

PIMS 2193 CLME
NGO Co-financing (Part 1 of 1)

No	Organization	Amount (USD)
1	CoML (Census of Marine Life Int'l Secr)	2,425,000
2	Crooper Foundation	1,258,026
3	IUCN	To be defined
4	TNC	1,077,000

September 11, 2007

Lucia M. Fanning, Ph.D.
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Cave Hill Campus, Barbados

Dear Dr. Fanning:

Following initial discussions about synergies and collaboration potential between the Caribbean LME Program and the Census of Marine Life Initiative in Panama in February 2007, we are pleased to inform you of our intention to support your Program as an active partner in its portfolio of technical activities.

We recognize the CLME Project as a timely and much needed initiative that already successfully engages a wide range of partners across the region in the management of trans-boundary living marine resources, on the basis of sound ecological and societal information, in order to assure an integrated ecosystem-oriented approach to its management.

The mission of the Caribbean Census of Marine Life is to assess and explain the diversity, distribution, and abundance of marine life in the Caribbean -- past, present, and future. To that end, we share the objectives of the CLME program particularly as they refer to the fostering of science as an important and integral component of the management and policy process.

The Census of Marine Life is well situated to contribute to the endeavor of the CLME Project through an effective collaboration on marine biodiversity and species abundance research, and through fostering application of CoML findings and use of its technology where appropriate. We particularly appreciate our shared interest in the abundance of adult species such as coastal demersal species, species with transboundary larval distribution such as mollusks, crustaceans and reef organisms, the dispersal of pathogens, pollutants and invasive species, and species with trans-boundary trophic linkages.

Potential areas and activities identifying and carrying out specific collaborative projects include, but are not limited to, the following:

- a. Research and management of large and coastal pelagic species with transboundary distribution as adults or other stages of their life cycle. We envisage implementation of our collaboration in particular through activities led by the CoML coral reef programme for the Caribbean, the regional coastal monitoring programme (called NaGISA), and the Ocean Tracking Network (OTN). We welcome joint fundraising to enable further collaborative research in the region. CoML would furthermore provide and promote use of its strong regional science network and vast networks of marine biodiversity experts to support of the CLME objectives and activities.
- b. Collaboration with respect to information and data management, use of the Ocean Biogeographic Information System (OBIS) infrastructure. A full CoML partnership would require that CLME make use of the global database infrastructure of OBIS both as a resource and for data publication by the community. We believe that building up a common source of trans-boundary ecological information will be of mutual benefit not only for our respective programs but also for regional stakeholders for scientific and policy analysis.
- c. Scope for application by governments and other stakeholders, operational CLME linkage. It is of particular importance to CoML that our wealth of findings through an extensive and very active regional research network find application by partners of the CLME network, such as governments and regional to international policy and governance institutions. We would expect to have representation within the management structure of the CLME to provide additional and maintain existing linkages.
- d. Use of latest tracking technology. The global OTN, funded in 2007, includes 3.25M CAD committed to put tracking and ocean monitoring equipment into the CLME region. Possible locations for tracking curtains are the Florida Strait (Florida-Cuba), the Yucatan Strait (Cuba-Mexico), or Aruba-Bonaire-Curacao (off Venezuela). Initial target species for these curtains are highly migratory tuna, swordfish, marlin and leatherback turtles, but they could also track movements of tagged flyingfish, groundfish, reef fish and lobsters – groups identified for study by the CLME project. Local advice on the best curtain placement for such species will come through the CoML Caribbean committee, and working with CLME will create opportunities to interact with and facilitate specific needs of local governments and agencies. Access to OTN hardware requires commitments to tag animals, deploy the hardware and harvest data. We suggest that CoML, CLME and OTN could pursue this collectively.

We assure and expect our collaboration to guarantee mutual recognition of joint activities for both research and a better management of transboundary marine resources in the region. On the basis of obvious links and common interests between CoML and CLME, we welcome the opportunity to continue our fruitful discussions and move towards an integrated management of Caribbean living marine resources, which will prove to be a positive contribution to and model for the global effort to protect the marine environment. CoML requests a formal response regarding the potential areas of collaboration a-d above in which you indicate agreement with the proposed reciprocal arrangements, and we invite you to identify additional areas of mutually beneficial collaboration.

Following the discussions with CoML's representative, Dr. Juan Manuel Díaz at the CLME meeting in Cartagena in May 2007, CoML would be willing to contribute to the success of this partnership by providing financial support in form of in-kind contributions from our Caribbean and international expert networks.

