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Dear Council Member,

I am writing in reference to my letter of February 15, 2006, under cover of which we circulated for Council review and approval the February Intersessional Work Program.

I am pleased to inform you that the following decision has been approved:

The Council reviewed the proposed intersessional work program transmitted to Council on February 15, 2006 and approves it subject to the following as requested in comments submitted to the Secretariat by Council Members.

The Council finds that with the exception of:

1. **Regional (Dominica, St. Lucia, St. Vincent and Grenadines): Implementation of Pilot Adaptation Measures in Coastal Areas of Dominica, St. Lucia and St. Vincent & the Grenadines,**
2. **Mexico: Integrated Energy Services for Small Localities of Rural Mexico,**
3. **Global: Supporting Country Early Action on Protected Areas,**
4. **China: Conservation and Sustainable Utilization of Wild Relatives of Crops,**
5. **Ghana: Ghana Urban Transport, and**
6. **Pakistan: Sustainable Land Management for Combating Desertification (Phase 1),**

each project presented to it as part of the work program is or would be consistent with the Instrument and GEF policies and procedures and may be endorsed by the CEO for final approval by the Implementing or Executing Agency, provided that the CEO circulates to the Council Members, prior to endorsement, draft final project documents fully incorporating the Council's comments on the work program accompanied by a satisfactory explanation by the CEO of how such comments and comments of the STAP reviewer have been addressed and a confirmation by the CEO that the project

continues to be consistent with the Instrument and GEF policies and procedures.¹

With respect to the following projects:

- 1. Regional (Dominica, St. Lucia, St. Vincent and Grenadines): Implementation of Pilot Adaptation Measures in Coastal Areas of Dominica, St. Lucia and St. Vincent & the Grenadines, and**
- 2. Mexico: Integrated Energy Services for Small Localities of Rural Mexico,**

the Council requests the Secretariat to arrange for Council Members to receive the draft final project documents and transmit to the CEO within four weeks any concerns they may have prior to the CEO endorsing the project document for final approval by the Implementing or Executing Agency. The projects may be reviewed at a subsequent Council meeting at the request of at least four Council Members.

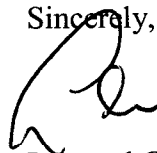
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the Council requests that the project proposals be deferred for consideration at the June 2006 Council meeting.

The Secretariat will be posting all comments received on the work program at the GEF website's WWW.TheGef.org.

Sincerely,



Leonard Good
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cc: Alternates, all those invited to Council meetings

¹ One Council Member, in light of national legislation regarding the country's voting position for development projects financed by certain development institutions, opposed the following project proposal: *Cuba: Mainstreaming and Sustaining Biodiversity Conservation in Three Productive Sectors of the Sabana Camaguey Ecosystem.*