Naoko Ishii CEO and Chairperson

March 14, 2016

Ms. Brennan Van Dyke GEF Executive Coordinator United Nations Environment Programme Nairobi 00100, Kenya

Dear Ms. Van Dyke:

I am pleased to inform you that I have endorsed the full-sized project proposal detailed below:

Decision Sought:	CEO Endorsement of Full-sized Project		
GEFSEC ID:	5730		
Agency(ies):	UNEP		
Focal Area:	Biodiversity		
Project Type:	Full Size Project		
Country(ies):	Global		
Name of Project:	Mainstreaming Biodiversity Information into the Heart of Government Decision Making		
GEF Project Grant:	\$5,000,000		
Agency Fee:	\$475,000		
Funding Source:	GEF Trust Fund		

Break-down of Indicative Agency Fee					
Agency	Trust Fund	Fees committed at Council Approval	Fees to be committed at CEO Endorsement	Total (US\$)	
UNEP	GET	\$190,000	\$285,000	\$475,000	

I am endorsing this project on the understanding that the GEF Agency will have its internal approval of the project no later than four months after the CEO endorsement.

This endorsement is subject to the comments made by the GEF Secretariat in the attached document. It is also based on the understanding that the project is in conformity with GEF focal areas strategies and in line with GEF policies and procedures.

Sincerely

Attachment: GEFSEC Project Review Document

cc: Country Operational Focal Point, GEF Agencies, STAP, Trustee