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Subject : Submission of the Central African Republic's Project Proposal for Financing in Response to GAFSP's 5th Call for Proposals 2019

Dear Sir/Madam,

Within the New Partnership for Africa's Development (NEPAD) and the Comprehensive Africa Agriculture Development Program (CAADP), the Central African Government with the African Union support, finalized and launched the National Agricultural Investment Program, Nutrition Food Security (PNIASAN) on 20 December 2013 during a business meeting.

PNIASAN's total budget amounts to FCFA 357.389 billion, or USD601.795 million. However, the Government could only mobilize FCFA 48.75 billion (USD82.090 million), approximately 13.6% of the total budget, leaving a gap of FCFA 308.639 billion (USD519.701 million). In order to reduce that financing gap, the Central African Republic Government is making efforts to mobilize resources. The "Global Agriculture and Food Security Program" (GAFSP) was identified as a potential co-financier for PNIASAN.

The Support Project for Reinforcement of Resilience and Food and Nutrition Security in Kemo and Ouaka Districts (PARSANKO), which is being submitted to GAFSP for financing was elaborated with the assistance of a technical team (Food and Agriculture Organisation of the United Nations) and financial partner [the African Development Bank (AfDB)]. The project will help support the 2nd Pillar of the Central African Republic's Peace Recovery and Consolidation Plan (RCPCA) on the aspects of reinforcement of nutritional security and resilience, the 3rd Pillar of the RCPCA on the revival of the productive sectors through rehabilitation and construction of infrastructure and contribute to development of the private sector and employment generation. Furthermore, the project will have similar objectives to the RCPCA, especially concerning gender equality, youth engagement and environmental sustainability.

The preparation of the proposal involved a consultative and participative process with stakeholders such as development partners, the civil society, Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs), the private sector and the project beneficiaries.

PARSANKO will be implemented over a period of six years. The total project cost is USD27.8 million, broken down as follows: (i) AfDB, will contribute USD9.8 million corresponding to 35.2% of the total project cost; (ii) GAFSP's contribution is estimated at USD 18.0 million corresponding to 64.8% of the total project cost, including USD1 million for FAO's technical assistance; (iii) the beneficiaries through in-kind contribution¹; and (iv) the Central African Government contribution will be in the form of taxes and duties exemption applied on goods and services that will be procured as part of the project².


Please find attached the Central African Government's proposal to GAFSP for its financing as well as the relevant documents according to GAFSP's Public Sector Window 2019 Call for Proposals (March 2019). The proposal is fully supported by the President of the Agriculture and Rural Development Group and the Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development of the Central African Republic.

We highly anticipate a favorable consideration of this proposal for financing.

Yours sincerely,

The Minister of Economy, Planning and
Cooperation


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The Minister of Agriculture and Rural
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