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Subject: Endorsement for the Integrated Transboundary River Basin Management in the Limpopo Basin project (Regional)

In my capacity as GEF Operational Focal Point for Botswana, I confirm that the above project proposal (a) is in accordance with my government's national priorities and our commitment to the relevant global environmental conventions; and (b) was discussed with relevant stakeholders, including the global environmental convention focal points.

I am pleased to endorse the preparation of the above project proposal with the support of the GEF Agency(ies) listed below. If approved, the proposal will be prepared and during the project development phase, the most suitable entity to implement this regional project will be selected for their implementation capacity and mandates relevant to the project, based on the results of capacity assessment. I request the GEF Agency(ies) to provide a copy of the project document before it is submitted to the GEF Secretariat for CEO endorsement.

The total financing (from GEFTF, LDCF, SCCF) being requested for this project is US\$6,789,000, inclusive of project preparation grant (PPG), if any, and Agency fees for project cycle management services associated with the total GEF grant. The financing requested for this regional project [Botswana, Mozambique, South Africa and Zimbabwe] is detailed in the table below.

Source of Funds	GEF Agency	Focal Area	Amount (in US\$)			
			Project Preparation	Project	Fee	Total
GEFTF	UNDP	International Waters	200,000	6,000,000	589,000	6,789,000
Total GEF Resources			200,000	6,000,000	589,000	6,789,000

Sincerely,

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Botshabelo Othusitse

GEF Operational Focal Point for Botswana
&
Deputy Director
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