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Comments from the Republic of Korea regarding various CPM Agenda items

Agenda item 10.2; 11.3.1 and 17

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10.2 - Implementation pilot on surveillance

Rep. of Korea recognizes this pilot as a new and constructive project to focus and coordinate 1. various activities in IPPC for a specific topic to enhance the implementation and agrees the developed work plan.

2. This pilot program in implementation on surveillance was widely supported by the contracting parties in CPM 9 and the strategic work plan was approved in CPM-10 2015. CPM-10 also requested the IPPC secretariat to identify and prioritize specific activities.

Even though the strategic work plan was approved and work plan is developed, it may not be 3. easy to produce visible and handful results in current situation due to lack of resources.

4. The development of general pest surveillance system is a difficult task for every countries because plant pest is very diverse and complicate. Therefore Rep. of Korea suggests to develop more focused and practical plan with a few selected pest which are spreading currently and has big potential impact on agriculture and trade, in the area of national reporting obligation, communication, urgent measures for outbreak, development of diagnostic and surveillance material etc. with more participation of contracting parties or RPPOs rather than heavy involvement of IPPC secretariat.

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5. According to the work plan, 2016 is preparatory phase and from 2017 is implementation phase. To achieve strategic direction especially 'exploration of options to encourage national and regional-level participation and to take ownership for actions and results', Rep. of Korea proposes to establish a small working group to set the detail plan. If a working group is approved Rep. of Korea is willing to participate.

6. Again Rep. of Korea wishes that this creative promising pilot project has fruitful and handful results for further development in IPPC.

Agenda 11.3.1 - 2015 Financial Report

7. It is pleasure to inform CPM that Rep. of Korea continues to contribute approx. 135,000 USD as multi-donor trust fund in 2016.

8. NPPO of Rep. of Korea successfully includes this contribution in the government regular annual budget line in Korea.

9. With these efforts, I hope the contribution to IPPC becomes more sustainable even though the government budget should be approved annually.

10. Due to increased activities of IPPC despite similar level of FAO regular budget, increased trust fund from member countries and other organizations are crucial. At the same time Rep. of Korea would like to congratulate the Secretariat and the Financial Committee to improve the financial report. I believe transparent financial management and report are essential to solicit the financial contribution.

11. Rep. of Korea would like to encourage countries to consider more increased and sustainable financial and in-kind contribution and encourage the Secretariat for more active and coordinated resource mobilization efforts.

Agenda 17 - Date and venue of the next CPM Session

12. It is my great honor to propose to the CPM that the Animal and Plant Quarantine Agency (QIA), Rep. of Korea has an intention to host the 12th Session of Commission on Phytosanitary Measures in 2017 in the Rep. of KOREA with approval of the Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural affairs(MAFRA) of Korea.

13. This proposal has been discussed in the Bureau with the Secretariat and has briefly introduced in many IPPC meetings such as SPG, TC-RPPOs, regional workshops and ePhyto global symposium etc.

14. The tentative venue is Incheon, Korea and proposed date is from 5 to 11. April 2017.

15. I believe hosting CPM outside the FAO headquarters in Rome has many benefits and it is meaningful but at the same time there may be some challenges to the Secretariat, Korean NPPO and contracting parties.

16. With support from CPM, Rep. of KOREA will do our best to host successful CPM in 2017.