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Comments from United Kingdom on the Approval by Mail: Revised Strategic Program for Climate Resilience for Dominica

Dear All

We would like to thank the Government of Dominica and the World Bank for revising the SPCR. We note that the main concerns of the PPCR sub-committee are acknowledged but that the majority will only be fully addressed / defined during the upcoming stages of preparatory work. We would like to emphasise that it will be important for project proposals to demonstrate progress made in these areas when submitted to the Sub-Committee for approval, and that we will expect to see these areas specifically addressed in those project documents. To be addressed in implementation: we would like to see in the results framework plans to use the data from the 'household and community survey' (Annex 4), for example as baseline data, and more plans throughout to make use of the evidence and lessons from this survey.

In our previous comments, we mentioned the microfinance initiative in Haiti, MICRO, as relevant to the evaluation to scope out a micro-finance and micro-insurance scheme.

This initiative is included in the calculations on co-financing for component 2 on page 30 (250,000 micro insurance catastrophe risk organisation) but not under the description of the evaluation on page 21/22. We suggest adding the following line to page 21/22: 11 c) 'A new Weather Risk Insurance Scheme (index based) for small farmers under development in the Caribbean with UK support (starting with OECS banana farmers but expanding to others) as well as for micro finance borrowers (already piloted in Haiti – MICRO)'.

Many thanks

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