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NOTIFICATION

Compliance – Update of the Online Reporting System and invitation to submit national reports and inputs

Dear Madam/Sir,

I have the honour to draw your attention to [Resolution 7/2019, Compliance](#), by which the Governing Body approved the revised Standard Reporting Format and requested the Secretary to update the Online Reporting System accordingly, and to continue assisting Contracting Parties during the second reporting cycle.

I am pleased to inform you that the Secretariat has incorporated the requested changes in the Online Reporting System for the second reporting cycle and further improved the System, which make navigation and submissions easier.

The [Compliance Procedures](#) establish that each Contracting Parties shall submit a national report on the measures it has taken to implement the International Treaty at least once every five years. As of today, the Governing Body has received 57 reports from Contracting Parties.

At the Eighth Session, the Governing Body invited Contracting Parties to continue submitting and updating their reports, pursuant to Section V of the *Compliance Procedures* and urged those Contracting Parties which had not yet done so to submit their reports as soon as possible. It emphasized, in this context, that the second reports be submitted by **1 October 2023** and requested the Secretary to send regular reminders to Contracting Parties. Please note that the Secretariat has put a brief guide on [how to report](#) on the website of the International Treaty, with links to relevant information material.

In Resolution 7/2009, the Governing Body also encouraged Contracting Parties to submit technical questions on the implementation of the International Treaty, for the consideration of the Compliance Committee. These questions, which can be submitted at any time, could relate to the review of compliance with the International Treaty, as well as on its binding obligations.

Contracting Parties can also submit inputs on the review of the [Compliance Procedures](#), to be considered by the Compliance Committee at its next meeting.

For any questions or request for additional information, please contact the Secretary by email at PGRFA-Treaty@fao.org.

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

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Secretary

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