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ANNOUNCEMENT

Joint UNECE/FAO Roundtable on Trade, Environment and Forests – Working Together for Sustainable Development Palais des Nations, 9 July 2003

The United Nations Economic Commission for Europe and the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations will convene a Roundtable Meeting on Trade, Environment and Forests on the theme: *Working Together for Sustainable Development*.

The Roundtable aims to provide a forum, in an informal setting, for information exchange on current and relevant issues in the forestry, environment and trade sectors. Representatives of Member States and observers, inter-governmental organizations, non-governmental organizations and other entities involved in the forestry, environment and trade sectors are invited.

The key issues to be discussed, all from both a public and private perspective, will be:

Recent Trends and Policy Development

- (i) Trade Liberalisation and Forest Products Trade
- (ii) Forest-related Multilateral Environmental Agreements (MEAs) and Current Policy Debates in WTO
- (iii) Forest and Forest Products Certification

Impacts of Trade in Forest Products and Services

- (i) Trade, Rural Poverty and the Environment
- (ii) Markets for Forest Environmental Services
- (iii) Private Sector Perspectives on Developments of Trade in Forest Products and Services

The Roundtable will take place in Geneva at the Palais des Nations, Salle V, on 9 July 2003 from 10.00 –13.00 and 14.30-17.30. There will be simultaneous interpretation in English, French, Russian and Spanish.

Should you or your organization wish to participate in the event, please provide us the name(s) of those who would like to attend, by completing the back of this page.

An information note on the Roundtable, together with a provisional agenda will be sent to those who signified their intention to attend, by mail or e-mail, in due course. The meeting will be followed by a reception, at the Palais des Nations, to which all participants are cordially invited. Details will be communicated to all invitees.

We look forward to your participation in the Roundtable .

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This is to signify our interest to participate in the above-stated Roundtable. Please send us an invitation and other relevant documents concerning the event.

Name (Surname): _____

Firstname: _____

Name of organization: _____

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Kindly send the duly filled-up form and other enquiries concerning the Roundtable to either of the following contact persons:

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