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Request to join the UN-REDD Programme

Dear Dr Rahim Hj Nik,

Thank you for submitting Malaysia's request to participate in the UN-REDD Programme. We are pleased to inform you that the UN-REDD Programme's Policy Board has agreed to Malaysia's request to participate in the UN-REDD Programme. Please allow me to detail what this participation entails.

Malaysia will have access to our online collaborative community of practice, receive sponsorship to attend regional training sessions and workshops when possible, and will be included on the UN-REDD Programme's mailing list for key documents and information emerging from the Programme's body of work.

In addition, Malaysia may be invited to submit a funding request for a National Programme in the future if selected by the Policy Board in accordance to the UN-REDD Programme set of criteria to prioritize funding for new countries.

The UN-REDD Programme traditionally invites countries with the status of an observer, to participate in Policy Board meetings. Malaysia, as an observer, can attend these meetings, but unfortunately the Programme does not sponsor observers' participation.

Malaysia will receive an invitation to the upcoming UN-REDD Policy Board meeting to be held in the Republic of Congo and along with my colleagues in the UN Agencies we look forward to discussing our collaboration further.

The UN-REDD Programme welcomes Malaysia's participation as a further sign of its engagement and commitment to the REDD+ agenda.

Sincerely,



Yemi Katerere
Head, UN-REDD Programme Secretariat