- a) Regional coastal monitoring program: data from the NaGISA project will be available by the web and uploaded into OBIS. The Universidad Simón Bolívar in Caracas has received a grant of US\$650,000 to carry out this monitoring program during three years in seagrass and rocky shore ecosystems along the Venezuelan coast.
- b) OBIS infrastructure: the INVEMAR from Colombia has received a grant of US\$10,000 for a second phase of the SIBM-OBIS project in which more regional records (crustaceans and macroalgae) will be available in the OBIS system. The previous phase, included in OBIS the regional records on mollusks, echinoderms, cnidaria and fish. Specifically within the CoML-CLME framework, CoML Caribbean has established a relationship with CORALINA to financially support the organization and uploading of CORALINA's biodiversity database into the OBIS system. For this activity the CoML Caribbean has a budget of US\$ 5,000.
- c) Operational linkages between the CoML and the CLME: CoML Caribbean can support the participation of an expert representative in CLME workshops and meetings. Also, we estimate our current engagement of senior CoML researchers in CLME collaboration, consultation and management (Committee chair/coordinator, network experts for steering committee participation, consultations etc) to result in an estimate of US\$ 6,000.



- d) Tracking technology: OTN, in particular, which integrates the POST and TOPP projects, globally, with funding from the Canada Foundation for Innovation, has \$3.25M CAD committed to put tracking and ocean monitoring equipment into the CLME. About 75% of these funds could potentially be routed through CoML Caribbean.

Best regards,

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Dr. Patricia Miloslavich, Chair
The Census of Marine Life
Caribbean Regional Implementation Committee
(Venezuela, Colombia, Cuba, Mexico, Puerto Rico
St. Thomas, Costa Rica, Barbados)

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Dr. Ron O'Dor
CoML Senior Scientist,
OTN Principal Investigator

THE CROPPER FOUNDATION

**Mr. Frank Pinto
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2nd August 2007

Dear Mr. Pinto:

RE: Letter of Cofinancing in support of the Project "CARIBBEAN LARGE MARINE ECOSYSTEM-CLME"

Given the mandate of The Cropper Foundation under its IDRC-funded project "Caribbean Sea Ecosystem Assessment" to identify components of the CARSEA Assessment that are responsive, through national and sub-regional action, to issues relating to the Caribbean Sea, its services and their relationship with human well-being; to raise awareness and understanding among public and policy-makers of those issues; to motivate individuals, organisations and states to give greater attention to those issues; and to engender and support a process of consensus-building within the wider Caribbean region for those policy actions in order to respond to the issues and contribute to the long-term goal of sustainable management of the Caribbean Sea, The Cropper Foundation is pleased to provide this letter indicating its commitment to partner with the Caribbean Large Marine Ecosystem (CLME) Project in the following project activities as outlined in the Full-Sized Project Proposal entitled "Sustainable Management of the Shared Marine Resources of the Caribbean Large Marine Ecosystem (CLME) and Adjacent Regions": Promoting Ocean Governance and Advancing the Caribbean Sea Initiative.

The overall objective of the CLME Project is in line with the objectives of The Cropper Foundation in striving for the sustainable management of the shared living marine resources of the Caribbean LME and adjacent regions through an integrated management approach. It is expected that the Project will provide the opportunity for the implementation of governance reforms at multiple levels that will permit sustainable development and ecosystem-based management of the shared LMRs (Living Marine Resources) of the Caribbean Large Marine Ecosystem and adjacent regions. Since most LMRs are shared in some way, these reforms can be expected to lead to the enhanced well-being of the Caribbean people through improved food security and enhanced

livelihoods in communities that rely on the resources of the coastal and marine environment.

As indicated above we are currently contributing to the objectives of the CLME project through various activities, and are very pleased to associate these in support of the CLME project. These include: the IDRC-funded project mentioned above; pro bono service through membership of the ACS Caribbean Sea Commission; various other activities to promote the Caribbean Sea Assessment (which we have conducted along with other collaborators) including building public awareness and education, and creation and publication of learning materials for use in schools.

As an indicator of our commitment to and ownership of the CLME project, we hereby indicate our continuing support through these activities insofar as their costs are borne by the Foundation, as indicated in the attached Table 1. In addition, we have itemized funds that are being expended in parallel, non-GEF funded projects that contribute to the overall objectives of the CLME Project.

