



NOTIFICATION

**Invitation to update previous submissions on best practices/asures of implementing Article 9 of
the International Treaty,
or
submit views, experiences and best practices as examples of possible options for national
implementation of Article 9 of the International Treaty**

Dear Madam/Sir,

I have the honour to draw your attention to the outcomes of the [First Meeting of the Ad Hoc Technical Expert Group](#) on Farmers' Rights, held from 11-14 September 2018 and to further actions required to prepare for the second meeting. You will recall that the Governing Body had, at its Seventh Session, requested the Expert Group to produce an inventory of national measures that may be adopted, best practices and lessons learned from the realization of Farmers' Rights, as set out in Article 9 of the International Treaty.

At its first meeting, the Expert Group considered possible structure of the inventory based on a number of proposals made by members, agreed to utilize a Template for the purpose of collecting and collating examples of best practices and measures of implementing Farmers' Rights.

The Expert Group requested the Secretariat to insert the information received on national measures, practices and examples into the structure of the inventory as well as in the Template. However, the information so far received vary widely in nature and level of detail provided and, as a result, the Secretariat requires more information from the Contracting Parties and Stakeholders who made these submissions.

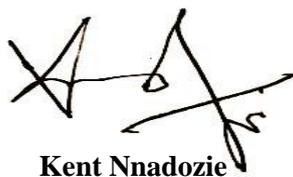
Therefore, the purpose of this notification is to request Contracting Parties and relevant stakeholders to update their submissions using the [Template](#) agreed to by the Expert Group. Furthermore, Contracting Parties and relevant stakeholders who could not make any submissions previously are also invited to submit their views, best practices and measures for implementing Farmers' Rights so that these may be included in the inventory.

To facilitate the timely consolidation of such inputs for the consideration of the Ad Hoc Technical Expert Group on its second meeting in May 2019, I would appreciate receiving such information by 20 January 2019 at PGRFA-Treaty@fao.org.

For any query or request for further information, please contact the Secretariat of the International Treaty at PGRFA-Treaty@fao.org.



Please accept, Madam/Sir, the assurance of my highest consideration.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Kent Nnadozie', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Kent Nnadozie

Secretary

International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources
for Food and Agriculture