

GOVERNMENT OF SAINT LUCIA MINISTRY OF PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT AND THE ENVIRONMENT

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Dear Ms. Mackinnon:

Re: Critical ecosystem Partnership Fund

As the Operational Focal Point of the Global Environment Facility (GEF) for the Government of Saint Lucia, I endorse the investment strategy outlined in the Critical Ecosystem Partnership Fund (CEPF) Caribbean Island Biodiversity Hotspot, and the provision of grants to nongovernmental and private sector organizations for projects and activities that fulfil the programmatic objectives outlined therein.

We understand that each of the CEPF donor partners (L'Agence Française de Développement, Conservation International, the GEF, the Government of Japan, the MacArthut Foundation and the World Bank) has committed funding to the CEPF initiative.

We note that provision of funding for activities outlined in the ecosystem profile will be contingent upon approval by the CEPF Donor Council. We understand that the ecosystem profile will be made publicly available.

Sincerely,

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cc: CEPF Executive Director

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