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Mr Kent Nnadozie is the Secretary, *ad interim*, of the International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture. A lawyer by training, Mr Nnadozie holds a Doctor of Civil Law (PhD) degree from the McGill University, Montreal, Canada with a focus on the international relations and international legal systemic issues regarding genetic resources. Mr Nnadozie also has a Master degree in Business Administration (MBA).

During the last ten years, he has had extensive experience working for FAO on legal and policy matters and procedures, with the International Treaty, and the Commission for Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture. Prior to his appointment as Secretary, *a.i.*, he was the Senior Officer of the Treaty, coordinating various technical areas of the Programme of Work of the Secretariat and promoting closer cooperation and synergies with international organizations, especially the biodiversity-related Conventions.

Before joining FAO, Mr Nnadozie was in private legal practice and also consulted widely for various international organisations, non-governmental organizations and other institutions on environmental law, as well as policy and legal issues in agriculture and has extensive practical experience working with related international processes and legal instruments, including legal drafting, implementation, legal support, research and analysis.