



DIRECCIÓN GENERAL DE COOPERACIÓN Y RELACIONES
INTERNACIONALES - COSTA RICA

San José, March 25, 2009
DGCRI-147-2009

To: Mrs. Luiza Carvalho
UNDP, Resident Representative
UNDP, San José, Costa Rica

Subject: "Consolidating Costa Rica's Marine Protected Areas (MPAs) System"

In my capacity as GEF Operational Focal Point for Costa Rica, I confirm that the above project proposal (a) is in accordance with the government's national priorities and the commitments made by Costa Rica under the relevant global environmental conventions and (b) has been discussed with relevant stakeholders, including the global environmental convention focal points, in accordance with GEF's policy on public involvement.

Accordingly, I am pleased to endorse the preparation of the above project proposal with the support of UNDP. If approved, the proposal will be prepared and implemented by Ministry of Environment, Energy and Telecommunications. Further, I request UNDP to provide a copy of the project document for Costa Rica forever, before it is submitted to the GEF Secretariat for CEO endorsement.

I understand that the total GEF financing being requested for this project is \$2,050,000.00; inclusive of project preparation grant (PPG), if any, and Agency fee (10%) to UNDP for project cycle management services associated with this project.

I consent to the utilization of the following indicative allocations available to Costa Rica in GEF-4 under the GEF Resource Allocation Framework to cover the GEF project preparation and implementation as well as the associated Agency fees for this project.

Biodiversity: \$ 2,050,000.00

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Rubén Muñoz Robles".

Rubén Muñoz Robles
OPERATIONAL FOCAL POINT
Costa Rica

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