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FOREST INVESTMENT PROGRAM RESULTS FRAMEWORK

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS BY THE FOREST PEOPLES PROGRAMME

Comments from the Forest People's Programme

1. In an email dated May 31, 2011, the CIF Administrative Unit received the following comments from the Forest Peoples Programme on the FIP Results Framework approved by mail on June 7, 2011:

"Forest Peoples Programme has revised the latest draft of the FIP results framework and we take note of the steps undertaken to reflect our concerns and recommendations especially as regards indigenous peoples.

We also appreciate the opportunity - as stated in the document - of welcoming additional and further comments from Indigenous peoples organization and observers especially on the matter of defining the quality of life indicators, and would propose that a specific outreach is made towards the newly selected FIP Indigenous Peoples' observers at least, to provide Indigenous Peoples' organizations with the opportunity to submit comments that then would be integrated in the next FIP subcommittee meeting in June.

We take the chance of providing you with some additional suggestions and comments, that build on both the Cancun Agreement language and other policies as regards FPIC for countries that have endorsed UNDRIP.

- 1. In section C.3 on the legal framework, we would recommend to include the following language in bold:
- C.3 a) Evidence that the legal framework (laws, regulations, guidelines) and implementation practices provide for non-discriminative land tenure rights and land use systems and protect the rights of indigenous peoples and local communities (women and men) in accordance to relevant international environmental and human rights obligations and instruments

And then envisage the following in the indicators/activities column:

A gap analysis would be required to assess current REDD country national legislation and propose processes to ensure alignment to International standards and obligations.

2. In section C.4 on Indigenous Peoples empowerment, we recommend the following addition:

For countries that have endorsed the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples an assessment of the government's capacity to uphold Indigenous Peoples' right to Free Prior Informed Consent should be carried out

3. In section C.5 "Increased capacity to address direct and underlying drivers of deforestation and forest degradation (as identified in national REDD+ strategies or equivalents)".

We would recommend to add the text in bold to fully reflect the Cancun Agreement text: "An information system on how safeguards are being addressed and respected."