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Mrs. Therese Turner-Jones
Country Representative
Inter-American Development Bank, Jamaica
40 Knutsford Boulevard, Kingston 5

Dear Mrs. Turner-Jones,

Re. GEF/CBIT Project to Support the Government of Jamaica in the Development of a Measuring, Reporting and Verification (MRV) System as outlined in Article 13 of the Paris Agreement

As a party to the Paris Agreement, Jamaica has agreed to an enhanced transparency framework for action and support. This action will inform the global stocktake to assess collective progress towards achieving the purpose of the Agreement and the country's set climate targets. To support this process, the Global Environment Facility (GEF) has established the Capacity Building Initiative for Transparency (CBIT) to help developing countries strengthen their ability to meet this essential element of the Agreement.

The Climate Change Division (CCD) of the Ministry of Economic Growth and Job Creation (MEGJC) is pleased to endorse the project concept note referenced above and requests Inter-American Development Bank (IDB) to proceed to develop the Project Identification Form (PIF) for submission to GEF. As a GEF's accredited implementing agency, IDB is expected to facilitate implementation of the project.

The project is in alignment with Goal 4 of Vision 2030 Jamaica - National Development Plan, which focuses on the development of a comprehensive integrated approach to climate change and will seek to develop a national financial and technical MRV system. This will allow for the strengthening of Jamaica's transparency framework, ensuring successful coordination of the entities involved in the implementation of the country's Nationally Determined Contribution (NDC).

The CCD looks forward to the development and approval of the project, and our successful collaboration in implementation.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs. Audrey V. Sewell, CD, JP

Permanent Secretary

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