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Ref: *Capacity Building for the Implementation of the Cartagena Protocol
On Biosafety in Colombia*

Dear Mrs. Shepardson:

The Government of Colombia and the Ministry of the Environment, acting as the GEF Focal Point, fully endorse the project: ***Capacity building for the implementation of the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety in Colombia*** for GEF support and funding. The Government of Colombia considers this initiative as a national priority.

To ensure the successful execution of this project the *Instituto Alexander von Humboldt (IAvH)* shall act as the executing agency.

Sincerely Yours,


Juan Mayr Maldonado
Minister