

**REPUBLICA DE MOÇAMBIQUE****MINISTÉRIO PARA A COORDENAÇÃO DA ACÇÃO AMBIENTAL****Direcção Nacional de Gestão Ambiental**

To  
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Maputo, 2<sup>nd</sup> August, 2004

**Subject: Endorsement of the Transfrontier Conservation Areas And Tourism Development Project**

*Dear Sir/madam.*

On behalf of the Government of Mozambique and in my capacity as GEF Operational Focal Point, I hereby endorse the Project proposal known as "Transfrontier Conservation Areas And Tourism Development Project". to be presented to the Global Environmental Facility" for funding.

We strongly believe that this project will be of high value for Mozambique because it will support biodiversity conservation and sustainable use of natural resources in five large ecologically important areas. Additionally, the above mentioned project will contribute to the empowerment and improvement of living conditions of local communities, as well as strengthen partnerships between the public and private sectors.

We look forward for your kind consideration



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