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NOTIFICATION

Subject: Asunción Declaration of the Parties to the IAI and its Associates on Water Security, Biodiversity, and Climate Resilience in the Americas

Dear Madam or Sir,

I am pleased to share the final text of the Asunción Declaration of the Parties to the IAI and its Associates on Water Security, Biodiversity, and Climate Resilience in the Americas, which was presented for endorsement during the meeting of the Conference of the Parties (CoP-33), held in Asunción, Paraguay, 29-30 May 2025.

This declaration reflects the shared commitment of IAI Parties and Associates to advance scientific collaboration and policy action at the nexus of water security, biodiversity, and climate resilience. It has been informed by continuous work and dialogue among the Parties and Associates, and was further discussed during the workshop "Science Diplomacy for Drought Management in the Agricultural, Energy, and River Transport Sectors" and the side event "Droughts in the Americas: Regional Priorities, Early Warning Systems, and Sustainable Development", which took place on 26-27 May and 28 May, respectively, prior to CoP-33.

The IAI Directorate thanks all Parties, Associates, and members of the Scientific Advisory Committee, Science Policy Advisory Committee, and the Indigenous People Advisory Committee who made contributions. The declaration reaffirms key principles of the IAI, such as scientific excellence, open data sharing, cooperation across sectors, and regional governance. In alignment with Theme 2 of the IAI's Scientific Agenda, the Declaration outlines actionable commitments toward integrated, science-informed responses to the risks of weather-related extreme events.

The Declaration was adopted at COP-33 on 30 May 2025. Please find the document enclosed.

Please accept, Madam/Sir, the assurances of my highest consideration.

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