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Monsieur Lars VIDAEUS
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Objet : Lettre d'appui au Programme
SFI/FEM (BACP)

Monsieur le Coordinateur Exécutif,

J'ai l'honneur d'accuser réception du document de projet intitulé « Biodiversity and Agricultural Commodities Programme » ou Programme Biodiversité et Matière Premières Agricoles.

Notre pays, premier producteur national de cacao, accorde une importance particulière à ce programme qui aidera à réduire l'impact de la cacao culture sur la biodiversité.

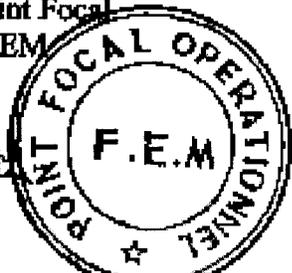
Nous apportons notre soutien total à ce projet afin qu'il soit éligible au financement du Fonds pour l'Environnement Mondial.

Je vous prie d'agréer, Monsieur le Coordinateur Exécutif, l'assurance de ma considération distinguée.

Le Coordinateur du Point Focal
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- M. Leonard GOOD, PDG du FEM
- Mme Catherine Gruveillot-Gaougne,
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- M. le Ministre de l'Environnement
et des Eaux et forêts, Point Focal
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- M. le Président Directeur Général
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Our Ref: MES/IA/037/U.S

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**THE GEF EXECUTIVE COORDINATOR
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Dear Sir/Madam,

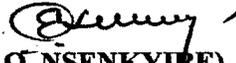
**GEF FOCAL POINT ENDORSEMENT FOR IFC/GEF BIODIVERSITY
AND AGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES PROGRAM**

In my capacity as the Global Environment Facility (GEF) Operational Focal Point, I write to endorse the multi-country Biodiversity and Agricultural Commodities Program (BACP) proposed by the International Finance Corporation (IFC).

Ghana believes that conservation of biodiversity with all the benefits that can be derived and shared by various communities in specific localities cannot be over-emphasized. BACP's objective to preserve genetic, species and ecosystem diversity within agricultural production landscapes is in conformity with the Ghana Poverty Reduction Strategy which also seeks, among others, to revamp agriculture so as to increase food production while promoting ameliorative programs that protect the environment.

Ghana is highly enthused to be part of BACP and therefore endorses the program for approval and execution.

Thank you.


(E.O. NSENKYIRE)
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Our Ref. : B- 14 E/GEF-OFP/4/2006
Category. : Urgent
Subject : Biodiversity and Agricultural
Commodities Program (BACP)

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Dear Mr. Broadfield,

I have reviewed the proposal of Biodiversity and Agricultural Commodities Program (BACP). The vital objective of the proposal is to assist and encourage private agricultural commodity players to promote the modification of specific agricultural production practices in order to preserve global genetic, species and ecosystem diversity within agricultural production landscapes. This program is also aiming to accelerate the mainstreaming of specific biodiversity-friendly production changes in limited number of commodities on global scale.

As the GEF National/Operational Focal Point, I would like to endorse this proposal as submitted to the GEF Secretariat. Please be advised that this letter of endorsement is issued based on information that the Department of Agriculture is supportive to the idea and will send their request for recommendation letter to me within the next few weeks.

I look forward to hearing the positive response. Thank you for your kind assistance and continuous cooperation.

Yours sincerely,

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Special Assistant to the Minister for
International Environmental Issues
and Partnership, as Indonesia GEF
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Dear Ms Cassagne,

IFC/GEF Biodiversity And Agricultural Commodities Program

In my capacity as Global Environment Facility (GEF) operational focal point for Malaysia, and after consulting with several stakeholders, I am pleased to inform that we agree in principle to participate in IFC/GEF Biodiversity And Agriculture Commodities Program. However we need to be further guided on matters pertaining project's partners and co-financing responsibilities. Thus we reserve the right for the final decision on this program after taking into consideration any forth coming discussion on this matter.

2. Malaysia considers the IFC/GEF Biodiversity And Agriculture Commodities Programme to be an important and valuable exercise in our ongoing efforts to protect the global environment while working to achieve our national sustainable development goals. Thus, kindly advise us on the next step to be taken to bring us closer to the realization of the program.

Yours Sincerely,

(NADZRI YAHAYA, Ph.D.)

Conservation and Environmental Management Division
for Secretary General
Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment
As the GEF Operational Focal Point