FOREST CARBON PARTNERSHIP FACILITY (FCPF)

EIGHTH PARTICIPANTS COMMITTEE MEETING March 23-25, 2011 Dalat, Vietnam

Resolution PC/8/2011/6

Cambodia's Readiness Preparation Proposal

Whereas:

- 1. Cambodia submitted a Readiness Preparation Proposal (R-PP) to the Facility Management Team (FMT) in March 2011, which was reviewed by a Technical Advisory Panel (TAP), a working group consisting of Participants Committee (PC) members established for this purpose, and the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP);
- 2. The PC reviewed the R-PP in accordance with Section 11.1 (b) of the Charter Establishing the FCPF (Charter) at its eighth meeting; and
- 3. The PC acknowledged the extensive efforts made by Cambodia, and the high quality of the R-PP.
- 4. In accordance with Resolution PC/7/2010/4, a Task Force was established to develop a common approach to environmental and social safeguards for multiple delivery partners (Common Approach), with a view to the adoption of the Common Approach at the ninth meeting of the PC.

The Participants Committee

- 1. Decides to allocate funding to Cambodia to enable it to move ahead with the preparation for readiness once the Common Approach has been adopted by the PC in accordance with Resolution PC/7/2010/4.
- 2. For this purpose, requests:
 - i. Cambodia to submit a revised R-PP (Revised R-PP) to the FMT, reflecting the key issues in the summary report prepared by the FMT included in the annex to this resolution;
 - ii. the FMT to check on the Revised R-PP for completeness, make it available on the FCPF website and notify the PC of its availability;
 - iii. UNDP, as the Delivery Partner, to complete its due diligence, in particular with regard to the UNDP's policies and procedures and in accordance with the Common Approach, working closely with Cambodia, in order to provide a grant of up to US\$ 3.6 million, in accordance

- with Resolution PC/3/2009/4; for the Readiness Preparation Grant, UNDP will provide implementation support services, including procurement;
- iv. Cambodia to consider the issues identified in the TAP's R-PP assessment as well as those raised by the FCPF PC at this meeting during readiness preparation; and
- v. Cambodia to report to the PC on progress made in accordance with Section 6.3 (b) of the Charter and to carry out its responsibilities in accordance with the agreement between UNDP and Cambodia (grant agreement).

Annex

Summary Report Prepared by the FMT

The PC noted that the R-PP formulation process to date has been a positive one, and that the R-PP offers good opportunities for other REDD countries to learn from Cambodia's experience

Key Issues

The following are the key issues that Cambodia needs to address before entering into a Readiness Preparation grant agreement with UNDP:

- 1. Under Component 2, include a subsection that provides for a review of the implementation of relevant existing national laws, policies, and procedures to inform strategies and implementation plans to address community forest land tenure and resource rights, and forest land conflicts.
- Requests Cambodia to clearly identify Economic Land Concessions (ELC) as a driver of deforestation and forest degradation in the R-PP; and further elaborate during the REDD+ readiness phase on possible strategies to reduce rates of deforestation and forest degradation caused by ELCs.
- 3. Continue the progress to date on information sharing and consultations among the government and stakeholders, and enhancing capacity of all participants in the REDD+ process, based on the principles for consultation set out in R-PP.
- 4. State the intention to initiate discussion with neighboring countries on collaboration with regard to controlling cross-border trade in illegal forest products and on REDD+ and, potentially, Forest Law Enforcement, Governance and Trade (FLEGT).
- 5. Include adequate budget for monitoring and evaluation of R-PP implementation in Component 6, and for environmental and social safeguards work; and avoid duplication of activities or funding between UN-REDD and FCPF.