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Conservation International (CI) is an international, nonprofit organization based in Washington, DC. CI believes that the Earth's natural heritage must be maintained if future generations are to thrive spiritually, culturally and economically. Our mission is to conserve the Earth's living heritage, our global biodiversity, and to demonstrate that human societies are able to live harmoniously with nature.

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STICHTING NATUURBEHOUD SURINAME (STINASU), FOUNDATION FOR NATURE CONSERVATION IN SURINAME

Founded on June 17th 1969, Stinasu is the leading and authoritative nature protection organization in Suriname, contribution significantly to the protection of Suriname's existing nature (monuments) by supporting local and international partnerships in the fields of scientific research, nature education and nature tourism. Stinasu was founded by Dr.

Johan Schulz, the former Head Forester of the Forestry Department, as an effective way to conduct research and provide nature education without strict financial support from the government. Since it is a semi-governmental organization, funding is drawn from its nature tourism activities in the nature reserves and nature park in Suriname.

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Anton de Kom University of Suriname was founded on 1 November 1968 and offers studies in the field of social, technological and medical sciences. There are five research centers conducting research and rendering services to the community. The Center for Agricultural Research (CELOS) is promoting agricultural scientific education at the faculty of Technological Sciences. Institute for Applied Technology (INTEC), Biomedical Research Institute, Institute for Development Planning and Management (IDPM), Institute for Research in Social Sciences (IMWO), The Library of ADEK, University Computer Center (UCC), National Zoological Collection (NZCS) and National Herbarium of Suriname (BBS).

The primary goal of the NZCS and BBS are to develop an overview of respectively the fauna and flora of Suriname and build a reference collection for scientific and educational purposes. The NZCS also conducts research on the biology, ecology and/or distribution of certain animal species or on the composition and status of certain ecosystems.

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At Alcoa, sustainability is defined as using our values to build financial success, environmental excellence, and social responsibility through partnerships in order to deliver net long-term benefits to its shareowners, employees, customers, suppliers, and the communities in which we operate. Consistent with Alcoa's environmental policy and the company's published position on sustainable development, Suralco actively endorses the concept of conservation of biodiversity by operating in a manner that minimizes impacts on natural habitats and biological resources. Suralco's operations can play a positive role in conserving biodiversity by adopting appropriate land management practices and rehabilitating land disturbed by the operations in an appropriate manner.

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