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Panama City, Panama

Subject: Endorsement for ***"Third National Communication of Brazil to the UNFCCC"***

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

Accordingly, I am pleased to endorse the above project proposal with the support of the United Nations Environment Programme. The proposal will be prepared and implemented by the Ministry of Science and Technology.

May I inform you that the present endorsement will remain valid provided that the corresponding Implementing Agency keeps this OFP informed by means of periodic executive reports on the development of the project. Additionally, I would like to request UNDP to provide a copy of the completed project documentation for acknowledgment by 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 US\$ 6,292,000.00, and US\$ 6,500,000.00 of co-financing for project cycle management services associated with this project.

I consent to the utilization of the following indicative allocations available to Brazil 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.

Climate Change: US\$ 5,720,000.00

Fee: US\$ 572,000.00

However, considering the national legislation regarding foreign grants above US\$ 5 million and the existence of Federal Government counterpart funds for the project, the definitive endorsement remains conditioned to the approval of COFLEX, whose decision will timely be forwarded, by this OFP, to the implementing agency.

Sincerely,


CARLOS EDUARDO LAMPERT COSTA
GEF's Operational Focal Point