ANNEX XIII: Focal Point Endorsement letter

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	Пос	тоянному представителю ПРООН г-ну Фикрету Акчура

О проекте ГЭФ «Сохранение «in-situ» горного агробиоразнообразия»

Уважаемый господин Aкчура!

Министерство охраны окружающей среды Республики Казахстан, в качестве координирующего органа по ГЭФ выражает признательность ПРООН за помощь в подготовке проектного документа о горном агробиоразнообразии.

Доводим до Вашего сведения, что Министерство не имеет возражений по данному проекту и просит Секретариат ПРООН выделить необходимые средства на его реализацию.

С уважением,

Министр и Ответственное лицо по ГЭФ & Car-

А. Самакова

In situ Conservation of Kazakhstan's Mountain Agro-biodiversity

Unofficial translation Endorsement letter from the Ministry of Environmental Protection of Kazakhstan

> To Mr. Fikret Akcura Resident Representative UNDP

Subject: In-Situ conservation of Kazakhstan Mountain Agrobiodiversity

Dear Mr. Akcura,

The Ministry of Environmental Protection as a coordinating body for GEF in Kazakhstan would like to express its gratitude to UNDP/GEF for its support in the preparation of the In-Situ conservation of Kazakhstan Mountain Agrobiodiversity project document.

The Ministry has no objections to the proposed project and would appreciate it if GEF would release the necessary financial resources for its implementation.

Yours truly,

Minister and OFP

A. Samakova

ANNEX XIV: Co-Financing Letters of Commitment

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«Agroinprof-Service» TO-Republic of Kenther Almety 4000 Summi-1 tel/fax (3272) 5421 e-mail: junice@normal.

To: Mr. S. Ramachandran, Deputy Resident Representative, UNDP Country Office

Dear Sir.

Herewith we would like to express our interest and willingness to take part in UNDP/GEF project "In-situ Conservation of Kazakhstan's Mountain Agro-biodiversity".

A wide range of activities carried out by Agroinprof-Service Company correlate with the goals and objectives as set by the project; in particular, Agroinprof's priority to enhance conservation of rare and endangered medicinal plants in the mountain areas of Kazakhstan through plantation growth and harvesting.

Since 1996, Agroinprof-Service Company has provided consulting services in the field of rural development, collecting medicinal plants to cover the needs of pharmaceutical and food industries for natural floral products, and professional training activities for agricultural experts. In addition, the company seeks to create jobs for local communities living in the Ile and Dzhungar Alatau regions.

In 2002, Agroinprof-Service Company has made a US\$18,000 contribution to its action program including:

\$5,000 - publication of awareness literature and 5 workshops in collection, drying, medicinal application and conservation of the most significant medicinal plants for people living in mountain villages;

\$10,000 — establishment of eight plant collection teams in the mountain areas of Kazakhstan, providing 40 jobs for local people who sell the medicinal plants collected to the Company; \$3,000 — pilot plantations of endangered valuable medicinal species (stonecrop etc.) plants.

In 2003 and subsequent years, Agroinprof-Service Company will continue planting rare and endangered medicinal plant species including those found in the UNDP/GEF project area, collecting wild medicinal plants, and creating jobs and training activities for people living in the mountain areas of Kazakhstan in rational use of natural resources, including mountain agrobiodiversity. The total amount expected to be contributed by Agroinprof-Service Company for activities supporting the UNDP/GEF project will be US\$18,000 per year, totaling US\$108.000 for the period 2003-2008.

Therefore, by combining its efforts and coordinating activities focused on the rational use of agrobiodiversity, Agroinprof-Service Company will encourage successful implementation of the UNDP/GEF project "In-situ Conservation of Kazakhstan's Mountain Agro-biodiversity".

Looking forward to fruitful cooperation.

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Sincerely,

V. Yustus, Director, Agroinprof-Service



To: S. Ramachandran
Deputy Resident Representative
Kazakhstan Country Office
United Nations Development Program

August 9, 2002

Dear Sir.

