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Dear Mr. Krause,

WFP support to Ethiopia on Drought Insurance

The World Food Programme (WFP) has recently approved an initiative supporting an innovative Drought Insurance Scheme for Ethiopia. The programme aims at reducing vulnerabilities of communities to drought by assisting them to better manage climate related risks. The programme has started implementation in November 2005 and has a budget of USD 1,116,667.

Over the past few months WFP became aware of the UNDP-GEF supported Coping with Drought and Climate Change project for Ethiopia, which pursues similar goals. It is our intention to develop a partnership with UNDP-GEF to maximize synergies between both programmes. In this context we believe the WFP programme and the UNDP-GEF project complement and support each other.

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