Management Group (MG) of the UN-REDD Programme Decisions of meeting of 18 July 2012

Participants:

MG members and alternates (* denotes current Chair)

FAO: Tiina Vahanen*, Mette Loyche Wilkie

UNDP: Tim Clairs UNEP: Mario Boccucci Secretariat: Yemi Katerere

Apologies: Charles McNeill, Tim Christophersen

Others

Secretariat: Thais Linhares-Juvenal, Sharon McAuslan

1. Approval of minutes of previous MG call (11 July):

a. Approved

2. Update from SG call of 16 July:

Tier 2 in DRC

- a. The SG has confirmed that the DRC project should be Tier 2 on the basis that MG had endorsed the DRC proposal to be eligible to be Tier 2
- b. Circulate previous correspondence with Norway to the MG (Secretariat)
- c. Provide further information on the intended internal agreement, expected signatures, and the role of UNEP and FAO as well as that of the UNRC (UNDP/Tim).
- d. Communicate to DRC the approval of the proposed request. Given the sensitivity of this issue, the timing needs to be determined carefully and we may need to seek further guidance from SG on this matter (to be clarified in the next call, *Secretariat?*)

SG visit to Oslo and donor consultation before PB 9

 Recruit consultant to prepare materials on achievements of the UN-REDD Programme to inform SG discussions with donors, and also as contribution to other processes, including the 2012 Year in Review (Secretariat).

MG support to PB9

a. Share draft project plan indicating detailed plans for PB9 preparation and specific activities the MG will support (*Secretariat*, 19.07.12)

<u>Transitional plan for Head of Secretariat</u>

a. MG noted good progress regarding transitional arrangements that are being put in place.

3. Communications Strategy:

a. The MG recognized the excellent process that was coordinated by the Secretariat in preparing the Strategy, and endorsed it, taking note of comments made (including the need for messages to be results orientated) and with an understanding that the Strategy is a living document. Budgetary issues will be considered in line with the review of the GP budget (Secretariat).

4. PB Review: next steps

a. Information update from Secretariat only – A communication will be sent to the Working Group regarding extending the timeline to deliver the review. Secretariat will proceed with recruitment.

5. Targeted Support:

- a. Agreed on need for stock taking to improve the understanding of targeted support and also to further enhance coordination:
 - Tables that UNDP and FAO have shared detailing TS activities provide a starting point for stock taking exercise (UNEP to provide respective table).
 - Need to manage expectations of countries and clarify what is Targeted Support is (and isn't), which should be consistent with note presented to PB8 to avoid multiple revisions (Secretariat)
 - Share draft note outlining procedures and processes with MG following consideration by GP
 WG (Secretariat). Should ultimately be shared with regional and country teams

6. AOB

- a. Action Team established to take forward task assigned by SG to UNEP on future vision, related to Green Economy and transformation of forest sector (*Julie Greenwalt*)
- b. Brief SG member on steps taken so far regarding implementation of assigned tasks, in advance of next SG meeting where implementation of SG decisions will be reviewed (MG)

7. Date of next meeting

2:30pm CET 25 July