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RE: Submission of Views on Potential Future Areas of Work of The Nairobi Work Programme - Request by UNISON For a Work Area on 'Mountains and Climate Change'

Dear Sir/Madam,

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 Civic Foundation "UNISON" hereby proposes that an area of work at the global level on "mountains and climate change" is established in view of the special attention needed by mountain ecosystems and communities to adapt to the effects 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.

We thank you for this opportunity to raise this important issue.

Yours sincerely,

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