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CC: Mr. Arnold Kreilhuber
Regional Director
UNEP Europe Office
Geneva, Switzerland

Subject: GCF-UNEP Project “Strengthening Climate Information and Multi-Hazard Early Warning Systems for Increased Resilience in Azerbaijan” – Project Implementation Arrangements

Dear Mr. Zoetelief,

I am writing to express our appreciation of the cooperation with UNEP on the formulation of the project proposal to the Green Climate Fund (GCF) entitled “Strengthening Climate Information and Multi-Hazard Early Warning Systems for Increased Resilience in Azerbaijan”. We reiterate our support to this project and commitment to implement it in full compliance with the national legislation, international best practice, and accountability requirements of the funding party.

The Ministry of Ecology and Natural Resources of Azerbaijan and its National Hydrometeorological Service will be the main nationally designated authority and co-financier of the project. At the same time, to ensure full compliance with the UNEP and GCF policies, fiduciary standards, financial management and reporting requirements, we would like to request the assistance of UNEP to act as the Executing Entity in this project and taking charge of the project implementation, administration, financial management and reporting. In fulfilling these functions, we expect UNEP to involve a range of national,

regional partners and international entities which would bring relevant expertise and capacity to contribute to the delivery of the substantive project outputs.

Using this opportunity, I would like to renew to UNEP our highest consideration and express our readiness to continue our fruitful cooperation.

Sincerely,

Mukhtar Babayev
Minister

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