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Ms Margarita Flores Secretary, Committee on World Food Security FAO Via delle Terme di Caracalla 00100 Rome Italy

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Dear Ms Flores,

I acknowledge receipt of your correspondence ref. G/ESA-3 of 17 October 2005 requesting reporting on actions taken and progress made towards the achievement of the Commitments set up by the World Food Summit Plan of Action.

Although not reporting as a country, I am pleased to inform you that the <u>UN Decade of Education for Sustainable Development</u>, for which UNESCO is the lead agency, is one of the most important programs contributing to the WFS Plan of Action. The UNDESD promotes the reorientation of education toward a process of mobilizing minds and communities in the struggle for sustainable development. This vision of education addresses the complexity and interconnectedness of problems such as poverty, environmental degradation, urban decay, gender equality, and health. It builds on basic education to develop curriculum around a balanced and holistic range of objectives to empower people of all ages to assume responsibility for creating a sustainable future.

Yours sincerely,

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