



2 September 2004

Dear Colleagues,

**Subject: RER/04/G31: Control of Eutrophication, Hazardous Substances and Related Measures for Rehabilitating the Black Sea Ecosystem, Tranche 2 (PIMS 3065) – Signed Signature Page**

I am pleased to attach the duly signed copy of the prodoc signature page for the above mentioned UNDP/GEF regional project by the Bulgarian Government.

Should you need any further assistance please contact our Country Office.

Looking forward to the successful implementation of the project.

Sincerely yours,

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Neil Buhne  
Resident Representative

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**Brief Description**

The project in its Phase 2 will continue supporting the Black Sea regional aspects of the Black Sea Partnership for Nutrient Control. It will assist and strengthen the role of the Black Sea Commission (of the Bucharest Convention for the Protection of the Black Sea against Pollution) and ensure the provision of a suite of harmonised legal and policy instruments for tackling the problem of eutrophication, and release of certain hazardous substances, and to facilitate ecosystem recovery. An important feature of the project is its encouragement of broad stakeholder participation. This will be achieved by inter-sectoral co-ordination, the provision of small grants to local initiatives and support for public information and environmental education. The project will also enable a new suite of indicators for monitoring the effectiveness of the measures taken by the Partnership. These indicators, together with targeted scientific studies, will help to set new regional nutrient control targets within the concept of adaptive management. The PDP-B study has revealed that making a remarkable progress in the attainment of these objectives would require at least a five years of concerted action at the wider basin level. Unfortunately, owing to funding constraints, a two-phased approach had to be taken for the implementation of the overall strategy. Phasing was based on a re-consideration of the relative priorities of achieving certain targets and evaluation of the need for earlier delivery of certain project outcomes which will be essential inputs for the implementation of other activities envisaged for the 5 years integrated project. The current project will be part of the broader multi-donor Black Sea Environmental Programme and clear mechanisms will be established for donor co-ordination and for co-ordination and the sharing of objectives with the Danube and Dniipro GEF Projects.

**On behalf of the Governments of:**

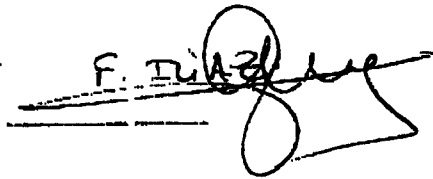
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