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Dear CFS Chair,

Thank you for the opportunity to provide written feedback on the CFS MYPoW mid-term review. We commend the development of the CFS communication strategy and appreciate the Chairperson's role in advocating for the use of CFS policy products. We also welcome the dedicated plenary discussions on progress, challenges, and opportunities to enhance the use of CFS policy products at all levels.

During the discussions leading to the definition of the MYPoW, many constituencies, including ours, emphasized the need to streamline and prioritize a smaller number of workstreams and activities. This would facilitate meaningful participation from all stakeholders and delegations while ensuring more effective resource allocation. While we recognize the ambition of the current program, we believe there is still room for further prioritization.

We strongly support efforts to enhance the uptake of CFS products and consider the following elements crucial for improving visibility, engagement, and impact: (i) outreach and awareness to improve CFS visibility, (ii) the preparation of an uptake toolkit providing indications on how interested stakeholders can promote the use of CFS policy products; (iii) setting-up a digital repository on the use of CFS policy products at all levels; (iv) mapping of existing national and regional multistakeholder platforms in the field of food security and nutrition; and (v) a compilation by the HLPE-FSN of key elements from CFS policy products to identify gaps and guide future actions towards the progressive realization of the right to adequate food and the transformation of agriculture and food systems.

While we acknowledge the importance of these initiatives, we have concerns regarding the proportionality of budget allocation. Specifically, we question the justification for budget line A.3.1, which is the single largest budget item. Additionally, we would like to highlight a potential imbalance in financial allocations for resource mobilization, as Budget Line B.1 only allocates \$50,000–\$100,000 for this critical function.

Ultimately, we believe the key challenge is to identify the most effective formats and activities that will maximize the value of CFS for the global community.

We remain fully committed to supporting this process and are available for any further clarifications.

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