Herewith we confirm that the ACDI/VOCA Office in Kazakhstan is interested in being involved in the implementation of the project "In-situ Conservation of Kazakhstan's Mountain Agro-biodiversity" funded by GEF/UNDP.

ACDI/VOCA is ready to provide short-term consulting assistance through the missions of 1-2 US experts in order to assist in practical implementation of the project. These missions will contribute to the development of Ile-Alatau National Natural Park and facilitate conservation activities for mountain agro-biodiversity in the Almaty oblast and nationwide.

ACDI/VOCA will provide short-term consultations through volunteer input on a free basis, with the condition that transport and interpreting services will be covered by a host organization. In the case that a positive decision will be made in relation with consulting services for the project "In-situ Conservation of Kazakhstan's Mountain Agro-biodiversity" in 2003 fiscal year, the estimated value of the in-kind contribution from ACDI/VOCA will be US\$30,000.

Sincerely,

O. Urazov,

Director,

Farmer-to-Farmer Project In Central Asia ACDI/VOC

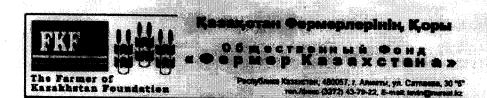
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Madam Kuralay Karibayeva Manager of UNDP Project "In-Situ Conservation Kazakhstan's Mountain Agrobiodiversity"

April 8, 2002

Dear Madam Karibayeva,

This letter serves to communicate that the non-governmental organization "Public Fund of Country Facilities Support the Farmer of Kazakhstan", based in Almaty, Kazakhstan, desires and intends to work in collaboration with the proposed UNDP-GEF project "In-Situ Conservation of Kazakhstan's Mountain Agrobiodiversity" during that project's implementation phase.

The proposed GEF project supports many of the same objectives of our organization. Farmer of Kazakhstan is active in several issues that relate to conservation of agrobiodiversity, including participation in legislative reform for small business support in the agrarian sector; in generation of opportunities for potential investors and creation of an independent crediting system for farmers and rural enterprises; in the dissemination of literature and assistance in organizing consulting services centres for the training and increase of the level of agricultural knowledge among farmers; and in the development and realization of projects for traditional and alternative kinds of private agricultural processing. Farmer of Kazakhstan intends to collaborate with the GEF project in the joint pursuit of these objectives.

Farmer of Kazakhstan does not have a defined budget for programs in these issue areas for the period of 2003-08. However, Farmer of Kazakhstan spent in 2001 in Almaty Oblast approximately US\$9,000, including the zone of prospective project implementation - US \$ and intends to spend at least this much during each of the next 6 years (2003-08) in areas in which it will collaborate with the GEF project. In total, this will result in at least US\$16,200 in spending by Farmer of Kazakhstan in conjunction with the GEF project.

Sincerely Yours,

Vladimir Levin General Director

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April 17, 2002.
To: S. Ramachandran,
Deputy Resident Representative
Kazakhstan Country Office
United Nations Development Program

Dear Sir.

This letter serves to communicate that the non-governmental organization Green Salvation, based in Almaty, Kazakhstan, is interested in participating in the implementation of the proposed UNDP-GEF project "In-Situ Conservation of Kazakhstan's Mountain Agrobiodiversity" during that project's implementation phase.

A number of activities in the proposed GEF project correspond to the priorities and directions of Green Salvation's program. Green Salvation actively cooperates with the administration of the Ile-Alatau National Natural Park (IANNF) in the sphere of ecological education and ecological tourism. One of the main tasks of Green Salvation is promotion of the IANNP for inclusion on the list of UNESCO World Heritage Shes, as such a listing will promote conservation of the park's territorial integrity that, in turn, will radically improve the chances for conservation of mountain agrobiodiversity in Almary Oblast and in the whole of Kazakhstan.

