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Dear Mr. Nbou and Mr. Nummelin,

Thank you for your letter dated, 13 June 2017. Let me begin by extending the appreciation of the Consultative Group of Experts on National Communications from Parties not included in

Annex I to the Convention (CGE) to the Paris Committee on Capacity-Building (PCCB) for reaching out and engaging closely with the CGE. I also wish to, on behalf of the CGE, extend my gratitude to the PCCB for providing opportunity to the CGE to attend and contribute to your first meeting. The CGE found the information on the work programme of the PCCB to be useful. The group is of the view that the PCCB has an important role in addressing the need for synergies and collaboration amongst the various constituted bodies and expert groups under the Convention.

Considering this the CGE welcomes the opportunity to respond to the call for submission by the PCCB. The submission from the CGE is in the annex to this letter.

In the same spirit of information sharing and collaboration, I wish to inform you that the CGE, at its eighteenth meeting held in Bonn from 14 to 16 February 2017, updated its work plan for 2017, and is available here < http://unfccc.int/2608.php>. The CGE will hold its next meeting from 21 to 22 September, 2017 and will be discussing its collaboration with the PCCB. The CGE is happy to engage with Ms. Jennifer Hanna, Mr. Mahawan Kuruniasa and Ms. Renilde Ndayishimiye, to explore and identify the opportunities for collaboration in concrete terms on this as well as other areas of the respective workplans.

As a follow-up to the request by the PCCB, the CGE has prepared a submission (included in the annex) on the following topics:

- 1. Information or suggestions of relevance to the PCCB mandates related to the capacity-building work of bodies established under the Convention
- 2. Information and suggestions regarding the web-based capacity-building portal

The CGE looks forward to a fruitful collaboration.

Yours sincerely,

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