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### Written Correspondence Procedure – Secretariat responses

<b>ERC Document reference</b>	<b>Secretariat response</b>
ERC/20/INF/11	<p>The Secretariat well notes Norway’s proposal to include two additional items in paragraph 26 in doc. ERC/20/INF/11 in the said resolution recognizing the importance of access to genetic resources for food and agriculture and support the work on international biodiversity agreements under the auspices of FAO, such as the ITPGRFA and IPPC, as well as the CGRFA in the region.</p> <p>The Secretariat recognizes the relevance of informing about the ITPGRFA to countries in the region that not yet has ratified it and providing support in the implementation of the Treaty to countries in the regions that are Contracting Parties.</p> <p>In response to the second suggested item of Norway’s on supporting countries in the region in addressing priority activities as identified in the sectoral Global Plan of Actions developed by the Commission on Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture, the Secretariat recognizes the importance to provide support to the countries in the region to create an efficient system for the conservation and sustainable use of genetic resources for food and agriculture.</p>