Orcen Salvation does not have a defined budget for work specific to He-Alama National Natural Park, although significent work is carried out there free of charge by our volunteers. However, general expenses for the execution of specific projects (in labor and material) for the past year can be estimated at approximately US\$3,000. In the future, Green Salvation intends to continue this work at a level at least this high, so that total contributions during 2003-08 can be estimated at approximately US\$18,000.

Yours Faithfully.

Sergey Kuratov Chairman Green Salvation ΙΝ

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Постоянному Представителю ПРООН в Республике Казахстан г-ну Фикрету Акчуре

Уважаемый г-н Фикрет Акчура,

Комитет лесного и охотничьего хозяйства Министерства сельского хозяйства Республики Казахстан выражает признательность за оказанную помощь по подготовке блока Б проекта «Сохранение «in-sity» горного агробиоразообразия в Казахстане» и подтверждает выделение софинансирования Республики Казахстан в реализацию проекта в виде натурального вклада в объеме 17244,71 тыс. долларов США на период 2004-2009 годы, в том числе по годам:

2004 г. – 2455,32 тыс. долларов США;

 $2005 \ \Gamma. - 2805,89 \ \text{тыс.}$ долларов США;

2006 г. – 3161,60 тыс. долларов США;

2007 г. – 3024,78 тыс. долларов США;

2008 г. – 2898,56 тыс. долларов США;

2009 г. – 2898,56 тыс. долларов США.

Со-финансирование Республики Казахстан складывается за счет направляемых содержание Иле-Алатауского ΓΗΠΠ, на средств Алматинского ГПЗ, Саркандского и Лепсинского учреждений по охране лесов и животного мира, собственных средств указанных учреждений воспроизводство лесов, проведения охрану И направляемых на лесоустройства на территории Алматинской области, авиационной охраны лесов горных лесов Алматинской области, а также на создание нового Джунгарского ГНПП.

Надеемся на поддержку со стороны Секретариата ГЭФ и ускорение начала реализации проекта.

Председатель

Е. Келемсеит

TRANSLATION

From: Ministry of Agriculture of the Republic of Kazakhstan

To: UN Resident Representative, Mr. Fikret Akcura

Date: 10 June 2004

Outgoing #: 25-1-10/1436

Dear Mr. Akcura,

The Forestry and Hunting Committee of the Munstry of Agriculture of the RK appreciates your assistance in development of the proposal on the project @In-situ Conservation of Mountain Agro biodiversity in Kazakhstan" and confirms parallel cofinancing of the project activities in the amount of \$17,244,710 for the period 2004 – 2009, including:

2004 – USD 2,455,320

2005 – USD 2,805,890

2006 – USD 3,161,600

2007 – USD 3,024,780

2008 – USD 2,898,560

2009 – USD 2,898,560

This co-financing from the Government of the RK will be provided from the state budget for implementing measures on conservation of and rehabilitation of the forests, forests management, aviation monitoring of mountain forests, and establishment of Jungar National Park and other activities in Ile-Alatau National Park, Almaty State Reserve, Sarkand and Lepsinsk Departments on Forests and Animals Conservation.

We hope for the GEF Secretariat approval of the proposal and its soon commencement of the project

Best Regards,

E. Kelemseit,

Chairman of the Forestry and Hunting Committee, Ministry of Agriculture RK

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Mr. S. Ramachandran
Deputy Resident Representative
Kazakhstan Country Office
United Nations Development Program

Dear Sir,

Hereby we confirm that Baldyrgan LTD intends to cooperate with the UNDP/GEF full-scale project "In-situ Conservation of Kazakhstan's Mountain Agrobiodiversity".

The proposed GEF project supports the goals pursued by our company, particularly Component 4 of the project, which deals with the development of alternative livelihoods for the local population in the project areas related to agricultural production and processing.

Baldyrgan LTD was established in the city of Taldykorgan in 2000, and is engaged in the production of natural juices, child nutrition products, and the preservation of local food products. In 2002, Baldyrgan has expanded its operations by establishing a processing plant in the Zailiskiy Alatau region near Almaty. The plant, using environmentally clean technologies without any synthetic mixtures, processes approximately 45,000 tons of fruits and vegetables each year, including 10,000 tons of apples. The plant was built at a cost of US\$190,000 and has created a total of 150 jobs.