Sincerely,



Angela Cropper

cc. CLME Project Unit, CERMES, Cave Hill Campus, Barbados

Table 1 – Co-Financing Commitment to CLME Project by The Cropper Foundation
 (Includes all appropriate parallel funding from ongoing projects that support the CLME activities as well as in-kind made directly to the CLME Project activities. All values are in US\$))

Project Activities	In-Kind contribution over 4 years	Cash contribution over 4 years	Parallel funding contribution	Total contributions
1. Project Management				
2. Analysis of Transboundary LMR Issues and Identification of Needed Actions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Causal Chain Analysis • Stakeholder Analysis • Public Involvement Plan • Communications Strategy 				
3a. Strategic Action Programme Development				
3b. Implementing the governance framework <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Promoting oceans governance • Advancing the Caribbean Sea Initiative • Sustainable regional management of large pelagics • Incorporating fisheries NGOs in regional governance • LME-level monitoring and reporting 	\$372,000 \$28,800		\$845,226 \$12,000	\$1,217,226 \$40,800
4. Demonstration Fisheries Projects <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Flying fish • Lobster • Shrimp and Groundfish • Reef fisheries/Biodiversity 				
Total Contribution	\$400,800		\$857,226	\$1,258,026

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18 October 2007

Dear Mr Glemarec,

We have read the proposal for the Caribbean Large Marine Ecosystem project, ("Sustainable Management of the Shared Living Marine Resources of the Caribbean Large Marine Ecosystem (CLME) and Adjacent Regions"), which is being submitted to the GEF for consideration for funding as a Full-Size Project. We would like to give our support to this proposal as we believe that the work to be done in this project can make a substantial contribution to improved governance of living marine resources in the Caribbean. IUCN is in the process of developing its programme of work for the Caribbean and will be doing so with a view to collaborating with and complementing the CLME project.

Whereas we are not presently at a stage where we can identify actual amounts of co-financing, it is our intention to participate in the activities of the CLME project and to develop our work programme to be as aligned with the CLME objectives as possible. We anticipate that our programme will address aspects of reef biodiversity conservation and protected areas that complement those planned by the CLME project. We also have a particular interest in enhanced regional governance of living marine resources and will be looking to contribute in the area of institutional strengthening and information sharing at the regional level as well.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Carl Gustaf Lundin".

Carl Gustaf Lundin
Head, Global Marine Programme
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**Mr. Yannick Glemarec
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October 28, 2007

Dear Mr. Glemarec:

RE: Letter of Co-financing in support of the Project “CARIBBEAN LARGE MARINE ECOSYSTEM-CLME”

Given the mandate of The Nature Conservancy to preserve the plants, animals and natural communities that represent the diversity of life on Earth by protecting the lands and waters they need to survive, the Nature Conservancy is pleased to provide this letter indicating its intent and interest in partnering with the Caribbean Large Marine Ecosystem (CLME) Project in the following project activities as outlined in the Full-Sized Project Proposal entitled **“Sustainable Management of the Shared Marine Resources of the Caribbean Large Marine Ecosystem (CLME) and Adjacent Regions”**:

- **Attendance at Meetings**
- **LME Monitoring & Reporting**
- **Demonstration Fisheries Projects in the Bahamas (Lobster), Jamaica (Reef Fish/Biodiversity), and Dominican Republic/Haiti (Reef Fish/Biodiversity)**

The overall objective of the CLME Project is in line with the objectives of the Nature Conservancy in striving for the sustainable management of the shared living marine resources of the Caribbean LME and adjacent regions through an integrated management approach. It is expected that the Project will provide the opportunity for the implementation of governance reforms at multiple levels that will permit sustainable development and ecosystem-based management of the shared LMRs (Living Marine Resources) of the Caribbean Large Marine Ecosystem and adjacent regions.

As an indicator of our interest and ownership, the Nature Conservancy plans to support this project over the life of the project with regular funded staff and other in-kind services and/or cash as identified in Table 1 attached. In addition, we have itemized funds that will be expended in parallel, non-GEF funded projects that contribute to the overall objective of the CLME Project.

