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Your Excellency,

RE: SUBMISSION OF THE PROJECT SUPPORT DOCUMENT TO BE CONSIDERED FOR FINANCING BY THE GLOBAL ENVIRONMENTAL FACILITY (GEF)

The Government of the Republic of Zambia acting through the Ministry of Tourism, Environment and Natural Resources, hereby submits a Project Proposal to be considered for financing by the GEF, entitled "**National Capacity Self Assessment**".

The Government is very pleased to endorse this Proposal and is fully committed to the implementation of the Project over a sixteen (16) months' period. The Government considers the National Capacity Self Assessment (NCSA) process to be very important as it will help in defining the capacity gaps of all stakeholders in effective management of the environment and natural resources.

In pursuit of the NCSA Operational Guidelines, the Focal Points for the three (03) Convention Secretariats have been fully consulted and their views taken into account in the formulation of this proposal.

The Assessment also has come at an appropriate time as the country has experienced capacity drain due to unfavourable economic situation in the country as well as the impact of HIV/AIDS.

Hence, if the country is to attain the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs), there is need to ascertain the capacity available and develop strategies for strengthening it. It is in this vein that we are looking forward to GEF to favourably consider the proposal that will enable us address the capacity gaps.

The Government is committed to provide funding amounting to fifty six thousand (56,000) USD as its contribution to the process of the National Capacity Self Assessment.

We trust, Your Excellency, that this Project Proposal will meet your most favourable consideration.

With the highest consideration,



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