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**Subject: Endorsement of PIF of the Project: Expanding coverage and management effectiveness of the subsystem of forest protected areas in the national system of protected areas**

Dear Mr. Ayub,

With reference to the above mentioned Project, please find enclosed a copy of the endorsement letter which has been endorsed by Prof. Dr. Hasan Zuhuri SARIKAYA, Undersecretary of Environment and Forestry, as the GEF Operational Focal Point of Turkey.

We would look forward to your kind consideration in these matters.

Yours sincerely,

Dr. Mustafa ER  
Acting Head of Department  
On Behalf of Minister

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ENDORSEMENT LETTER

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Dear Mrs. Barbut,

On behalf of the Government of Turkey and in my capacity as GEF Operational Focal Point, I hereby endorse the PIF of the project "Expanding coverage and management effectiveness of the subsystem of forest protected areas in the national system of protected areas" to be presented through the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) to the Global Environment Facility (GEF). Also, I hereby declare that the Ministry of Environment and Forestry is fully dedicated to participate as a partner in the implementation of the above mentioned project.

With this project, Turkey is committed to use US\$ 1.1 million of its RAF allocation under Biodiversity Focal Area (inclusive of IA fee) for the implementation of this project.

Looking forward to your kind consideration in this matter.

Yours Sincerely,

Prof. Dr. Hasan Zuhuri SARIKAYA  
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