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All,

I think there was some confusion with the staffers related to whether or not they should try to get their chair to the MB meeting and what the role would be for that chair.

First, I'm not exactly sure how the agenda will be structured. The Decision Framework Implementation Workgroup will be working on that **this Friday from 10 to 2 and you are all more than welcome to attend this meeting** in the fishshack.

Second, regardless of whether they will end up making a formal presentation, I think that you should **highly encourage your chairs to attend**. I understand that not all will be able to attend but this is the beginning of a very important conversation with the Management Board on how the Management Board will interact with the GITs and it is really important that they are a part of that ongoing discussion. I would really like this to be taken as an ongoing way of doing business rather than a "one and done" sort of exercise where you put your workplan into various boxes and are done. For this to happen, we really need a healthy conversation between the GIT chairs and the MB members on how to use this framework to report on what the GITs are doing, how it is helping reach their goals, coordinate across the GITs, and examine what to do about key gaps that the GIT or its workgroups are unable to fill.

**Please let me know if your chair or vice chair is planning to come** and if you have any more questions. I will be able to tell you more about the specifics of the meeting once we have had our workgroup meeting on Friday.

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