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Dear Ms. Myrta Kaulard,

Subject: Project "Bio-ethanol production from alternatives substrates (BEPAS)" approved for funding from Perez-Guerrero Trust Fund for South-South Cooperation – Reference number INT/12/K16

The above proposal submitted by the Cuban Institute of Research on Sugarcane by-Products (ICIDCA) was approved to be funded by Perez-Guerrero Trust Fund for South-South Cooperation (PGTF) at the 35th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 2011), which has the substantive mandate to appraise the PGTF proposals. The PGTF grant for this project is US\$ 22,000.00, and the Project Document subsequently submitted by your office was been cleared for implementation.

The PGTF was established by the General Assembly resolution 38/201 of 20 December 1983, with the purpose of supporting activities in economic and technical cooperation among developing countries (ECDC/TCDC) members of the Group of 77. The United Nations Office for South-South Cooperation (UNOSSC) as the Fund Manager of the PGTF is requesting your office to support this grant's implementation under the National Implementation or other relevant framework. We acknowledge the receiving of the Project Document signed by the Government of Cuba, the Cuban Institute of Research on Sugarcane by-Products (ICIDCA), and our office, therefore we will proceed with the disbursement of US\$ 19,800.00, which represents 90% of the resources approved for funding from PGTF. Please refer to the annexed guidelines for the implementation of PGTF projects.

In line with the Administrator's commitment to support the G77 with minimum cost, it has been a common practice to charge up to 1% of the direct project costs as the Country Office's share of the General Management Support and the Implementation Support Services, which should be part of the total budget approved for funding from PGTF.

Please also note that once the ASL is confirmed your office has full authority over the implementation of the project.

Yours sincerely,

Yiping Zhou Director

UN Office for South-South Cooperation

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Cc: Mr. Arturo Lozano, Group of 77/PGTF, New York