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Subject: **Views on issues relating to agriculture under the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice**

Dear Sir,

Reference to outcome of the work of the Ad Hoc Working Group on Long-term Cooperative Action under the Convention of COP17 (part D agricultural section Paragraph 75), In my position as the National Focal Point for UNFCCC, I would like to attach a copy of the Islamic Republic of Iran's views on issues relating to agriculture under the subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice. It would be appreciated if the attached view is placed on the UNFCCC website.

Yours Sincerely

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Submission from the Islamic Republic of Iran

1-Iran (Islamic Republic of) recognizes the key role of agriculture sector in job creation, reducing poverty and ensuring food security in developing countries.

2- Agriculture sector is one of the most vulnerable sectors to the impacts of climate change. Any Changes in climate parameters such as temperature and rainfall has a direct effect on agricultural production particularly in developing country situated in arid and semi arid region of world. Reduction in agricultural productivity will undermine food security in these countries.

3- Adaptation to adverse effect of climate change in Agriculture sector is prior to other issues for developing countries, so it should be considered in preparing and developing national adaptation plan. Bearing in mind the enormous costs of the implementation of adaptation plans, it is necessary to ensure that sufficient resources will be provided for developing countries.

4- The term of Climate-Smart Agriculture should be clearly defined and formulated. It is suggested to classify the measures and practices based on climatic characteristics of regions and countries.

5- For preparing and development of framework for agriculture, all related sub sectors like soil& water, livestock, fisheries, horticulture, agro forestry and range management should be considered

6- Establishment of special mechanism for the innovation, development and transfer as well as dissemination of agricultural technologies in reducing emissions and adapting to adverse effect of climate change is recommended.

7- Sufficient, predictable, additional and timely financial resources should be provided by Green climate fund and other sources (public & private) for implementation adaptation measures in developing countries.