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à

Objet : Lettre d'approbation de la Côte d'Ivoire au Fonds de Partenariat critique pour l'écosystème (CEPF)

Monsieur Le Président
du Conseil des Donateurs
du CEPE

Monsieur,

En ma qualité de Coordonnateur du Point Focal Opérationnel FEM pour la Côte d'Ivoire, j'ai l'honneur d'accuser réception du document de synthèse du CEPF en provenance de l'Ambassade de Côte d'Ivoire à Washington D.C.

Notre pays accorde une grande importance à la reconstitution de ces Fonds et souhaite une bonne exécution de ce projet que nous approuvons.

Je vous prie d'agréer, Monsieur, l'assurance de ma considération distinguée.

Ampliations :

- Ambassade de Côte d'Ivoire à Washington D.C.
- M. Bamba Sékou Directeur Général CAA, Point Focal Politique du FEM
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**Ministry of Environment,
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Your Ref:

Mr. Gonzalo Castro
 The World Bank Group
 Team Leader - Biodiversity Environment Department
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ENDORSEMENT OF PROJECT PROPOSAL -
CEPF ECOSYSTEM PROFILE: WEST AFRICA.

The Ministry of Environment, Science and Technology has received and reviewed a proposal submitted by Conservation International Ghana on the Critical Ecosystem Partnership Fund Ecosystem Profile for West Africa. We realise that under the proposal, the Critical Ecosystem Partnership Fund will provide grants to civil society to implement projects that fulfill the programmatic objectives outlined in the Ecosystem Profile. We see the proposal, therefore, to be in line with the country's objective of getting civil society to be active partners in our various programmes for the implementation of the Convention on Biological Diversity and other biodiversity related Multilateral Environmental Agreements. The project should also help in addressing a critical problem facing not only Ghana but also the other countries constituting the Upper Guinea Forest Ecosystem - that of loss of critical biological resources.

As the GEF focal point for Ghana, we endorse the strategic programmatic direction outlined in the CEPF Ecosystem Profile, which is being submitted for consideration to the CEPF Donor Council for approval on December 14, 2000

Thank you.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "E.P.D. Barnes".

E. P. D. BARNES
 CHIEF DIRECTOR AND
 GEF FOCAL POINT
 For: MINISTER

Format for GEF Focal Point Endorsement Letters¹*March 20, 2001**R-227*

Mr. Gonzalo Castro

Environment Department

The World Bank

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Reference: Critical Ecosystem Partnership Fund

Dear Mr. Castro:

As the GEF Focal Point for the Government of Liberia, I would like to inform you that I endorse the investment strategy outlined in the Critical Ecosystem Partnership Fund (CEPF), Upper Guinean Forest Ecosystem Guinean Forest Biodiversity Hotspot West Africa, and the provision of grants to non-governmental and private sector organizations for projects and activities that fulfill the programmatic objectives outlined therein. We are aware that information relative to all specific projects can be accessed on the CEPF web site www.cepf.net, and we look forward to receiving annual listings of projects and activities conducted within Liberia.

We understand that each of the donors (Conservation International, GEF and the World Bank) has provided equal funding to the CEPF initiative.

In providing this endorsement, we confirm that Upper Guinean Forest Ecosystem Guinean Forest Biodiversity Hotspot West Africa has been shared with the officials responsible for the Convention on Biological Diversity, and has undergone review in our country. We note that it will be submitted for further review and approval by the CEPF Donor Council, and that provision of funding for activities outlined in the Ecosystem Profile will be contingent upon approval by the CEPF Donor Council. We agree that the Ecosystem Profile may be made publicly available after review and approval by the Donor Council.

Sincerely,

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Format for GEF Focal Point Endorsement Letters¹

Mr. Gonzalo Castro
Environment Department
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April 2, 2001

Reference: *Critical Ecosystem Partnership Fund*

Dear Mr. Castro:

As the GEF Focal Point for the Government of *Sierra Leone*, I would like to inform you that I endorse the investment strategy outlined in the Critical Ecosystem Partnership Fund (CEPF), Upper Guinean Forest Ecosystem Guinean Forest Biodiversity Hotspot West Africa, and the provision of grants to non-governmental and private sector organizations for projects and activities that fulfill the programmatic objectives outlined therein. We are aware that information relative to all specific projects can be accessed on the CEPF web site www.cepf.net, and we look forward to receiving annual listings of projects and activities conducted within *Sierra Leone*.

We understand that each of the donors (Conservation International, GEF and the World Bank) has provided equal funding to the CEPF Initiative.

In providing this endorsement, we confirm that Upper Guinean Forest Ecosystem Guinean Forest Biodiversity Hotspot West Africa has been shared with the officials responsible for the Convention on Biological Diversity, and has undergone review in our country. We note that it will be submitted for further review and approval by the CEPF Donor Council, and that provision of funding for activities outlined in the Ecosystem Profile will be contingent upon approval by the CEPF Donor Council. We agree that the Ecosystem Profile may be made publicly available after review and approval by the Donor Council.

Sincerely,

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Lomé, le 14 mars 2001

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Référence : Fonds pour les Ecosystèmes Critiques Partagés (CEPF)

Monsieur Castro,

En ma qualité de Point Focal Opérationnel FEM pour le Gouvernement du Togo, je voudrais vous informer que j'endosse la stratégie d'investissement contenu dans le Fonds pour les Ecosystèmes critiques en partage (CEPP).

En effet, les Ecosystèmes de la Forêt de la Haute Guinée, Zones névralgiques pour la biodiversité dans la Forêt guinéenne en Afrique de l'Ouest, et la provision des fonds aux organisations non gouvernementales et aux secteurs privés pour les projets et activités, cadrent tous avec les objectifs visés. Nous sommes avisés que les informations relatives à tous les projets spécifiques peuvent s'obtenir sur le site web de CEPF : www.cepf.net et nous espérons y voir la liste des projets et activités menées dans notre pays.

Nous savons que chacun des donateurs (Conservation Internationale, FEM et BM) contribue au même titre à l'initiative CEPF.

En soutenant l'initiative, nous confirmons que les Zones sensibles pour la Diversité Biologique de la Forêt de la Haute Guinée en Afrique de l'Ouest sont perçues de la même manière par les officiels responsables de la Convention sur la Diversité Biologique et seront traités avec soin dans notre pays. Nous estimons que cette initiative sera soumise incessamment à l'examen et à l'approbation du conseil des donateurs de CEPF et le financement des activités contenues dans le profil écosystèmes dépendra de l'avis de ce conseil des donateurs. Nous acceptons que le profil des écosystèmes sera mis à la disposition du public après examen et approbation par le conseil.

Veuillez agréer, Monsieur, l'expression de ma grande considération.



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