

DECISION OF THE CAFI EXECUTIVE BOARD

Equatorial Guinea

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Considering:

- the submission to the CAFI of a 2nd version of Equatorial Guinea's National REDD+ Investment Framework (NIF),
- the reviews of the independent evaluators,
- the integration of land use and forest considerations in the 3rd National Economic Conference, and in the subsequent development of the new National Economic Development Strategy of Equatorial Guinea,

the CAFI EB

- 1) Sends it renewed thanks for the high-level delegation who participated in the 14th CAFI Executive Board meeting
- 2) Asks the government of Equatorial Guinea, to finalize, with FAO support, revisions of their NIF based on the 2nd independent evaluation and provide a response matrix
- 3) Congratulates the authorities on their concrete advances on land use planning, and encourages them to continue a full integration of forests and land use issues in this process, as well as the integration of forest-friendly land use planning in their new National Development Strategy
- 4) Reiterates its encouragement to monitor the governance of the forestry sector and the effects on timber production of the 2018 prohibition of the export of round wood
- 5) Encourages the Government to engage on policy and technical level with neighboring countries
- 6) Will suggest a roadmap for a high-level policy dialogue between the Government and the CAFI Executive Board, on the basis of updated data.