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Item 13: Global multilateral benefit-sharing mechanism (Article 10 of the Nagoya Protocol)

I am speaking on behalf of the CBD Women Caucus

As an overall reflection, we encourage Parties to give due considerations to support full, meaningful and effective participation of women. In the building process of this new instrument, as such we have one concrete recommendation.

CBD/SBI/3/15, Annex
Para 3, (c) at the end ADD “and women.”

Annex

TERMS OF REFERENCE OF THE AD HOC TECHNICAL EXPERT GROUP ON A GLOBAL MULTILATERAL BENEFIT-SHARING MECHANISM

3. The Ad Hoc Technical Expert Group shall:
   (b) Include experts selected on the basis of their expertise on the issues under consideration, and participants representing indigenous peoples and local communities and women;

This recommendation is put forward to ensure that women have a seat in such discussions that may have an impact on how policies are shaped and how their, gender specific perspectives could feed into a Global Multilateral Benefit Sharing Mechanism that addresses their access to fair and equitable sharing of benefits derived from the utilization of genetic resources and their traditional knowledge associated with genetic resources that occur in transboundary situations.

We look for Party support for our recommendations.

Thank you, Chair.

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