

Naoko Ishii CEO and Chairperson

December 12, 2017

Dear Council Member:

UNDP as the Implementing Agency for the project entitled: *Global (Argentina, Burkina Faso, Bhutan, Belarus, Colombia, Cabo Verde, Dominican Republic, Eritrea, Gambia, Jamaica, Madagascar, Mali, Malaysia, Nepal, Panama, Congo DR): GEF SGP Sixth Operational Phase-Strategic Implementation Using STAR Resources Tranche 1, Mainly in LDCs and SIDs (Part III)*, has submitted the attached proposed project document for CEO endorsement prior to final approval of the project document in accordance with UNDP procedures.

The Secretariat has reviewed the project document. It is consistent with the proposal approved by Council in May 2017 and the proposed project remains consistent with the Instrument and GEF policies and procedures. The attached explanation prepared by UNDP satisfactorily details how Council's comments and those of the STAP have been addressed. I am, therefore, endorsing the project document.

We have today posted the proposed project document on the GEF website at <u>www.TheGEF.org</u>. If you do not have access to the Web, you may request the local field office of UNDP or the World Bank to download the document for you. Alternatively, you may request a copy of the document from the Secretariat. If you make such a request, please confirm for us your current mailing address.

Sincerely,

Naoko Ishii Chief Executive Officer and Chairperson

Attachment: Copy to: GEFSEC Project Review Document Country Operational Focal Point, GEF Agencies, STAP, Trustee