Sincerely,

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Table 1 – Co-Financing Commitment to CLME Project by The Nature Conservancy

Project Activities	In-Kind contribution over 4 years	Cash contribution Over 4 years	Parallel funding contribution	Total contributions
1. Project Management - Attendance at Meetings – 5 persons, 10 days/yr, total 200 @ \$400/day	\$80,000			\$80,000
2. Analysis of Transboundary LMR Issues and Identification of Needed Actions <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Causal Chain Analysis• Stakeholder Analysis• Public Involvement Plan• Communications Strategy				
3a. Strategic Action Programme Development				
3b. Implementing the governance framework <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Promoting oceans governance• Advancing the Caribbean Sea Initiative• Sustainable regional management of large pelagics• Incorporating fisheries NGOs in regional governance• LME-level monitoring and reporting	\$160,000			\$160,000
4. Demonstration Fisheries Projects <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Lobster - Bahamas• Reef fisheries/Biodiversity - Jamaica• Reef fisheries/Biodiversity – DR/Hait			\$100,000	\$100,000
	\$550,000			\$550,000
	\$187,000			\$187,000
Total Contribution	\$977,000		\$100,000	\$1,077,000

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Other Co-financing (Part 1 of 2)

No	Organization	Amount (USD)
1	CERMES	480,000
2	CRFM	2,829,000
3	FAO	1,336,000
4	IOC (IOCaribe - IOC-UNESCO)	830,000
5	NOAA	22,600,000



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Dear Mr.

I am writing regarding cofinancing for the GEF Project ‘Sustainable Management of the Shared Living Marine Resources of the Caribbean Large Marine Ecosystem (CLME) and Adjacent Regions’. CERMES is willing to continue its involvement in this project as indicated below.

Activity and inputs	Cofinancing (\$US)
Steering Committee and related activities - 5 days each year at US\$500/day	10,000
Flyingfish project - 10 days each year at US\$500/day	20,000
Large pelagics project - 10 days each year at US\$500/day	20,000
Regional governance – 10 days each year at US\$500/day	20,000
MarGov Project – funded by IDRC – alignment of activities with CLME governance activities - \$100,000 each year for 3 years	300,000
Sustainable Grenadines Project – funded by The Lighthouse foundation – alignment of activities with reef fisheries and biodiversity project - \$50,000 each year for 2 years	100,000
Total	480,000

We look forward with enthusiasm to active involvement in this extremely important GEF project.

Sincerely

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November 22, 2007

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Dear Mr. Glemarec:

SUBJECT: CRFM In-kind Contributions to the Caribbean Large Marine Ecosystem (CLME) Project

The Caribbean Regional Fisheries Mechanism (CRFM) Secretariat has as its mission: *To promote and facilitate the responsible utilization of the Region's fisheries and other aquatic resources for the economic and social benefit of the current and future population of the region.* There are eighteen (18) participating countries of the CRFM and all support the projects and activities of the CRFM through financial and other contributions to the CRFM Secretariat.

Having been involved in the preparation of the CLME project, the Caribbean Regional Fisheries Mechanism (CRFM) is willing to commit the following projects / activities, which share and contribute to the goal and objectives of the CLME project, as co-financing / in-kind contributions to the CLME project.

1. CLME Project Oversight:

The Member States of the CRFM are represented on the CLME Project Steering Committee and at technical workshops. In-kind contribution in terms of senior personnel time is estimated at three (3) weeks per year (US\$500 per day x 3 working weeks) totaling US\$7,500 per annum.

2. Management and Coordination:

The CRFM Secretariat has taken the lead role in implementing the Flying Fish Project and the Large Pelagics Project. Notwithstanding the fact that technical assistance in implementing these two projects will be provided by the CLME project, it is expected that not less than two (2) months senior staff time per year for technical and administrative oversight of project implementation will be contributed by the CRFM to the CLME project. This is valued at (US\$7,000 per month x 2 months) US\$14,000 per annum.

3. Participation in the Governance Component of the CLME:

This is estimated at three (3) weeks per year (US\$7,500).

4. Parallel Funding (In-kind contributions):

The CRFM currently implements or expects to commence implementation of the following projects whose goals and objectives supports those of the CLME project:

(a) *Development of Caribbean Network of Fisherfolk Organisations (July 2006 – July 2008)*

This project is currently under implementation. The purpose of this project is to develop the institutional capacities of fisherfolk organizations at the regional, national and community levels. Total contribution to the CLME project is estimated at US\$300,000.

(b) *Programme for Strengthening Fisheries Management in ACP Countries*

This programme is expected to commence implementation in 2008. Its overall objective is the sustainable and optimal management of fisheries in ACP countries and recognizes that effective governance of the fisheries sector has the potential to bring about considerable net gain for society.

