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Dear Colleague,

I would like to express my deepest appreciation for your participation in our side event at COP22, the "International Agricultural Research Cooperation for Climate Change - Follow-up side event of G7 Niigata Agriculture Ministers' Meeting at the COP22, UN Climate Change Conference 2016", which was held on 10th November.

It was very meaningful and useful for agricultural administration officers and researchers in charge of the climate change to exchange views with the four initiatives together. It was also a great honour for me to fulfill our commitment of the "G7 Niigata Agriculture Ministers' Meeting Declaration (paragraph13)" by taking this opportunity with all of your contributions in the meeting.

Attached is the Chairs' Summary of the side event. As stated in this summary, it is valuable for us to continue presentation of results and exchanges of views between initiatives and fostering the synergies between the four initiatives. From this point of view, it is a good opportunity for all of us to continue to exchange views on the agricultural research activities associated with climate change in a concerted manner, in particular, in the next GRA Council meeting to be held in Japan next year.

I wish you continued good health and prosperity, and I am looking forward to meeting you again in the near future.

Yours sincerely,

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