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Dear Ms. Hayward,

Subject: Supervision of the Proposed “Improvement of Food Systems Supply Services in Rural Tanzania in Adaptation to COVID-19 Project” by MVIWATA (Producer Organization)

Reference is made to the letter from the Network of Smallholder Farmers in Tanzania (MVIWATA) dated 24 June 2021 with Ref.MV.A.1.2/GC/2021/133, which nominated the African Development Bank Group (“the Bank”) as the Supervising Entity (SE) for the proposed “**Improvement of Food Systems Supply Services in Rural Tanzania in Adaptation to COVID-19 Project**”. We would like to take this opportunity to express our pleasure and willingness in supporting the proposed project as the SE.

Having reviewed and discussed the proposal submitted by MNIWATA, we are happy to note that the proposal aligns well with the ongoing local, regional, continental and global policies, strategies and development objectives to alleviate the challenges of food insecurity, hunger, social-economic inequality and environmental degradation. We also noted that the proposed intervention will be complementing initiatives by other development partners in the country.

Upon approval of the proposal, the Bank will initiate the project preparation for consideration of the Bank’s Board of Directors before the end of 2022. The indicative milestones include:

1. Project Preparation and Appraisal: February to April 2022
2. Approval by the Bank’s Board of Directors: July 2022



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3. First Disbursement from SE to Government: September 2022

4. End of Project Activity: June 2026

Given our experience in successfully supervising similar projects in the country, we would like to assure you that the Bank will offer its optimum support to ensure successful implementation and achievement of its planned objectives. The list of projects in the same sector supported by the Bank in the country and their respective ratings are given in the Annex 1.

Please accept the assurance of my consideration and highest esteem.

Yours sincerely,

Martin FREGENE
Director

Annex 1: List of On-going and Pipeline Projects Supported/Supervised by the Bank



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Sn	Project Title	Financier	Cost (USD Million)	Status	Recent Rating
1.	Tanzania Initiative for Aflatoxin Prevention (TANIPAC)	GAFSP and AfDB	35	On-going	Good
2.	Agro-industrial Development Program	AfDB	50	Under designing	N/A
3.	Institutional Support for Climate and Seasonal Weather Information for Adaptation Planning in Northern Tanzania	AfDB	0.5	Just Completed	Very Good