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Thanks, Madame Co- Chair

I am speaking on behalf of the CBD Women's Caucus.

Indigenous and local women are rightful educators, creators, holders of specialized knowledge. This should strongly and explicitly be referenced in the updated draft knowledge management component of the GBF.

We welcome the updated draft and would like to make suggestions in the **Recommendations section**:

- 1) **In paragraph 2 to add “including indigenous and local women”** after the reference to indigenous peoples and local communities
- 2) **To add a new paragraph as follows “Invites the Technical and Scientific Cooperation Advisory Group to engage in extended dialogues, cooperation and mutual learning with indigenous peoples and local communities networks, including indigenous and local women, for deeper understanding of traditional knowledge, management, and protection of rightful knowledge holders”.**
- 3) **To add a new paragraph as follows: “Requests the Secretariat to facilitate engagement of Parties with the WIPO Intergovernmental Committee on Intellectual Property and Genetic Resources, Traditional Knowledge and Folklore (IGC) to ensure the protection of traditional knowledge and traditional knowledge holders in line with the KM-GBF.”**

In the ANNEX,

- 1) Under section III, Principles, to align language, and add references as needed, following Section C of the GBF, and in subsequent sections as relevant.

2) Under section IV, Purpose, we propose adding an additional paragraph:

(e)bis Increasing the consideration of diverse sources of knowledge and data, and enhancing documentation and the multiple-evidence base approach as appropriate, to support effective and equitable governance, integrated and participatory management of biodiversity, and to strengthen communication, awareness-raising, education, monitoring, research

We would like to ask for the support of the Parties to these relevant amendments.

Thanks,

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