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Dear Dr Lysaght:

[Name of country] wishes to become a Voting Participant in the Global Biodiversity Information Facility (GBIF). We designate the following entity under our jurisdiction to sign the GBIF Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) and to represent the country on the GBIF Governing Board:

[name of relevant ministry, agency, etc.]

Please send a copy of the MoU for signature to the following address:

[name and postal address of the contact person]

We confirm [the country] agrees in principle with the non-binding intentions listed in the MoU, in particular to establish a Participant Node, to encourage free and open access and use of biodiversity data, and to participate actively in the implementation of the GBIF Work Programme.

As a prospective Voting Participant, we express our willingness to make a financial contribution to GBIF as outlined in Paragraph 9 of the MoU, and to establish the details in a financial arrangement with the Secretariat. We understand that the suggested basic financial annual contribution for [the country], stated in Euros, is as follows:

[For year xxxx: €x; for year xxxx: €x; for year xxxx: €x]1

Yours sincerely,

Please refer all correspondence to: [contact person], email, phone and fax number.