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**Reshaping the operation of the Committee on Science and Technology in line with The Strategy:  
Review of the outcomes of the UNCCD 2nd Scientific Conference**

**Final outcome of the UNCCD 2nd Scientific Conference**

**Note by the secretariat**

**Corrigendum**

**Paragraph 29**

For the existing text *substitute*

29. Soil is the most significant resource for ensuring water, energy and food security. Competing claims on finite land resources are increasing sharply which makes land degradation a key issue in disaster risk reduction, poverty reduction and sustainable development. It is less costly to prevent land degradation than to deal with its consequences. Efforts to enhance food security need to reach out well beyond the confines of individual sectors and should instead be combined into a more complex system. One Health<sup>1</sup> – an integrated approach in managing health risks through an interdisciplinary interface for human, animal and environmental health care – can be a powerful tool to successfully cope with the drivers and consequences of desertification. Better knowledge is needed for informed debate, informed policymaking, and informed planning.

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<sup>1</sup> [http://onehealth.grforum.org/pages\\_new.php/About-One-Health/242/1/](http://onehealth.grforum.org/pages_new.php/About-One-Health/242/1/).