SUMMARY OF SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET REQUESTS
INTRODUCTION

1. This Information Document summarizes the impact on the FY06 Corporate Budget if each of the four budgetary items, to be considered individually by the Council, are approved.

2. At its June 2005 meeting, the Council reviewed the proposal for a corporate budget presented in document GEF/C.25/7, and approved a FY06 corporate budget of US$ 24.928 million comprising:

   (a) US$ 23.373 million for the resource requirements of the six GEF units (Secretariat, UNDP, UNEP, World Bank, STAP and Trustee) for their planned corporate management activities and deliverables; and

   (b) Special initiatives in the amount of US$ 0.55 million to operationalize the Resource Allocation Framework; US$ 0.075 million for the fourth replenishment of the GEF Trust Fund, and US$ 0.93 million to prepare for the Third Assembly.

The budget for the independent Office of Monitoring and Evaluation, the seventh GEF unit, was considered and approved under a separate agenda item.

Supplemental Budget Request

3. The following supplemental budget requests amounting to a total of US$ 1.369 million are being proposed for Council review and approval:

   (a) US$ 425,000 as a special initiative, for GEF activities to contribute to the International Year of Deserts and Desertification. Details are in GEF/C.27/11.

   (b) US$ 700,000, as a special initiative, to establish a Management Information System. Details are presented in GEF/C.27/10.

   (c) US$ 64,000, to facilitate regular consultations and communications between Council Members representing recipient countries and their respective constituencies. Details are presented in GEF/C.27/8.

   (d) US$ 180,000, to the World Bank’s GEF Corporate budget, to support the CEO selection process, on behalf of the three Implementing Agencies, if required by the Council. Details are in GEF/C.27/7.

4. If the Council approves the above items, the total Corporate Budget approved for FY06 would amount to US$ 26.297 million.