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**Comments from the United States on Approval by Mail: Democratic Republic of Congo - Integrated REDD+ Project in the Mbuji-Mayi/Kananga and Kisangani basins (AfDB)**

Dear Patricia,

Thank you for the opportunity to review the "Integrating REDD+ Project in the Mbuji-Mayi/Kananga and Kisingani Basins" project document.

We appreciate the effort that has gone into the preparation of this document; in particular, we note the detail provided in the results framework, including baseline data.

Having said that, we had trouble following the project's theory of change. While a number of the activities mentioned look promising, it is difficult to understand how they will fit together, and how the project proposes to overcome barriers to implementation.

We would like to see and consider the answers to questions raised by the UK before proceeding to project approval.

Thank you,

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US Treasury Department