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**Endorsement for project: "Consolidating the Marine and Coastal Protected Area System in Venezuela"**

In my capacity as GEF Technical Focal Point for the República Bolivariana de Venezuela, I confirm that the above project proposal (a) is in accordance with the government's national priorities and the commitments made by the República Bolivariana de Venezuela under the relevant global environmental conventions and (b) has been discussed with relevant stakeholders, including the global environmental convention focal points, in accordance with GEF's policy on public involvement.

Accordingly, I am pleased to endorse the preparation of the above project proposal with the support of UNDP. If approved, the proposal will be prepared and implemented by, Dirección General de Planificación y Ordenación del Ambiente of Ministry of Popular Power for the Environment. Further, I request UNDP to provide a copy of the project document for information of this office before it is submitted to the GEF Secretariat for CEO endorsement.

I understand that the total GEF financing being requested for this project is \$8.300.000, inclusive of project preparation grant (PPG), and Agency fee (10%) to UNDP for project cycle management services associated with this project.

I consent to the utilization of the following indicative allocations available to República Bolivariana de Venezuela in GEF-4 under the GEF Resource Allocation Framework to cover the GEF project preparation and implementation as well as the associated Agency fees for this project.

RAF allocation for Biodiversity: \$16.7 million

Sincerely,

**LISSETT HERNANDEZ**  
Directora General

Oficina de Gestión y Cooperación Internacional

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