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Progress of Other Follow-up Actions on the Decisions of the Assembly

1. The progress of follow-up actions on the decisions of the Assembly is as follows:

Membership

2. The Philippines deposited the instrument of ratification on 20 February 2019. Effective from 22 March 2019, the Philippines has become the Party to AFoCO. Following the Decision 2-I-18R, the Secretariat is maintaining the status of Parties and Observers in the website.

Transition of the Interim Secretariat into AFoCO Secretariat

- 3. Following the Article 18 of the Agreement, the Secretariat duly received the functions of Depositary and the copies of instruments of ratification, acceptance or approval of the Agreement.
- 4. Upon the notification on the transition arrangements, all concerned participating countries confirmed the transition of the management of on-going projects.

Operation and Management of Regional Education and Training Center (RETC)

5. Following the Decision 9-I-18R, the draft text of the Host Country Agreement was proposed to the Myanmar side. The Government of Myanmar is undertaking its internal process.

AFoCO Fellowship Program

6. Following the Decision 11-I-18R, the officials are considered and selected for the 2019 program and 2020 program of the Fellowship Program as listed below.

Batch	Full Name	Country
2019	Ms. Kemly Ouch	Cambodia
	Mr. Nguyen Xuan Huu	Viet Nam
	Ms. Thet Myat Yadanar Aye	Myanmar
	Ms. Kinley Dem	Bhutan
2020	Mr. Vireak Chhorn	Cambodia
	Mr. Nguyen Duy Vuong	Viet Nam
	Mr. Lhab Tshering	Bhutan

Headquarters Agreement between the Republic of Korea and AFoCO

7. The Secretariat has officially proposed the draft text of the Headquarters Agreement between the Republic of Korea and AFoCO to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Korea. The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Korea is undertaking the internal process.

Contribution from the Parties

8. The Secretariat has received in-cash contributions from Bhutan and Korea. The Secretariat received the In-Kind Match Request Form from Myanmar.

Collaborative activities with other organizations in 2019

- 12. The Secretariat is participating at the Asia Pacific Forestry Week 2019 as a co-stream leader for stream 1: Restoring Our Forests and Landscapes. The stream co-leaders are the Asia-Pacific Network for Sustainable Forest Management and Rehabilitation (APFNet) and the Pacific Community (SPC).
- 13. The Secretariat provided inputs and contributions to the Asia-Pacific Forest Sector Outlook Study III regarding the current state of forest environmental services in the member countries. The publication will be launched at the Asia-Pacific Forestry Week 2019.
- 14. The Secretariat has organized two rounds of the Global Forest Camp for children of multicultural families in Korea on 12-15 February with 28 boys and 17 girls (45 students), and on 21-24 February with 53 boys and 31 girls (84 students). The third and fourth rounds will be organized in August 2019.

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