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Dear Sir or Madam,

Mountain ecosystems are particularly affected by the impact of climate change. Some of the most evident indicators of climate change come from mountain areas, such as the extensive retreat of glaciers that has been observed from polar to tropical regions in recent decades, the increasing number of disasters and the expanding desertification processes, just to name a few.

Therefore, as specified in the Decision 6/CP.17 of SBSTA, in which Parties and relevant organizations are invited to submit to the Secretariat, by 17 September 2012, their views on potential future areas of work of the Nairobi work programme, on behalf of the Consortium for the Sustainable Development of the Andean Ecoregion - CONDESAN it is proposed to establish an area of work on "mountains and climate change" in view of the special attention needed by mountain ecosystems to adapt to the effect of climate change. Mountains provide vital goods and services to more than half of the world's population but they are fragile ecosystems that require specific protection and management.

Yours faithfully,

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