

CAFI Executive Board Decision

Mandate for the CAFI Executive Board representatives in FONAREDD's Technical Steering Committee to grant an exception to the Operation Manual and to the Decision EB.2023.26 to approve the 2nd no-cost extension of the support project to the FONAREDD Executive Secretariat until October 31, 2024.

Adopted by e-mail on 12.08.2024

EB.2024.27

Considering:

- The CAFI Executive Board <u>decision EB.2023.26</u> approved on September 16, 2023, stating that no extension, at or without cost, will be granted by the Board to projects that have repeatedly failed to comply to the reporting deadlines and format set out in the CAFI Operation Manual;
- The non-submission of the annual report of the Support Project to the FONAREDD executive secretariat on May 16, 2024;
- The <u>draft decision submitted by the FONAREDD Executive Secretariat</u> to its Steering Committee on July 31, 2024, requesting a 2nd no-cost extension of the phase 1 of the support project to FONAREDD Executive Secretariat until October 31, 2024;
- The <u>minutes of the call between CAFI representatives</u>, <u>UNDP and FONAREDD</u> held on July 30, 2024;

The Executive Board:

 Authorizes on an exceptional basis the CAFI Executive Board representatives in the FONAREDD's Technical Steering Committee to (i) grant an exception from the CAFI Operation Manual and its <u>decision EB.2023.26</u> and to approve the FONAREDD's Technical Steering Committee Decision n° 01/07/24 requesting UNDP to proceed with a 2nd no-cost extension of the current support project to the FONAREDD Executive Secretariat until October 31, 2024. 2. Request CAFI representatives to request UNDP to submit by August 13th, to FONAREDD's governance structures, a simple narrative document gathering (i) the context of the NCE request, (ii) the budgeted work plan, (iii) the quantitative results (targets) expected for the extension (i.e. August-October 2024), (iv) the deadlines for achieving the results, and (v) the detailed budget; Upon satisfactory review of the narrative document by CAFI representatives, request CAFI representatives to approve the disbursement of 325.411,58 USD, based on the balance available in the overall envelope of the SE-FONAREDD Support Project, Phase 1, to cover the extension period granted, according to the demonstration of needs previously submitted by FONAREDD.