In addition to this plant, Baldyrgan has also established agricultural storage stations in the Talgar and Yenbekshikazak districts. Already, approximately 1,500 peasant farmers are supplying the Baldyrgan facilities in Talgar and Yenkekshikakazak.

Beginning in 2003, Baldyrgan will spend approximately another US\$160,000 per year to extend its network of storage stations in the area of the Zailiskiy Alatau project zone. During the period of 2003-2008, total spending by Baldyrgan on these stations will be approximately US\$960,000.

Baldyrgan's policy in establishing new processing facilities and storage stations in these rural areas is to attract small-scale peasant farmers, gardeners, and summer residents to engage in fruit and vegetable production. The network of storage stations within the project areas will purchase fruits and vegetables from the local population who currently are unable to sell and expand their production/storage of fruits and vegetables, and will solve Baldyrgan's problems in accessing sufficient raw materials for its production output. In some cases, Baldyrgan will also provide financial support to farms for horticulture and market-garden development.

The total contribution of US\$960,000 from Baldyrgan will contribute to the project's goals of supporting rural agricultural producers and facilitating the conservation of wild fruit species. The increased and more stable income produced by such activities also will increase the social and economic level of the inhabitants in the project area.

From my part, I would like to assure you of our interest in being involved in the implementation of the project on conservation of mountain agrobiodiversity in Kazakhstan.

Sincerely yours,

General Director C Baldyrgan LTD HARRING TO THE STATE OF THE STA



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August 26, 2002 ref. 77

To: Mr. S. Ramachandran Deputy Resident Representative Kazakhstan Country Office United Nations Development Program

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Dear Sir.

Hereby we confirm that the corporate fund Kazakhstan Community Loan Fund (KCLF) based in Kazakhstan is willing and intends to cooperate with the UNDP/GEF full-scale project "In-situ Conservation of Kazakhstan's Mountain Agrobiodiversity".

KCLF was established in 1997 with the support of ACDI/VOCA and sponsored by USAID and Kazakhstan-Soros Foundation grants to implement microcredit programs in Kazakhstan. Presently, KCLF is a local Kazakh NGO with branches in Almaty, Taldykorgan and Shymkent, with legal status and a license issued by the National Bank to operate as a non-banking financial institution. Through its fifth period of operation, KCLF has gained acknowledgement throughout Kazakhstan and has a reputable image for both domestic and foreign investment support.

KCLF provides small loans to increase turnover capital and procure fixed assets, and provides technical support to clients through its credit officers. KCLF provides group crediting through a group guaranty system as well as individual crediting (since 2001) in the US\$1,000-5,000 range. In 2001, KCLF administered credit portfolio with a risk rate of under 2% and provided 11,000 loans for a total amount of US\$3,000,000. KCLF's revenues are invested in loan capital and corporate development. A sustainable flow of service revenues and additional capitalizations (including through international institutions) has enabled KCLF to grow and develop the capacity to meet client's needs at increasingly complex levels.

The proposed GEF project supports the goals pursued by the KCLF. KCLF actively works with small-scale businessmen dealing with agricultural products and services, of whom 80% are women, and KCLF is eager to expand through microcredits for farmers and small businesses dealing with agricultural production. Given this priority, KCLF plans to open a number of additional branches and offices within the next 3 years, including offices in Talgar and Sarkand (sites of the UNDP/GEF project). KCLF will coordinate its efforts with the above-mentioned project to support and provide loans for alternative livelihoods through its own financial resources and loans.

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In view of the above, the Fund is willing to develop a special Microcredit Program and ensure monitoring of loans in the project sites as well as participation in training programs for micro-business owners. Based on projected capacities. KCLF is ready to provide its credit funds to implement microcredit programs in two demonstration sites of the UNDP/GEF project in the following amounts:

2003 - US\$5,000 2004 - US\$10,000 2005 - US\$10,000 2006 - US\$15,000 2007 - US\$15,000 2008 - US\$15,000

In summary, the amount of credit resources to be available from KCLF for alternative livelihoods within the UNDP/GEF project will total US\$70,000.

