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Ms. Valerie Hickey
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Reference: Critical Ecosystem Partnership Fund

Dear Ms. Hickey,

As the Global Environment Facility (GEF) Operational Focal Point for the Government of Mozambique, I endorse the investment strategy outlined in the Critical Ecosystem Partnership Fund (CEPF) Ecosystem Profile for the Maputaland-Pondoland-Albany Biodiversity Hotspot, and the provision of grants to nongovernment and private sector organizations for projects and activities that fulfill the programmatic objectives outlined therein.

We understand that each of the CEPF donor partners (Conservation International, l'Agence Française de Développement, GEF, the Government of Japan, the MacArthur Foundation, and the World Bank) has committed funding to the CEPF initiative and that each of these donors supports the Ecosystem Profile. We also understand that CEPF has made the Ecosystem Profile publicly available.

In providing this endorsement, we confirm that the Ecosystem Profile is in line with our commitments under the Convention on Biological Diversity.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Marilia Telma Antonio Manjate'.

Marilia Telma Antonio Manjate
Head of Department of International Cooperation
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cc: CEPF Executive Director, fax: ++1.703.553.0721