



REPUBLIC OF SOUTH SUDAN  
MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT

*Office of the GEF Operational Focal Point*

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To: Brennan VanDyke  
Chief, Strategic Donor Partnerships and Global Funds Coordination UNEP, Nairobi

Jacqueline Mc. Glade  
Director, Division of Early Warning and Assessment (DEWA)  
UNEP, Nairobi

**Subject: Endorsement for the Capacity Development for the integration of global environmental commitments in to national policies and evidence-informed sustainable development decision making in South Sudan**

In my capacity as GEF Operational Focal Point for South Sudan, I confirm that the above project proposal is (a) in accordance with the government's national priorities and commitment as a party to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC), United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification (UNCCD) and Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD), as well as the priorities of the National Capacity Self-Assessment (NCSA), and our commitment to the relevant global environmental actions; and (b) was discussed with relevant stakeholders in accordance with GEF's policy including the global environmental convention focal points.

I am pleased to endorse the preparation of the above project proposal with the support of the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) and its Division of Early Warning and Assessment (DEWA). If approved, the proposal will be prepared and implemented under the guidance of the Ministry of Environment and Forestry with technical support provided by UNEP. As South Sudan has not yet developed sufficient administrative or financial capacity to execute this project directly, I hereby request and authorize the Post-Conflict and Disaster Management Branch (PCDMB) of UNEP to provide administrative, financial and technical execution support to the project.

I request the UNEP to provide a copy of the project document before it is submitted to the GEF Secretariat for CEO endorsement under the Cross-cutting Capacity Development (CCCD) window.

The total financing being requested for this project is US\$2,000,000 inclusive of Agency fee for project cycle management services associated with the cost of the GEF grant.

Sincerely yours,

David Batali Oliver

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Ministry of Environment and Forestry, RSS – Juba

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