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Jozef Škultéty
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Bratislava October 12, 1999

Dear Madam, Sir,

Re.: Letter of Endorsement .

In July 1998, a project idea was endorsed of „ Central European Grasslands : Conservation and Sustainable Use“ submitted by Daphne - Centre for Applied Ecology. Since that, the idea was successfully developed and hereby I have a pleasure to endorse the Project and express my hope that, with your valuable assistance, it will be approved in the near future. It would allow its timely start and enable Daphne to effectively utilise for the Project funds committed by other donors.

The Project is in conformity with the goals and strategic directions of the National Biodiversity Strategy approved by the Government of the Slovak Republic on April 1, 1997 and endorsed by the National Council of the Slovak Republic on July 2, 1997. The project, if implemented successfully, will represent a valuable contribution to achieving national priorities in the field of biodiversity.

Sincerely yours,



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