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Dear colleagues,

Drea Burbank has called my attention to the opportunity to provide input to the issues covered in the fourteenth meeting of this body.

I echo her position that indigenous voices and rights are central to successful climate action. Not only are indigenous nations sovereign nations, they uniquely possess the expertise to regenerate the planet and preserve the standards of life we enjoy in the developed world and hope to extend into developing nations as well. It is essential that the rights of indigenous nations are recognized and respected, to achieve the many goals that lay before our global community in the coming years.

This includes international rights under UNDRIP (2007) to engage freely in economic activities (Article 20), to pursue economic development (Articles 21 & 23), and to exercise rights to own, use, develop and control their lands, territories and resources (Article 26). This establishes a right of Indigenous nations to trade directly, or abstain from trading, under Article 6 of the Paris Agreement, as the rightful owners of mitigation outcomes that occur on their territories.

These topics are material to SDG 16 and must be respected by the international community.

Regards,
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