Sincerely yours,

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Зместителю песточиного представителя ПРООН и Кизахстве г-иу С. Рамачалдова

Министерству прирадных ресурсив и охраные окружающей среды Республяют Кизвхетан Шукпутову А.

Уважнемый госпольти С. Развачищаран.

Настоящим увеломляем Вас. что ТОО «Компания «Жибек Жолью, созданиям в Казахстане (с. Алметы) в действующия в соответствым с мемориндумом с острудничестве между Компланей "Жибек Жалы" и ПРООН в Кизахстане, заключенным 21 февраля 2000 года, подтверждает свою готовають участновать в реализиции проекта Правительства Роспублика Казахстан — ГЭФ "Сохранение In situ горного агробноразнообразна а Казакствие» с

казаистинском участке, на протижении последник дет сотрудничает с Ине-Алатзуским Национальным парком по вопросы осуществления международного туризма, а гакже организует туристиже маршруты в эсне Джунгарского Алотву, активно зенимается вопросами создавия в тих зонах гуристской вифраструктуры. Предложенный проект поддерживает нези, которые преследует наша компания, а именно: сохраняния уникальных природиных комплексов и глобально значноско вилов агробаоразил, прирадинах констроительного в приключеского туркама, туризма с развитие в этой зоне экологического в приключеского туркама, туризма с лечебным фактором, в также влытернативным видив деятельности местного

населенных сиропетельности и также выпервительного видия деятельности местного населенных старательности и также выпервительности порядке 900 тыс, додларов США ни организацию турноги-эеских маршругов, выкуп земельных участков дак строительства гостевых домов, кемпингов, турногоко-этнографического компачков «Талькизи в районе г.Талтар — одного из первоочередных проектов Госпрограммы, стоимостью 4.7 млн. долгаров США, проведение проектно-номискательских работ, подготовку бизнес-планов, рекламу и пр.

Также, в Алакольском районе были проведены повеково-разведочные работы месторождения бентовитовых глин, получен гелостический отвод земли, проведены клинические испытания производства медицинского припарата «Смектит К» – амалога французской «Смекты», химический анализ







сырыя, получены патенты, опидетильства, сертификаты и пр. необходивные документы для проклюдства предприта и многое другое. Подготовлен бызнес-план по организации производства «Смектита К» споимостью 200 тыс долдаров США. Общех сумма вножение комоничей средств на уклучнице пели составляет свыше 300 тыс. должаров США.

В 2003-2008 годах в зоне реализики и по направлениям сотрудничества проекта ГЭФ «Жибек Жолы» намечает направить финансовых средств в объеме порядка 800 тыт. должаров США на оперующие пели:

- Организация производства лекарствонного препарата «Смиктит К» в Алакопыском районе 200 тмс. должаров СИА.
- Дальнейшее участве в развития местной кифраструктуры и видустрик туризма на территориих Джувгарского и Иле-Алитауского Напиональных парков и приметающим к яки территориях 600 тыс. долляров СПІА. Осуществление этих проектов позволят:
- предоставить дополнительные рабочие места месталы жителям;
- способствовать дажнейшему созденню контролируемого экотуризма, туризма с лечебным фактором, как экономической основы эффективного использования природного потенциала без ущерба для окружающей среды;
- учествовать в организации на местах регулируемой комийственной деятельности, подготовке гидов-жескурсоводов, рейиджеров и пр.
- прилимать участие в проведении природоохранных мероприятий.

Осуществляемия нами деятельность соответствует компоненту 4 мастолилого

При этом, на первод реализации проекти TOO «Компания «Жибек Жовы» прешлоналает следунацую скему вложения финансовых средств на указанные пели и доливрах США: 2003 год - 200 000 2004 год -200 000

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С уважением, Директор

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