda, including poverty, HIV/AIDS, malnutrition, illiteracy, inequity, peace and human rights. The high-level segment at UNFF 5 represents an opportunity for Ministers responsible for forests and Heads of CPF members to reaffirm their commitment to SFM, build stronger linkages between forests and the internationally agreed development goals and strengthen the international arrangement on forests. This course of action would ensure that forest will remain on the international agenda in the future.					
Role of the international arrangement on forests: <sup>b</sup>					
Overall assessment of the international arrangement on forests	None <input type="checkbox"/>	Limited <input type="checkbox"/>	Moderate <input type="checkbox"/>	High <input type="checkbox"/>	Not applicable <input type="checkbox"/>
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Assessment of the international arrangement on forests according to activities <sup>c</sup>	None	Limited	Moderate	High	Not applicable
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