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On behalf of the Ărramăt Project for Biodiversity Conservation and the Health and Well-being of Indigenous Peoples and the Tin Hinan Association, we congratulate the Chiar for his appointment and all the experts for their tireless work to promote the rights of Indigenous Peoples. We also extend our acknowledgement to the work of the secretariat of the Permanent Forum and the UN secretariat.

We appreciate this opportunity to provide some recommendations toward improving the future work for the forum.

They are:

- To ensure the procedures and processes for participating in the UNPFII are more transparent, inclusive and equitable, we invite the forum to ensure the speakers list is finalized and made public ahead of the annual session, and that the order is respected for all the participants including Indigenous organizations, Member States, UN agencies, funds and programmes, etc.
- We support Kenneth Deer's statement: we have to increase the participation of Indigenous Peoples at the UN, including in our own forum. In that regard, we call on the forum to come back to the 3 hours sessions and to consider opening more sessions during the second week for Indigenous Peoples.
- We also invite the forum to give space for the world Indigenous Peoples' ceremonies and protocols in both the opening and closing ceremonies, this will be more welcoming to people and open a healing space as some of us by bringing issues are at risk here to be re-traumatized.