

1 October 2009

Dear Mr. Tuwo,

**Submission of the UN-REDD National Joint Programme Document**

Referring to my previous letter dated 2 September 2009 on the subject of Preliminary Submission of the UN-REDD National Joint Programme Document, it is my pleasure to submit to you the final draft Joint Programme Document (JPD) for the United Nations Reducing Emissions from Deforestation and Forest Degradation Programme in Indonesia as per request from the Ministry of Forestry (see attached letter and final draft JPD).

We are very pleased with the strong leadership and commitment shown by the Government of Indonesia in promoting REDD forward on the global agenda. We are also thankful for the thorough process of preparing the UN-REDD JPD by the Government of Indonesia, and further numerous in-depth consultations and discussions with key-stakeholders from relevant Government agencies, development partners, Indigenous Peoples Representatives and CSOs. Together with other important initiatives from the Government of Indonesia, we foresee that the UN-REDD Programme will become instrumental in developing Indonesia's REDD readiness and thus significantly contribute to global efforts of reducing greenhouse gas emissions from deforestation and forest degradation.

The United Nations looks forward to working with the Government of Indonesia to implement this strategic programme. Given the urgency to start the implementation process, I would appreciate it if you could consider giving priority to the review and endorsement of the UN-REDD JPD.

Thank you for your kind cooperation and consideration on this important matter.

Yours sincerely,

  
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