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# CLIMATE INVESTMENT FUNDS

**[APPROVAL BY MAIL] RWANDA: RENEWABLE ENERGY FUND PROJECT (WORLD BANK) (SREP)--  
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COMMENTS FROM CADPI**

Dear Ms. Duarte

On several occasions I have asked about the affectations to indigenous peoples, their lands, territories and resources with the projects that are approved from the CIF - SREP platform, however the answers are not given or have been very poor.

In this case of Rwanda, I ask again about the same thing. But given that safeguards are contemplated to implement the safeguard of involuntary resettlement, I assume that it will affect indigenous peoples and local communities. In this case the project should have prepared its plan for indigenous peoples.

In addition, it seems contradictory to me that they do not activate the safeguarding of natural habitats (OP 4.04), indigenous peoples (OP 4.10) and forest protection (OP 4.09) when they are expected to buy land (OP 4.12), since all of them are intimately related to the presence of local peoples and communities.

I think there should be a clear explanation about the selection of these safeguards.

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