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Comments from Australia on Approval by mail: First tranche of the MDB project preparation and supervision budget to prepare the global component of the Dedicated Grant Mechanism for Indigenous Peoples and Local Communities

Dear Andrea

Thank you for your fast response and for this advice. I had a look through the document you provided, SCF/TFC.7/6, which from my reading indicates a benchmark for preparation and implementation costs for SCF capacity building projects as $176,000-$533,000. Is this the correct benchmark range for the Dedicated Grant Mechanism? If so, are you able to provide some further information on why the estimated costs for the MDB preparation and implementation costs exceeds the benchmark range? Apologies if I'm misinterpreting the information, so if this is not correct could you please clarify the benchmark range? It would be useful to have this information to inform our decision on the proposal put forward.

Thanks and regards,
Rhonda

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