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Dear Ms. Hayward,

**Letter of Support from the African Development Bank as the Selected Supervising Entity  
for Côte d'Ivoire GAFSP Proposal**

As per the attached letter Ref: 1351/MINADER/DGPSP/DPPF/BCK/ dated 29 March 2019, the African Development Bank was selected by the Government of the Republic of Côte d'Ivoire as the preferred Supervising Entity to respond to the GAFSP fifth Call for Proposals. The Bank responded favorably and assisted the Ivoirian authorities in preparing the attached proposal titled "**Strengthening the livelihoods of smallholder actors and women in the N'zi region**". The African Development Bank discussed the proposal extensively with the authorities and other stakeholders. The proposal is in close synergy with and compliments on-going interventions in support of smallholder farmers with the purpose of reducing food and nutritional insecurities among the households in the target areas, where poverty incidence is very high.

The Bank is ready to serve as Supervising Entity and assist the Government of Côte d'Ivoire in all aspects related to the formulation, approval, implementation and supervision of the project resulting from this proposal. The Bank has a broad range of experience in the design and implementation of food and nutrition security programs. The Bank's West Africa Regional Development and Business Delivery Office (RDGW) will strengthen its supervisory role in the project rollout.

Yours sincerely,

  
for  
**Martin FREGENE**  
Director



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