



15 September 2006

Dear Ms. Barbut,

Subject: BD/OP – 4 “Kazakhstan: Conservation and Sustainable Use of Biodiversity in the Kazakhstani Sector of the Altai-Sayan Eco-region – PIMS no. 2898

I am pleased to attach herewith for your endorsement the above-mentioned project document in the amount of USD2,395,700 as reflected on page 53. The project was approved at the GEF Council Meeting in June 2006.

Also attached are the co-financing letters. Our response to the Council’s comments is included in the project document, in Section IV, Part XI, on pages 103 – 105.

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,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Frank Pinto', is positioned above the printed name.

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