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Maputo, 9th November 2001

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**SUBJECT: Sustainable land use planning and water management for disaster preparedness and vulnerability reduction in the Lower Limpopo Basin**

Dear Madam,

On behalf of the Government of Mozambique and in my capacity as GEF Operational Focal Point, I hereby endorse the Proposal on the *Sustainable land use planning and water management for disaster preparedness and vulnerability reduction in the Lower Limpopo Basin* Project, PDF A, to be presented to the Global Environment Facility for funding.

This project is well integrated in our national strategies for poverty reduction, environmental management, biodiversity conservation and will be useful in the capacity building process for disaster preparedness and reduction of vulnerability to environmental disasters, such as floods and droughts.

We understand that the success of our national strategies requires a multidisciplinary approach, the involvement of different levels of governance and local communities, as well as the cooperation of neighbouring countries who share common water bodies such as the Limpopo river (benefiting from the availability and quality of the water) and the all wealth of natural resources laying in the Limpopo Basin. In fact, the ecosystem dynamic is not tied by political boundaries.

We take this opportunity to confirm our commitment for the success of the enabling process that Mozambique, Zimbabwe and South Africa are going to initiate.



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Dear Mr. Djoghlaif

**ENDORSEMENT OF SOUTH AFRICAN, REGIONAL AND GLOBAL GEF PROJECTS**

Please find attached for your attention and information a letter of endorsement sent to Mr Mohammed El-Ashry, Chairman and CEO of the GEF Secretariat.

I trust this will be of use to you.

Kind regards

Zaheer Fakir  
DIRECTOR: INTERNATIONAL LIAISON  
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Dear Mr El-Ashry

**ENDORSEMENT OF SOUTH AFRICAN, REGIONAL AND GLOBAL GEF PROJECTS**

I hereby wish to inform you that the following projects have been channelled through the various mechanisms we have established in order to evaluate GEF projects:

- BIODIVERSITY
  - Conserving the biodiversity of flagship plant groups of southern Africa – a programmatic approach to taxonomic capacity building. (PDF B - UNDP)
  
- CLIMATE CHANGE AND ENERGY EFFICIENCY
  - Assessment of Impacts and Adaptation to Climate Change in Multiple Regions and Sectors (Regional and Global - UNEP)
  
- CROSS CUTTING
  - Sustainable land use planning for integrated land and water management for disaster preparedness and vulnerability reduction in the Limpopo Basin - (PDF A - UNEP)  
Countries: South Africa, Mozambique, and Zimbabwe

It is clear from the recommendations that these projects have a broad based support and meets South Africa's national priorities in terms of the conservation and sustainable use of our biological diversity, climate change and international waters.

Given these recommendations I therefore grant my endorsement for these projects and would appreciate it if you could facilitate the approval of funding for them.

Yours sincerely



- DIRECTOR-GENERAL  
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**RE: ENDORSEMENT LETTER FOR SUSTAINABLE LAND USE PLANNING FOR INTEGRATED LAND AND WATER MANAGEMENT FOR DISASTER PREPAREDNESS AND VULNERABILITY REDUCTION IN THE LIMPOPO BASIN: GEF PDF 'A' PROJECT PROPOSAL FOR MOZAMBIQUE, SOUTH AFRICA AND ZIMBABWE**

My Ministry is pleased to support the above-mentioned Proposal on "Sustainable Land Use Planning for Integrated Land and Water Management for Disaster Preparedness and Vulnerability Reduction on the Limpopo Basin".

The need to mitigate environment and economic loses, reducing the risk of loosing life and biodiversity damage in future floods and other extreme weather events through a regional action plan cannot be over emphasised following recent floods in the region.

The project also falls within the SADC framework on regional integration and cooperation.

We look forward to working with UNEP in the development and implementation of this proposal.

Yours sincerely

M.T. Chinamora  
**SECRETARY FOR ENVIRONMENT AND TOURISM**