## GLOBAL ENVIRONMENT FACILITY

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UNDPCC Panama

Mr. Rafael Asenjo GEF Executive Coordinator United Nations Development Programme New York, New York Fax No.: 212 906 6998

Dear Mr. Asenjo:

Please refer to UNDP's letter of August 15, 1997 enclosing the revised project proposal entitled: Enabling Panama to Prepare its First National Communication in Response to its Commitments to the UNFCCC. Under the expedited procedures for enabling activities, I am happy to approve the proposal for a total amount of US\$298,700. In accordance with the decisions we took at the Management Retreat of July 24-25, 1996, 15% of the approved amount should be made available immediately for start up work in the recipient country.

Sincerely,

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cc : Messrs. Ahmed Djoghlaf (UNEP), Lars Vidaeus (World Bank), Pier Vellinga (STAP)