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**To: Mr. Pradeep Kurukulasuriya**

Executive Coordinator and Director, UNDP-GEF  
United Nations Development Programme  
304 East 45<sup>th</sup> Street, Room 982  
New York, NY 10017, USA  
United Nations Development Programme

**Subject: Endorsement for Mainstreaming climate change and eco-system based approaches into the sustainable management of the Living Marine Resources of the WCPFC.**

In my capacity as GEF Operational Focal Point for Vanuatu, I confirm that the above project proposal (a) is in accordance with the Vanuatu Sustainable Development Plan (NSDP) or the People's Plan which is the umbrella plan that all ministries are implementing their corporate plans toward achieving its policy objectives. It has three main pillars: society, environment and economy and thus 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 listed below. If approved, the proposal will be prepared and implemented by the Pacific Island Forum Fisheries Agency (FFA) I request the GEF Agency to provide a copy of the project document before it is submitted to the GEF Secretariat for CEO endorsement. Also in endorsing the LOE, Vanuatu would like to see high levels of engagement with GEF Operational Focal Points in the development of project design and in participation within the project PSC.

The total financing from GEFTF being requested for this project is US\$ 11,278,500 inclusive of project preparation grant (PPG) and Agency fees for project cycle management services associated with the total GEF grant. The financing requested for the project is given in the table below.

Source of Funds	GEF Agency	Focal Area	Amount (in US\$)			
			Project Preparation	Project	Fee	Total
GETF	UNDP	IW	300,000	10,000,000	978,500	11,278,500
<b>Total GEF Resources</b>			<b>300,000</b>	<b>10,000,000</b>	<b>978,500</b>	<b>11,278,500</b>

Yours Sincerely,



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