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Dear ,

Report of the Working Group Meeting on the Procedures for Finance, Administration and Planning for the Asia and Pacific Plant Protection Commission (APPPC)
21-23 July 2008, Bangkok, Thailand

As you may have been aware that the Working Group Meeting on the Procedures for Finance, Administration and Planning for the Asia and Pacific Plant Protection Commission (APPPC) was held recently in Bangkok, Thailand, in order to prepare arrangement for coming into force of the 1983 amendments concerning mandatory contribution for funding the Commission.

During the meeting, the APPPC working group had to attend to various administrative duties to set up the following systems:

- levels of contributions from members that have accepted the amendments
- an appropriate trust fund
- administration procedures associated with the trust fund for the admission and expenditure of funds.

Providing that these arrangements must meet the legal requirements of the agreement and its amendments; be in line with the legal and accounting rules of FAO; and provide an efficient and flexible fund management system for APPPC members. This topic will be discussed again at the 26th Session of the APPPC in India.

In this light, I am pleased to attach the meeting report, prepared by the working group, for your kind information and consideration, and the Plant Protection Agreement for the Asia and Pacific Region for your ease reference.

I look forward to receiving your positive response and continued support.

Yours sincerely,

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