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International Day of Forests: Defining Forests by their true meaning!

Dear friends,

On behalf of La Via Campesina, Friends of the Earth International, Focus on the Global South and the World Rainforest Movement we are writing to ask for your support.

The United Nations (UN) has declared March 21st as the International Day of Forests. For us a good reason to send once again [a letter urging the Food and Agriculture Organization \(FAO\) of the UN to review its present definition of forests](#), that mainly benefits the interests of the timber, pulp and paper and rubber industries.

~~We are inviting FAO to take the initiative to reconsider the present misleading definition. This would be in line with the FAO's own definition of forests as land used for agriculture, and not for timber production by industrial plantations, falsey called forests by the logging companies.~~

~~If your organization would like to send your name, organization and country to laoc@vcm.org.uk Deadline is MARCH 20, 16h30 GMT.~~

Best regards,

La Via Campesina
Friends of the Earth International
Focus on the Global South
World Rainforest Movement