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Dear

Mokhtar,

THE WORLD BANK	
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**GEF-WORLD BANK SOUTH WEST INDIAN OCEAN FISHERIES
PROJECT (SWIOFP): COUNTRY ENDORSEMENT LETTER**

We write in response to the request by World Bank during the 4th Plenary SWIOFP Workshop in Maputo, Mozambique 9-15th January 2005 and subsequently by the attached e-mail, that all participating countries write to their World Bank country offices expressing confirmation that the project is still a priority and are willing to continue.

This is to hereby confirm that Kenya still holds the project with high priority in order to get to know the status and fish stock sizes at the offshore in her EEZ with an aim of establishing how we can sustainably exploit and manage them. We also recognize the need for regional collaboration in the sustainable exploitation and management of the offshore fish stocks due to their transboundary nature. Thus we reaffirm our recognition of the need of the regional collaboration of SWIOFP with the other countries in the Western Indian Ocean and participation in the next phase of the project.

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Kindly take the necessary action accordingly

Yours

Sincerely,


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