## Comments from Canada and Australia on Approval by Mail: Proposed PPCR Roster of Independent Experts

Dear Colleagues,

Thank you for the opportunity to review the proposed roster of independent experts for the Pilot Program for Climate Resilience (PPCR). We recall that during the June 2011 meeting of the PPCR Sub-Committee in Cape Town, we requested that efforts should be made to ensure a gender balance in the roster of PPCR experts. However, it appears that only 4 of the 34 candidates proposed for the initial roster are women, which represents approximately 12% of the total number of experts. (We realise that names can sometimes be deceiving, and we would welcome feedback from the CIF Unit if our numbers are incorrect.) We encourage the MDB Committee and the Administrative Unit to revisit the list of candidates to ensure a more appropriate gender balance for the initial roster before approving it. It is our understanding that this request will not delay the quality review of the Strategic Programs for Climate Resilience (SPCR) in the interim.

Thank you in advance,

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## Comments from Denmark and Norway on Approval by Mail: Proposed PPCR Roster of Independent Experts

Dear colleagues,

We refer to the e-mails below on approval of the proposed PPCR roster of experts. Denmark and Norway support the proposal by Canada and Australia, that the MDB Committee and the Administrative Unit is encouraged to revisit the list of candidates to ensure a better gender balance for the roster of experts before approving it.

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