



CAFI Executive Board Decision

Gabon No-cost extension of “project CAFI 2 Expansion of Protected Areas and Optimization of Land use for Food Crop Production in Gabon” implemented by UNDP – [\[00122613\]](#)

Adopted by email on 02.07.2025

EB.2025.32

Considering:

- The CAFI Declaration and the persisting challenge of forest loss and food security in Gabon.
- The [Letter of Intent](#) signed between CAFI and Gabon on 27 June 2017.
- The [EB.2020.05](#) that approved the project « Expansion of Protected Areas and Optimization of Land Use for Food Crop Production » with authorization to disburse USD 5,000,000.
- The originally approved timeline of the project, running from 02 July 2020 to 30 June 2023.
- The Provision from the [Memorandum of Understanding](#) (Section II Para 7) “Each Participating UN Organization will use the funds disbursed to it by the Administrative Agent from the Fund Account to carry out the activities for which it is responsible as set out in the approved programmatic document”.
- Decision [EB.2023.15](#) that approved a no-cost extension of the project until 31 December 2024, and requested an external assessment of the project operational modalities to establish the cost effectiveness of the request and present the findings to the Executive Board.
- The requested evaluation was not completed due to the political changes experienced in Gabon on August 30, 2023.
- UNDP’s Letter (**CAFI/PNUD/GAB/LG/CM/GR**) requesting a second no-cost extension to the program in reference,

The Executive Board:

1. Thanks, UNDP (referred here as “implementing organization”), for their progress assessment and justification provided to demand a non-cost extension.
2. Rejects the no-cost extension of the CAFI 2 project.

3. Requests the implementing organization to prepare and submit the final narrative and financial report, as outlined in the manual of operations.