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SECRETARIA DE ASSUNTOS INTERNACIONAIS**

Ofício nº 072 /SEAIN/MOG

Brasília, 02 de março de 1999

Senhor Representante Residente,

Informo a Vossa Senhoria que esta SEAIN, na qualidade de Ponto Focal Operacional do "Global Environment Facility - GEF" no Brasil, endossa o projeto "Removal of Barriers to the Effective Implementation of Ballast Water Control and Management Measures in Developing Countries", o qual se enquadra nas prioridades do Governo brasileiro.

Atenciosamente,

Antonio Gustavo Rodrigues
ANTONIO GUSTAVO RODRIGUES
Secretário-Adjunto de Assuntos Internacionais

Ao Senhor
WALTER FRANCO
Representante das Nações Unidas no Brasil
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June 17, 1998

Mr Yannick Glemarec
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United Nations Development Program, Beijing
Fax: 6532-2567

Re: International Water -- Regional project

Dear Mr. Glemarec,

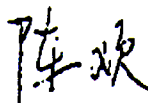
This is to confirm our support for the "Removal of barriers to the effective implementation of ballast water control and management measures in developing countries", which will apply the GEF support.

Among other things that had been touched upon during a recent informative discussion with the IMO consultant in China, the growing interest of the international community and the on going developments in IMO aiming at introduction of a new Annex to MARPOL 73/78 Convention were particularly underlined. As the transfer of the nuisance aquatic organisms pose a global risk for the marine environment as a whole, we would like to express our support for the activities currently performed under project No. TO11-GLO/97/G4/A/1G/19 and to express our interest for a full scale project document to be submitted to GEF Council.

It is our belief that the continuation of the activities on the demonstration site designated by the Chinese Government will also benefit other developing countries and the international community by contributing the global efforts towards the protection of the marine environment.

Best regards.

Yours sincerely,



Chen Huan
GEF Operational Focal Point
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MAIL LISTING FOR Phillip Reynolds

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August 28, 1998 3:59am MAIL IS -
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Dear Mr. Reynolds,

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs has officially endorsed the proposed project. Quote

Islamic Republic of Iran
Ministry of Foreign Affairs

With the Name of God

very urgent
No 622/1342
Date 26 August 1998

UNDP Representative Office , Tehran

We herby provide the agreement of this General Directorate with the participation of the Islamic Republic of Iran in the execution of the project " Removal of Barriers to the Effective Implementation of Ballast Water Control and Management Measures in Developing Countries" to utilize the financial rsources of the Global Environment Facility.

Please arrange for the needful action and keep this General Directorate advised of the outcome.

Pirooz Hosseini,
General Director
International Economic and Specialized

Affairs

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This office stads ready to assist if follow up actvities,

With best regards,

H.R. Ghaffarzadeh, ARR (prog)

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Dear Mr. Reynolds

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Project Title: Removal of Barriers to the Effective Implementation
of Ballast Water Control and Management Measures in Developing
Countries

We have recently been informed by the State Department of
Merchant Marine and Inland Water Transport about the activities
under above mentioned project.

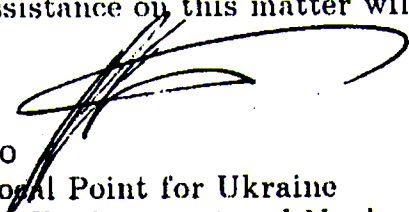
It has been demonstrated that the transfer of unwanted organisms
through ballast water threatens native populations, fishing and tourism
industries, aquaculture and public health. The information received from
the relevant officials showed that concrete steps towards minimization of
the effects of ballast water transfers are being currently made in Ukraine.
The growing interest of the international community and the on going
work of the International Maritime Organization (IMO) aiming at
introduction of a new annex to MARPOL 73/78 Convention have been
particularly underlined during the discussion with IMO consultant in
Ukraine.

As the transfer of nuisance aquatic organisms pose a global risk
for the marine environment we take this opportunity to inform you about
our support for the activities currently performed under this project in
Ukraine, and to express our interest for the full-scale project document
to be submitted to GEF Council in October this year.

It is our belief that the continuation of the activities on the
demonstration site selected by the Ukrainian authorities will also benefit
other developing countries and the international community by
contributing the global efforts for the protection of the marine
environment.

Your kind assistance on this matter will be greatly appreciated.

Yours Sincerely,


Vasil Vasilchenko
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Vice Minister of the Environment and Nuclear Protection

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DATE : 28 AUGUST 1998

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PLEASE REPLACE OUR PREVIOUS FAX WITH THIS ONE

GEF PROPOSAL: REMOVAL OF BARRIERS TO THE EFFECTIVE IMPLEMENTATION OF BALLAST WATER CONTROL AND MANAGEMENT MEASURES IN DEVELOPING COUNTRIES

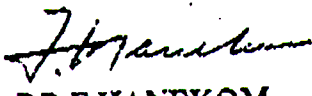
This is to certify that I am fully aware of the above-mentioned project which has been developed by the International Maritime Organisation in collaboration with various stakeholders in South Africa.

In fact, the project document was finalised at a recent meeting of the IMO and the six participating countries in Cape Town.

This office is satisfied that sufficient consultation with stakeholders in this country took place during the development of the project document.

I am, therefore, now in a position to endorse the project.

A copy of my letter to this effect has been despatched to Mr David Whaley, Resident Representative, UNDP offices, Pretoria.



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D.O. No. 4(2)/41/98-IC I
15th March, 1999.

Dear Shri Jha,

Please refer to the correspondence resting with you vide D.O. No. 7/16/98-FH/III. The proposal entitled "Removal of Barriers to the Effective Implementation of Ballast Water Control and Management Measures in Developing Countries" submitted by the International Maritime Organisation has been examined in this Ministry and we have the following comments to offer:

1. The flaw with the proposal is that it is region-based. Considering the nature of the project, it should have been based on ocean bodies and the tropical nature of the countries.
2. No baseline biological data is available with regard to the Indian coastal waters/harbours/ ports. Necessary infrastructure for assessing the impact of ballast water assessment for the Indian waters, therefore, is necessary.
3. An alien species namely *Mytilopsis Sallei* has been identified in the coastal waters of Vishakhapatnam and Mumbai. Its growth and effect on the coastal ecology should be studied carefully.
4. Management options for exchange of ballast waters in mid-ocean should be examined.
5. Ministry of Environment and Forests should be represented on the Project Steering Committee.
6. As fin and shell fish is the first line of attack from alien pathogens, Deptt. of Fisheries, Ministry of Agriculture should also be represented in the Steering Committee.

We have not received the comments of the Ministry of External Affairs despite several reminders. The proposal is, however, endorsed by MoEF, subject to the foregoing comments.

With regards,

Yours sincerely,

(U.K. Choudhary) 15/3/99

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