The Programme will make a significant contribution to support efforts by Caribbean states to establish effective regional fisheries management policies with which national policies are harmonized will facilitate access to appropriate knowledge, building the capacity to utilize that knowledge and providing the support needed for formulating a new direction. Also, it will establish networking mechanism and the support to establish effective networks. Practitioner and their networks will be set up, respectively, for use in day-to-day problem-solving, and in addressing generic knowledge, in particular themes relevant to this result. The total budget for implementation of the Caribbean Node (CRFM Secretariat is expected to be the Implementing Agency) is €3,000,000 approximately.

(c) *Formulation of Master Plan on Sustainable Use of Fisheries Resources for Coastal Community Development in the Caribbean.*

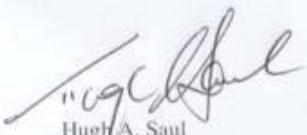
Following are components of the Master Plan:

1. Pelagic fisheries development and management;

2. Aquaculture development;
3. Regional fisheries database development;
4. Participatory approaches to management (including sedimentary resource management)
5. Extension and training.

The total value of this project (study) is estimated at US\$2,000,000.

Regards,



Hugh A. Saul
Executive Director

Cc: Mr. Wesley Clerveaux, Chairman, Caribbean Fisheries Forum
Mr. Terrence Phillips, Programme Manager, Fisheries Management and Development,
CRFM Secretariat, St. Vincent and the Grenadines
Mr. Anthony Mills, Corporate Services Manager, CRFM Secretariat, Belize
Dr. Robin Mahon, Professor of Marine Affairs and Director, CERMES, Barbados
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24 August 2007

Dear Mr Glemarec,

Letter of co-financing in support of the Project Caribbean Large Marine Ecosystem – CLME

The general objective of the FAO Western Central Atlantic Fishery Commission (WECAFC) is to promote the efficient conservation, management and development of the living marine resources of the western central Atlantic region, in accordance with the FAO Code of Conduct for Responsible Fisheries, and address common problems of fisheries management and development faced by Members of the Commission, without prejudice to the sovereign rights of the coastal states.

Given this objective, the FAO WECAFC is pleased to provide this letter as an expression of intent to partner with the Caribbean Large Marine Ecosystem (CLME) Project in the following project activities as outlined in the Full-sized Project Proposal entitled *Sustainable Management of the Shared Marine Resources of the Caribbean Large Marine Ecosystem (CLME) and Adjacent Regions*:

1. Project Management;
- 3b. Implementing the governance framework; and
4. Demonstration Fisheries Project – Shrimp and groundfish.

The overall objective of the CLME Project is in line with the objectives of the WECAFC in striving for the sustainable management of the shared living marine resources of the Caribbean LME and adjacent regions through an integrated management approach. It is expected that the Project will provide the opportunity for the implementation of governance reforms at multiple levels that will permit sustainable development and ecosystem-based management of the shared living marine resources of the Caribbean Large Marine Ecosystem and adjacent regions. Since most of living marine resources in the western central Atlantic region are shared in some way, these reforms can be expected to lead to the enhanced well-being of the Caribbean people through improved food security and enhanced livelihoods in communities that rely on the resources of the coastal and marine environment.

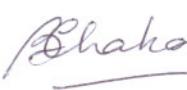
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As an expression of its support, the FAO WECAFC intends to support this project over the life of the first phase (four years) of the CLME project with regular funded staff and other in-kind services as identified in Table 1, attached. In addition, we have itemized funds that will be expended in parallel, non-GEF funded activities of WECAFC that contribute to the overall objective of the CLME Project. In addition, there is the potential of future FAO projects with objectives similar to the CLME project that cannot be identified at this time.

We wish to emphasise that FAO WECAFC's co-financing support is heavily dependent on us being able to obtain extra-budgetary funding and that this letter is an expression of intent. However, the link between WECAFC and the working groups of the CLME project may make this easier.

Regards.

Yours faithfully,


Bisessar Chakalall
Secretary of WECAFC



cc: Dr. L. Barbara Graham, Subregional Representative, SLAC
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Mr. C. Toro, Unesco/IOCARIBE, Colombia
Mr. R. Mahon, CERMES/UWI, Barbados

Table 1. FAO WECAFC Cofinancing Support to CLME Project¹

A. <u>CLME Project Activities</u>	USD
1. Project Management	
- Attending Steering Committee other meetings	60 000
- Management of Brazil-Guianas Pilot	90 000
2. 3 (b) Implementing the Governance Framework	130 000
- WECAF Commission meetings	
- Scientific Advisory Group meetings	
- Coordination WECAFC Secretary	
B. Funds to be expended in parallel.	
1. Flyingfish Working Group	320 000
2. Spiny Lobster Working Group	176 000
3. Shrimp and Groundfish	200 000
4. Technical Backstopping & Coordination	360 000
	1336 000

¹ An expression of intent. Heavily dependent on FAO/WECAFC obtaining extra-budgetary funds.



