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General debate on the implementation of the Convention by stakeholders,  
Conference of the Parties to the 2005 Convention on the Protection and  
Promotion of the Diversity of Cultural Expressions

Point 11: Quadriennal reports

The IFCCD would like to highlight the work done towards a new framework for  
the preparation and submission of periodic reports based on the new  
monitoring framework of the 2005 Convention.

In particular, the new means of verification that will apply to trade  
negotiations will take into account cultural clauses in trade agreements. They  
are found under objective 2 of the Convention's monitoring framework. This is  
a fundamental aspect that we highlighted in the IFCCD report that we  
submitted to the secretariat and that is available on the Convention's website.

We also recognize the difficulty of obtaining cultural data and statistics. While  
there is a need to increase collaboration with researchers and institutes to  
occur more data, it seems very important to us that the parties collaborate at  
the global level on this issue and adapt national legislation to enable data  
collection in the digital universe.

Finally, we stress the importance of working with civil society in the reports  
and commend those parties that integrate civil society input into their  
reports.