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This submission offers views on guidance requested by the Subsidiary Body on Scientific and Technological Advice (SBSTA) regarding part (b) of Annex II to decision 1/CP.16 on modalities relating to paragraphs 71 (b) and (c), and guidance relating to paragraph 71 (d) of the decision. The Center for International Environmental Law wishes to supplement its contributions to submissions by the Climate Action Network and Global Witness *et al*, regarding (1) guidance on a system for providing information on how REDD+ safeguards are addressed and respected and (2) guidance on modalities for measuring, reporting and verifying, as follows:

1. To minimize reporting burdens on Parties and utilize existing information, the **Secretariat should compile information received from non-Parties to supplement information submitted by Parties.** For example, information related to emissions displacement could be submitted by the UN Food and Agricultural Organization, information regarding biodiversity and REDD safeguards could be submitted by the Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity, information regarding impacts to project-specific activities could be submitted by project proponents and local communities, and information regarding the rights of indigenous peoples could be submitted by the UN Special Rapporteur on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples.
2. Two percent of REDD+ funding should be designated to support the safeguard information system in order to ensure adequate and predictable funding. The funding could be used to support, *inter alia*, the administrative costs of an international information sharing system, document translation to ensure broad access to information, a grievance mechanism, and capacity building at the national level.

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