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Dear Mrs. Barbut,

LETTER OF ENDORSEMENT – Implementation of the Strategic Action Programme for the Benguela Current LME Commission

1. As GEF Operational Focal Point in Namibia, I hereby wish to inform you that the aims and objectives of the abovementioned project meet the priorities and requirements of the Namibian Government in terms of its management and conservation of marine resources.
2. The Benguela Current Large Marine Ecosystem Programme, funded and assisted by GEF and its partners, started implementation in 2002. This GEF Project was created to initiate the management process for the BCLME Programme and has been extremely successful in capturing vital knowledge and information necessary for the development of an integrated, ecosystem-based and cooperative management approach.
3. The Programme has made significant advances in capacity building and training. Most importantly the BCLME Programme has created an environment of trust and partnership between the three participating countries (Angola, Namibia and South Africa) at the scientific and, to some extent middle management level.
4. The Ministry of Fisheries and Marine Resources will be the responsible institution for the project implementation in Namibia with the UNDP as Implementing Agency.

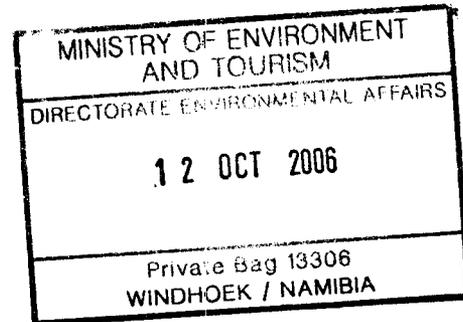
5. The proposal and the activities it seeks to undertake are hereby endorsed by copy of this letter.
6. Lastly, Namibia is pleased to report that due to our successful partnership with the GEF, the country has made great strides in addressing both local and regional environmental problems to minimise negative global impacts, with catalytic resources provided by the GEF.

I sincerely hope that you will consider this proposal favourably.



Yours faithfully,

Mr. Teofilus Nghitila
GEF Operational Focal Point: NAMIBIA
DIRECTOR: Environmental Affairs





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MINISTÉRIO DA ENERGIA E ÁGUAS

GABINETE PARA ADMINISTRAÇÃO DA BACIA HIDROGRÁFICA DO RIO CUNENE

OUR REF: 041/GEF-FP/06

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Dear Mrs. M. Barbut,

Subject: **Implementation of the SAP for the Benguela Current LME Commission**

I hereby confirm that the Government of the Republic of Angola fully endorses the GEF PDF B project "Implementation of the Strategic Action Programme for the Benguela Current LME Commission".

This project represents a successful transition from the endorsed SAP to a formally adopted long-term and sustainable management and policy structure for the BCLME.

Given this I therefore grant my re-endorsement of this project and would appreciate it if you could facilitate the approval of funding it.

Yours sincerely,

Armindo Mário Gomes da Silva
Angola GEF Focal Point



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Dear Dr Barbut

This letter serves to confirm that South Africa endorses the proposed application to the GEF for a PDF-B grant to develop a proposal for a second phase of the Benguela Current Large Marine Ecosystem Programme. My department would wish to be closely involved in development of the plan of action for the full project.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Pam Yako'.

Ms Pam Yako
DIRECTOR-GENERAL
DATE 25/10/06.



**PROJECT DEVELOPMENT FACILITY
REQUEST FOR PIPELINE ENTRY AND PDF BLOCK B
APPROVAL**



AGENCY'S PROJECT ID: 3849
GEFSEC PROJECT ID: TO BE ADDED
COUNTRY: Angola, Namibia, Republic of South Africa
PROJECT TITLE: Implementation of the Strategic Action Programme for the Benguela Current LME Commission
GEF AGENCY: UNDP
OTHER EXECUTING AGENCY(IES): UNOPS
PDF DURATION: 12 months
GEF FOCAL AREA: GEF OPERATIONAL PROGRAM: OP8
GEF STRATEGIC PRIORITY: SP1 & SP2
ESTIMATED STARTING DATE: March 2007
ESTIMATED WP ENTRY DATE: TO BE ADDED
PIPELINE ENTRY DATE: TO BE ADDED

FINANCING PLAN (US\$)	
GEF ALLOCATION	
Full Project (<i>estimated</i>)	8,000,000
Full Project Co-financing (<i>estimated</i>)	16,000,000
PDF A	
PDF B	667,304
PDF C	
Sub-Total GEF PDF	667,304
PDF CO-FINANCING (details provided in Part II, Section E - Budget)	
GEF Agency	53,550
National Contribution	169,800
Others	175,420
Sub-Total PDF Co-financing:	398,770
Total PDF Project Financing:	1,066,074

RECORD OF ENDORSEMENT ON BEHALF OF THE GOVERNMENT:

(Enter Name, Position, Ministry)
 Government of Angola

Date: (Month, day, year)

Government of Namibia

Government of the Republic of South Africa

25/10/06

This proposal has been prepared in accordance with GEF policies and procedures and meets the standards of the GEF Project Review Criteria for approval.

Yannick Glemarec
 Deputy Executive Coordinator, UNDP GEF

Nikhil Sekhran, UNDP GEF RBA
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