

Naoko Ishii CEO and Chairperson

November 04, 2015

Dear LDCF/SCCF Council Member,

IFAD as the Implementing Agency for the project entitled: *Honduras: Competitiveness and Sustainable Rural Development Project in the South Western Border Corridor (PROLENCA-GEF)*, has submitted the attached proposed project document for CEO endorsement prior to final approval of the project document in accordance with IFAD procedures.

The Secretariat has reviewed the project document and the proposed, major amendment to the original project document that I endorsed on April 5, 2013. The amendment involves (i) the restructuring of the IFAD baseline project on which the proposed SCCF grant would build; (ii) the resulting change of project title, area and target groups; and (iii) an extension of the project implementation period from 30 to 48 months.

The Secretariat has found the proposed amendment justified, and the project remains consistent with the proposal approved by the LDCF/SCCF Council in November 2011 and the Instrument as well as SCCF/GEF policies and procedures. The attached explanation prepared by IFAD satisfactorily details the reasons for the major amendment and how the Council's comments have been addressed.

We have today posted the proposed project document on the GEF website at www.TheGEF.org for your information. We would welcome any comments you may wish to provide by November 26, 2015 before I endorse the project. You may send your comments to gcoordination@TheGEF.org.

If you do not have access to the Web, you may request the local field office of UNDP or the World Bank to download the document for you. Alternatively, you may request a copy of the document from the Secretariat. If you make such a request, please confirm for us your current mailing address.

Sincerely,

Naoko Ishii
Chief Executive Officer and Chairperson

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GEFSEC Project Review Document

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