



October 20, 2005

Dear Mr. Good,

Subject: Biodiversity/OP2-SP1 "Belarus: Catalyzing sustainability of the wetland protected area system in Belarusian Polesie through increased management efficiency and realigned land use practices" – PIMS no. 2894

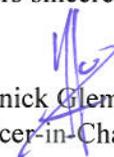
I am pleased to attach herewith the above-mentioned project document. The response to comments received from GEF Council and the GEF Secretariat also attached. The brief was approved at the GEF Intersessional Council Meeting in July 2005. Also attached are the co-financing letters from the following donors:

- State Committee on Land Resources and Cartography
- Ministry of Forestry
- Agricultural Production Cooperative Mizhlessie
- Concern Belmeliovodkhoz (included in letter from Ministry of Agriculture)
- Brest Oblast Executive Committee
- State Enterprise Dnieper-Bug Canal
- UNDP
- RSPB
- UNESCO
- Ministry of Natural Resources and Environmental Protection

As per paragraph 29 and 30 of the GEF Project Cycle, we are submitting this project document for circulation to the members of the GEF Council and, subsequently, for your final endorsement.

Thank you in advance for expediting the review and endorsement of this project.

Yours sincerely,


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