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Dear CTF Trust Fund Committee Members,

The CTF Guidelines for Investment Plans call for the CIF Administrative Unit to inform the Trust Fund Committee of country expressions of interest and all planned joint missions for the preparation of investment plans.

The purpose of this email is to notify you that the World Bank has received a request from the Government of Mexico (dated December 1, 2008) indicating its interest in accessing CTF funds and requesting a joint mission of IADB, IBRD and IFC to support the Government in the preparation of a CTF investment plan. A joint MDB assessment confirmed a potential fit of the country request with the CTF investment criteria.

The joint mission will visit Mexico between December 15-17, 2008. The objectives of the mission are to: (i) agree on the strategic outline of the Investment Plan, and the strategic context for CTF funding for Mexico; and (ii) agree on the types of priority projects to be included in the Investment Plan submitted for CTF financing. A meeting with other development partners working in Mexico, including UN and bilateral agencies, is planned to ensure proper coordination with such partners.

We regret that we have not been able to notify you earlier about this mission, and we will be working with the MDB Committee to ensure a minimum of two weeks notice for all future missions.

Sincerely,

Patricia