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Steering Committee Global Agriculture and Food Security Programme (GAFSP) Washington, DC

Dear Steering Committee Members,

It is with great pleasure that we submit the attached documents for the GAFSP Call for Proposal 2021 to contribute to Haiti's medium- to long-term COVID-19 response efforts for a more sustainable, inclusive, and resilient recovery of the agriculture sector and food systems in a changing climate - in short, to support Haiti to Build Back Better.

On behalf of the World Food Programme (WFP) and the Réseau des organisations de producteurs-trices agricoles de la. Grand'Anse (ROPAGA) and its partner Action Aid Haiti (AAH), please find attached the proposal on "*Promotion of Resilient Agroforestry in Grand'Anse-scaling up and professionalizing current small-scale initiatives*".

The requested budget for this proposal is USD \$2,999,703.79.

This proposal has been extensively discussed and agreed between the WFP and the ROPAGA and AAH, and we are honoured to have the opportunity to serve as Supervising Entity in this submission.

This project will be a stand-alone project with the following milestones:

<u>Objective</u>: To increase smallholder farmers' productivity and revenue in a sustainable manner in the Grand'Anse department through the promotion of inclusive, climate resilient production, agroforestry, and product transformation.

This will be driven by technical assistance, innovative access to finance and markets, built on lessons learned from current and past experiences.

Proposed components and activities:

Component 1: Improving Food Security and Resilience to Climate Shocks and Natural Disasters

- Activity 1: Propagation and Planting of Agroforestry Trees
- Activity 2: Livestock improvement
- Activity 3: Cultivating Women's Gardens

Component 2: Improving access to markets for agricultural products

- Activity 1: Establishing farm-to-market transportation routes
- Activity 2: Branding and Marketing Support
- Activity 3: Developing small-scale transformation capacities

Component 3: Improving Access to Agricultural Finance

- Activity 1: Expansion of MUSO/AVEC groups
- Activity 2: Revolving Credit Fund for Post- Harvest Processing Equipment

Component 4: Institutional strengthening of ROPAGA as a leading organization in sustainable agriculture development in the Grand'Anse department.



The project aims to be signed by February 2022, so as to begin the first disbursement by March 2022. According to the current work plan, the expected end of activity will be in April 2025.

WFP will leverage its ongoing efforts to create synergies where possible and enhance the effectiveness, efficiency, and, most importantly, the impact of this project vis-à-vis other initiatives and investments. In particular, WFP will ensure synergies with other GAFSP activities, ongoing or planned in Haiti.

WFP Haiti implements activities and programmes according to its Country Strategic Plan (2019-2023) in all the departments of the country. The overall WFP CSP (2019-2023) budget is USD 459,877,890 and the funding level to date is USD 246,589,576.02 USD (of which \$164,505,466 in confirmed contributions from January 2020). A substantial portion of WFP activities align and complement with the efforts under this proposal, contributing to smallholder market access, sustainable food systems and overall resilience building. In particular, the below are the planned scope of activities, based on needs and expected resources:

Country Activity	Needs-Based Plan	Current Budget (USD) <sup>1</sup>	% Resourced
SMS1 - 04 Improved Smallholder Market Access	1,979,830.05	601,255.00	30%
SMP1 - 05 Home Grown School Feeding	14,406,363.21	13,816,101.88	96%
ACL1 - 06 FFA for Resilience	53,736,241.02	15,748,546.00	29%

The proposal is the result of extensive collaboration among the project partners, each of whom brings unique expertise and experience to the challenges of climate-related stressors, the impact of COVID-19, and violence in the region. We are pleased to be able to present this proposal to you jointly, and we appreciate your consideration.

We look forward to your feedback.

Sincerely,

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> This budget doesn't include support costs