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Subject: Request for UN-REDD Programme targeted support for national REDD+ readiness

In response to your request, received 20 March 2012, I am pleased to confirm that the amount of \$85,000 USD is available as targeted support for building approaches to address corruption risks and equitable benefit sharing in Nepal's initial national REDD+ strategy. This targeted support responds to specific technical and capacity needs identified by the Government of Nepal to strengthen national REDD+ readiness efforts. This support is part of the UN-REDD Programme's "Support to National REDD+ Actions – Global Programme 2011-2015"; strengthening national systems for transparent, equitable, credible and accountable management of REDD+ funding.

Our colleagues in UNDP Nepal will be in contact with you regarding the necessary documentation to release the funds.

UNDP is committed to the successful implementation of targeted support to the Government of Nepal's REDD+ readiness efforts. We are at your disposal for policy and technical advice as part of the UN-REDD Programme.

Should you have any concerns or questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

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