

March 15, 2011

Mr. Yannick Glemarec
GEF Executive Coordinator
United Nations Development Programme
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Dear Mr. Glemarec:

I am pleased to inform you that I am endorsing the project proposal entitled *Samoa: Integration of Climate Change Risk and Resilience into Forestry Management (ICCRIFS) Zones*, for \$2,400,000 in financing from the Least Developed Countries Fund (LDCF). I understand that this project proposal will be submitted for approval in accordance with the UNDP procedures. I note that a Project Preparation Grant (PPG) of \$50,000 was previously approved for preparation of this project and that a report on the use of those funds has been submitted to the Secretariat. Taking into account the PPG, the entire GEF grant for the project is \$2,450,000.

I am also endorsing the fee of \$240,000 for project cycle management services.

I am endorsing this project on the understanding that the project will meet the following milestones:

- (i) A report on the status of the project will be submitted to the Secretariat no later than November 2012; and:
- (ii) The closing date of the project grant will be no later than November 2014 and a terminal evaluation project completion report will be submitted to the Secretariat within 6 months of such closing date.

You are requested to ensure that the GEF Secretariat is informed when each of these milestones is met. If any milestone is not achieved, and after consultations with your Agency, I may agree to revised milestones or recommend cancellation, termination, or suspension of the project and I will communicate to the beneficiary country and your Agency the basis for such a recommendation.

Please ensure that your grant agreements continue to fully reflect this understanding.

I am attaching a copy of the review sheet for your records.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Barbara", with a stylized flourish extending from the end.

Attachment: GEFSEC Review Sheet

Copy to: Country Operational Focal Point, GEF Agencies, STAP, Trustee