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## Comments from United Kingdom on the Investment Plan for Burkina Faso

Dear Andrea

Please see attached the UK's comments on the FIP IPs for Burkina Faso.

Many thanks

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The UK thanks the Government and the MDBs for addressing the range of comments from the FIP Sub-Committee and the expert reviewer in the updated investment plan, further to its provisional endorsement in 2011, and notes the formal commitment to REDD+ demonstrated by the preparation of the country's Readiness Preparation Plan (R-PP), presented to the FCPF in June 2012. We would like to request further work on the following areas in particular:

Private sector: the proposed investments have been successful in leveraging additional finance from a number of other donors, but further work is needed on private sector engagement and exploring how the readiness process will be carried out in order to attract longer term carbon funding. We would like clarification around how the private sector will be engaged with in Project 1, "Decentralized forest and woodland management", and whether opportunities exist to leverage private sector finance.

Duplication: There is overlap of activities, including land use planning responsibilities and capacity development for decentralised management, between projects 1 and 2, "Decentralized forest and woodland management" and "Participatory management of state forest", and we would like this to be clarified.

GHG Reductions: potential GHG emission reductions are listed by sector and sensitivity is provided, which is very useful. The GHG discussion (pp 17/18) could benefit from additional work to specifically address the FIP intervention as well as the long term objective of the REDD+ strategy.

Information in annex two could be set out more clearly, to clarify when, and over what time period, the savings will be achieved.

Cost effectiveness: we would like to have details on this (calculated from the time periods when the saving would be achieved, and lifetime project savings). In terms of baseline, what is the expected trajectory of the BAU without FIP intervention?