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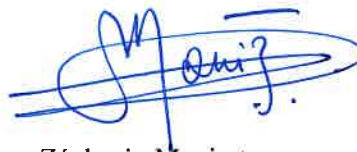
Excellency,

In reference to your letter dated 10 November 2022, I am pleased to enclose herewith the input of the Bureau of the eighteenth session of the UN Forum on Forests (UNFF18) to the forthcoming 2023 session of the High-level Political Forum on Sustainable Development (HLPF) under the auspices of the UN Economic and Social Council and preparations for the September 2023 SDG Summit. The attached input has been prepared, using the template suggested in your letter. The input includes key messages for inclusion into the Political Declaration of the SDG Summit.

I wish to add that UNFF Members will also discuss issues related to the 2023 session of the HLPF and the 2023 SDG Summit during UNFF18 to be convened from 8 to 12 May 2023. Following the conclusion of UNFF18, I will share with you the outcome of the discussions of UNFF18 on this matter.

Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

Sincerely,



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