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February 19, 2008

Subject: Project "Caribbean Large Marine Ecosystem" - Co-financing Letter

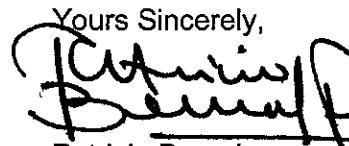
Dear Mr Glemarec,

On behalf of the Member States of the IOC of UNESCO participating in the Sub-Commission for the Caribbean and Adjacent Regions (IOCARIBE) I am pleased to provide this letter indicating its commitment to partner with the Caribbean Large Marine Ecosystem (CLME) Project in the implementation of the Full-Sized Project Proposal entitled "**Sustainable Management of the Shared Marine Resources of the Caribbean Large Marine Ecosystem (CLME) and Adjacent Regions**".

It is expected that the Project will provide the opportunity for the implementation of governance reforms at multiple levels that will permit sustainable development and ecosystem-based management of the shared LMRs (Living Marine Resources) of the Caribbean Large Marine Ecosystem and adjacent regions. Since most LMRs are shared in some way, these reforms can be expected to lead to the enhanced well-being of the Caribbean people through improved food security and enhanced livelihoods in communities that rely on the resources of the coastal and marine environment.

We would therefore like to take this opportunity to confirm the commitment of IOCARIBE, by providing our support to this project over its life with regular funded staff and other in-kind services for an estimated value of US\$830,000.

With the assurances of my highest consideration, I remain,

Yours Sincerely,

Patricio Bernal

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Patricio Bernal
Assistant Director-General for UNESCO
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Mr Yannick Glemarec
Executive Director
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Mr. Frank Pinto
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Dear Mr. Pinto:

RE: Letter of Cofinancing in support of the Project “CARIBBEAN LARGE MARINE ECOSYSTEM-CLME”

Given the mandate of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration's, National Marine Fisheries Service (NOAA Fisheries Service) to the stewardship of living marine resources through science-based conservation and management, and the promotion of healthy ecosystems, NOAA Fisheries Service is pleased to provide this letter indicating its commitment to partner with the Caribbean Large Marine Ecosystem (CLME) Project through several parallel, non-GEF funded projects that contribute to the overall objective of the CLME Project.

The overall objective of the CLME Project is in line with the objectives of the NOAA Fisheries Service in striving for the sustainable management of the shared living marine resources of the Caribbean LME and adjacent regions through an integrated management approach. It is expected that the Project will provide the opportunity for the implementation of governance reforms at multiple levels that will permit sustainable development and ecosystem-based management of the shared LMRs (Living Marine Resources) of the Caribbean Large Marine Ecosystem and adjacent regions. Since most LMRs are shared in some way, these reforms can be expected to lead to the enhanced well-being of the Caribbean people through improved food security and enhanced livelihoods in communities that rely on the resources of the coastal and marine environment.

NOAA currently conducts significant research and management operations designed to monitor populations and harvests of fishery resources in the Caribbean, to

understand and protect marine mammals, sea turtles and other protected species and to study the value and role of coral reefs and other important habitats in the maintenance of sustainable populations of living marine resources. NOAA Fisheries Service works closely with other parts of NOAA, U.S. states and territories, universities and other federal agencies to address additional issues of concern including habitat health, marine pollution and management of living marine resources.

As an indicator of commitment and ownership, the NOAA will support CLME Project through the following annual contributions to non-GEF funded projects that contribute to the overall objective of the CLME Project: \$1,000,000 to the Caribbean Fisheries Management Council; \$250,000 to Cooperative Statistic Data Collection; \$200,000 for recreational fisheries statistics collection; \$500,000 for stock assessments and IT support, \$100,000 toward cooperative research projects, \$100,000 toward travel to Caribbean meetings, \$3,500,000 in coral reef research, monitoring and management. Total annual co-financing is approximately \$5,650,000 in research, monitoring and management within the Caribbean Large Marine Ecosystem.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Alex J. Chester".

Alex Chester, Acting Director

cc. CLME Project Unit, CERMES, Cave Hill Campus, Barbados