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M.Sc. Carlos Manuel Rodríguez
CEO and Chairperson

May 17, 2021

Mr. Pradeep Kurukulasuriya,
GEF Executive Coordinator
United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)
New York City, USA

Dear Mr. Kurukulasuriya,

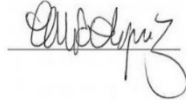
I am pleased to inform you that I have cleared the project concept detailed below for inclusion in the upcoming work program. I have also approved your request for Project Preparation Grant.

Decision Sought:	Project Identification Form (PIF) Clearance for Work Program Inclusion and Project Preparation Grant Approval
GEFSEC ID:	10780
Agency:	UNDP
Agency ID:	6565
Focal Area:	Biodiversity
Project Type:	Full-sized Project
Country:	Cook Islands
Name of Project:	Enhancing biodiversity considerations and effective protected area management to safeguard the Cook Islands integrated ecosystems and species
Indicative GEF Project Financing:	\$3,502,968
Indicative Agency Fee:	\$332,782
PPG:	\$150,000
PPG Fee:	\$14,250
Funding Source:	GEF Trust Fund

Indicative Agency Fee Commitment:					
Agency	Trust Fund	20% to be committed at Council approval (US\$)	50% to be committed at first disbursement (US\$)	30% to be committed at mid-term review (US\$)	Total (US\$)
UNDP	GEFTF	66,556	166,391	99,835	332,782

This PIF clearance and PPG approval are based on the understanding that the project is in conformity with GEF Trust Fund focal area strategies and with GEF policies and procedures. Please ensure that your final project document, having fully addressed all Secretariat, STAP, Convention Secretariats and Council comments, will be endorsed within 18 months of Council approval of the work program.

Sincerely,



M.Sc. Carlos Manuel Rodríguez
Chief Executive Officer and Chairperson
Global Environment Facility

Copy to: Country Operational Focal Point, GEF Agencies, STAP, Trustee