

Approval of disbursement to DRC Investment Programs Approved by mail on October 18, 2016

EB.2016.21

Whereas CAFI signed a letter of intent with the Government of DRC on April 22, 2016;

Whereas the Executive Board decision EB.2016.04 on the funding allocation to DRC designated the Government of Norway as representative of the CAFI Executive Board in the National REDD+ Steering Committee;

Whereas the Technical Committee meeting of the DRC National REDD+ Fund recommended four programs for approval;

Whereas the Ministry of Finance of DRC, as Chair of the National REDD+ Fund Steering Committee, requested the Administrative Agent of CAFI and MPTF to disburse 40M US\$ to support the programs to be approved;

Whereas the second Steering Committee meeting of the DRC National REDD+ Fund will be held on October 20, 2016;

The Executive Board

- 1. <u>Recommends</u> that the CAFI representative in the Steering Committee votes for the approval of the following programs:
 - a. Mai Ndombé integrated program (World Bank)
 - b. National Forest Monitoring System (FAO)
 - c. Support to civil society (UNDP)
 - d. Support to indigenous peoples (World Bank)
- 2. Recommends that the conditions proposed by the Technical Committee for each of the programs above and as stated in technical committee resolutions CT02/2016/RES/01, 03, 07 and 08 be taken into account when the Steering Committee makes its decisions.



- 3. Reiterates its decision EB.2016.10 on the M&E framework, and more specifically:
 - a. Recommends not to accept FONAREDD indicators for integrated programs as they were presented in during the 2nd Technical Committee meeting
 - Recommends that in line with EB.2016.10 there are at least one indicator <u>per outcome</u> in integrated programs and IOs can propose additional outcome level indicators if none of the CAFI indicators are appropriate for a specific component of an integrated program
 - c. Proposes that FONAREDD indicators are completed, for the 5 missing outcomes, with CAFI outcome indicators.
 - d. Proposes that the FONAREDD indicator for family planning reflects impact (eg. Contraceptive rate) rather than inputs (number of trainings).
 - e. Proposes to accept FONAREDD indicators for sectoral reform (including for sustainable forest management), with the understanding that they are all compulsory
 - f. Proposes that the CAFI outcome indicators for the sectors (including for sustainable forest management) are disseminated as optional additional indicators
- 4. Approves the transfer of 40MUS\$ from CAFI Trust Fund to FONAREDD to support the funding of
 - a. priority programs and
 - b. the 2017 FONAREDD Secretariat budget to ensure proper national coordination, monitoring and programming of the subsequent CAFI allocation to FONAREDD.
- 5. Recalls the importance of a robust and competent FONAREDD Secretariat to successfully manage such a large and complex portfolio.
- 6. Requests the CAFI Secretariat and the MPTF-O to support the establishment of a permanent secretariat for FONAREDD according to an agreed workplan with FONAREDD to ensure:
 - a. that the existing capacity of the interim secretariat is increased
 - b. a smooth and rapid transition from the interim arrangements to permanent arrangements



- c. senior level coordination of the secretariat and active backup from the CAFI Secretariat and the MPTF-O
- d. the rapid start of the recruitment process.
- 7. Reminds FONAREDD that as per MPTF-O operational procedures no funding transfer will be completed to any implementing partner without the approval of the 2017 FONAREDD Secretariat budget.