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Geneva, 26 July 2010

Dear Sir/Madam,

You may recall that at its 30th Session (Antalya, Turkey in April 2009) the Panel decided to prepare a Special Report on Managing the Risks of Extreme Events and Disasters to Advance Climate Change Adaptation (SREX).

I have the honour to inform you of the availability of the First Order Draft (FOD) of this report. According to IPCC procedures for preparing IPCC report, "the first draft reports should be sent to Government Focal Points, for information, along with a list of those to whom the report has been sent for review in that country."

The draft report is accessible via the IPCC Working Group II web site at:

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Users must complete a registration and certification procedure to be granted access to the review site via a unique username/password pair. I encourage you to register to obtain the credentials needed to gain access. Under the Review Instructions heading, you will find a link to a dynamically built table that lists all registered experts (name, institution and citizenship). Also, for your reference, I attach a list of the 629 experts who have been contacted and requested to provide a review of the draft document in whole or in part. After consulting the list of targeted reviewers, if you feel that a particular expert from your country has been overlooked, please feel free to forward the above URL and log-in details so that he/she may register to participate. The draft chapters themselves remain secure should this static information be distributed.

Please note that this is a confidential document that must not be distributed, cited or quoted. Do not download the report and re-post elsewhere for access by national experts, unless appropriate safeguards are taken. The expert review period starts today (Monday), 26 July 2010, and ends on Monday, 20 September 2010, 5:00 p.m. PST.

For your information the government review period will be from 7 February to 1 April 2011.

A copy of this letter is being sent to the Ministry for Foreign Affairs of your country for information.

Yours sincerely,



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Secretary of the IPCC