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Dear IPBES Member States and Observers,

I would like to let you know that the deadline for comments has been extended by one week and is now 18 July 2016 for the external review of the First Order Drafts of:

- the IPBES thematic assessment on land degradation and restoration (Deliverable 3bi) and
- the four regional assessments (Africa, Asia Pacific, Americas, Europe and Central Asia) on biodiversity and ecosystem services (Deliverable 2b).

As a reminder, expert reviewers are requested to register to review one or more chapters of one or more assessments. Interested reviewers are requested to fill the registration form available here: http://www.ipbes.net/registration-review-first-order-drafts-ipbes-assessments. Please note that access to this form requires you to have an account on the IPBES website. If you do not have one, you will be invited to create an account in a few easy steps on the registration form above. Please contact Benedict Omare (benedict.aboki.omare@ipbes.net) if you encounter any difficulties.

Once your registration has been successfully received, the secretariat will review it and grant you access to the draft chapters located at http://www.ipbes.net/fod-assessments within 48hrs. Additional information about this call for comments is contained in my letter of 30 May 2016 (EM/2016/31).

We look forward to your comments, and to your continued support for the implementation of our ambitious work programme.

With very best regards,

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Executive Secretary