



THE GROUP OF 77

New York
Office of the Chairman

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Excellency,

Re: Bio-Ethanol Production from Alternatives Substrates (BEPAS)

I have the honour to refer to the above-mentioned project proposal submitted by the Cuban Institute for Research and Sugarcane by-Products (ICIDCA), based in Havana, Cuba, to the Perez-Guerrero Trust Fund for Economic and Technical Cooperation among Developing Countries (PGTF) through the Mission's Note Verbale No 339 dated 29 April 2011.


In this regard, I wish to inform you that the Twenty-sixth Meeting of the Committee of Experts of PGTF, held in New York from 1st to 4th August 2011, recommended that the project avails from the financing of PGTF and allocated US\$ 22,000 to be disbursed in one single tranche. The recommendation of the Committee of Experts was approved by the Thirty-fifth Annual Meeting of Ministers for Foreign Affairs of the Group of 77, held in New York on 23 September 2011.

Disbursement of the approved funds will be made through the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) after co-signature of a PGTF project document by a duly authorized representative of the project's sponsors and the Special Unit for South-South Cooperation of UNDP in New York.

If project activities have changed as a result of reductions or increases in the amount of the PGTF contribution and/or the other sponsors' contributions, appropriate adjustments should be made to the original project proposal submitted to PGTF. The project proposal should be forwarded in digital format (e.g., Microsoft Word) to the Special Unit for South-South Cooperation of UNDP in New York at the following email address: yiping.zhou@undp.org (with copy to edem.bakhshish@undp.org). Once the project document is finalized and duly signed copies are received by the Special Unit for South-South Cooperation, it will authorize an advance of funds from PGTF through the local UNDP office to enable implementation of the project. Due to administrative and project cycle requirements, actual disbursements of approved advances would only be made after 1 January 2012.

Any queries regarding the project document and disbursement procedures may be addressed to the Special Unit for South-South Cooperation at the above email addresses. The Unit's telephone number is (212) 906-6689 and fax (212) 906-6429.

Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.



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