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RE: SUBMISSION OF THE STRATEGIC PROGRAMME FOR CLIMATE RESILIENCE (SPCR) OF THE PILOT PROGRAMME FOR CLIMATE RESILIENCE (PPCR) IN SAMOA

The Ministry of Finance, on behalf of the Government of Samoa, wishes to formally submit the Strategic Programme for Climate Resilience (SPCR) under Samoa's Pilot Programme for Climate Resilience. This proposal is an outcome of consultative processes that have been undertaken in Samoa, including those conducted as part of Joint and Technical Missions. The last Joint Mission took place from January 31st to February 11, 2011 under the leadership of the Government of Samoa, through the Ministry of Finance.

The main objective of the most recent mission was to finalise the composition, preparation and submission of the SPCR, which in Samoa is known as the Climate Resilience Investment Programme (CRIP) in Samoa. The government coordinated a broad-based consultation with all national stakeholders, including civil society, private sector representatives and development partners to review and finalise the composition of this Investment Program.

In light of the above, and due to the impacts of climate change which are already being experienced, the Government of Samoa wishes to proceed as soon as possible with implementation of the SPCR/CRIP.

Details of the submission are as outlined in the emailed documentation. The Climate Investment Fund (CIF) Administration Unit may publish the information.

Yours sincerely,

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