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Agenda Item 5.2

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## **DECISION 2-I-18R**

### **Admission of Observer**

The Assembly of the Asian Forest Cooperation Organization (AFoCO),

*With reference* to Paragraph 1 of Article 6 of the Agreement on the Establishment of AFoCO and Rule 6 of the Rules of Procedures of the Assembly;

*Acknowledging* the signing of the Agreement by Indonesia, Lao PDR, Mongolia, and the Philippines, and respective domestic procedures in progress for the ratification, approval, or acceptance of the Agreement;

*Noting on* the intentions of Kazakhstan, Singapore, and Thailand and their involvement and contribution to the adoption of the Agreement on the Establishment of AFoCO;

*Decides to :*

1. Approve Observer status to Indonesia, Lao PDR, Mongolia, the Philippines, Kazakhstan, Singapore, and Thailand for a period of five years commencing from the date of approval;
  2. Task the Secretariat to prepare the list of Observers to AFoCO which will be maintained on AFoCO's website; and
  3. Further task the Secretariat will notify the Observers and facilitate activities of an Observer in accordance with Rule 6.3 and Rule 6.4 of the Rules of Procedure of the Assembly.
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