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Views from Chile on potential future areas of work of the Nairobi work programme

As specified in 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, the Government of Chile proposes to establish an area of work on "Mountains and Climate Change" in light of the special attention needed by mountain ecosystems to adapt to the effects of climate change. In this connection, we would be particularly interested in collecting, analyzing and disseminating information on past and current practical adaptation through communication and collaboration at the national and international level. We are of the view that 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.