Dear PPCR Sub-Committee member.

We would like to recall the decision by the PPCR Sub-Committee at its meeting in June 2010 regarding the "*Process for Approving Phase 1 Proposals*", which reads:

"Having reviewed six phase 1 proposals, the Sub-Committee agrees that the remaining phase 1 proposals may be approved through a decision-by-mail so as to expedite the processing of the remaining proposals.

With respect to the approval of country requests for phase 1 funding under a regional program, the Sub-Committee agrees that country proposals for phase 1 activities may be submitted for approval by mail as they are ready, provided that the first proposal in a region includes a short description of the regional framework under which all country proposals are being developed. The Sub-Committee recognizes that a regional program needs to respect not only the regional similarities but also the differences among participating countries."

We are pleased to send to you the proposal for Phase 1 funding for Samoa, a country participating in the Pacific regional program, for your review and approval.

In reviewing the proposal, please note the following key issues:

- 1. The funding request is for US\$500,000.
- 2. The regional framework for the Pacific Program is attached as a separate document.
- 3. The SPCR for Samoa is expected to be submitted to the Sub-Committee for endorsement in May 2011.

We would like to invite the Sub-Committee to approve the following decision:

The PPCR Sub-Committee reviewed the proposal, *Samoa: Proposal for Phase 1 Funding*, and approves \$500,000 in financing to support the preparation of Samoa's Strategic Program for Climate Resilience under the regional pilot program for the Pacific.

If we do not receive an objection to the proposed decision by **close by business on October 13, 2010**, the decision will be approved.

Sincerely,

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