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GEF TRUST FUND GRANT NO. TF051537

Global Environment Facility TRUST FUND GRANT AGREEMENT

(National System of Protected Areas Project - MAE)

between

REPUBLIC OF ECUADOR

and

INTERNATIONAL BANK FOR RECONSTRUCTION AND DEVELOPMENT

acting as an Implementing Agency of the Global Environment Facility

Dated April 17, 2003

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AGREEMENT, dated April 17, 2003, between REPUBLIC OF ECUADOR (Ecuador) and INTERNATIONAL BANK FOR RECONSTRUCTION AND DEVELOPMENT (the Bank) acting as Implementing Agency of the Global Environment Facility (the GEF), in respect of Grant funds provided to the Global Environment Facility Trust Fund (the GEF Trust Fund) by certain members of the Bank as participants of the GEF.

WHEREAS (A) the Bank, pursuant to Resolution No. 91-5 of March 14, 1991 of the Executive Directors of the Bank, established the GEF to assist in the protection of the global environment and promote thereby environmentally sound and sustainable economic development;

WHEREAS (B) following the restructuring of the GEF, such arrangements continued in place on the basis set forth in Resolution No. 94-2 of May 24, 1994 of the Executive Directors of the Bank (Resolution No. 94-2), which, inter alia, established the GEF Trust Fund, authorized the first replenishment of the GEF Trust Fund and appointed the Bank as Trustee of the GEF Trust Fund;

WHEREAS (C) the second replenishment of the GEF Trust Fund was approved on the basis set forth in Resolution No. 98-2 of July 14, 1998 of the Executive Directors of the Bank:

WHEREAS (D) Ecuador (through the Ministry of the Environment (*Ministerio del Medio Ambiente* – MAE) having satisfied itself as to the feasibility and priority of the project described in Schedule 2 to this Agreement (the Project), has requested assistance from the resources of the GEF Trust Fund for funding Parts A, B and D of the Project, and said request having been approved in accordance with the provisions of the Instrument for the Establishment of the Restructured Global Environment Facility approved under Resolution No. 94-2 and to be funded from the resources of the GEF Trust Fund;

WHEREAS (E) by an agreement of even date herewith between the Bank, also acting as Implementing Agency of the GEF, and *Fondo Ambiental Nacional* (FAN) (the FAN GEF Trust Fund Grant Agreement), the Bank has agreed to make available additional GEF resources, on a grant basis, for the carrying out of Part C of the Project in an aggregate principal amount equivalent to three million three-hundred thousand Special Drawing Rights (SDR3,300,000) (the FAN GEF Trust Fund Grant), but only on condition that Ecuador agree to undertake such obligations toward the Bank as are set forth in this Agreement;

WHEREAS (F) Ecuador has received from the Government of the Kingdom of the Netherlands (the Netherlands), a grant (the Dutch Grant) in an aggregate amount equivalent to approximately \$2,340,000 to assist in financing Ecuador's National System of Protected Areas (*Sistema Nacional de Areas Protegidas* - SNAP) on the terms and conditions set forth in an agreement entered into between Ecuador and the Netherlands on November 30, 2001 (the Dutch Grant Agreement);

WHEREAS (G) Ecuador has received from the Government of Germany (Germany), a grant (the German Grant) in an amount equivalent to approximately \$8,330,000 to assist in financing SNAP on the terms and conditions set forth in an agreement entered into between Ecuador and Germany on March 15, 2000 (the German Grant Agreement);

WHEREAS (H) Ecuador expects to receive from the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB), a loan (the IDB Loan) in an amount equivalent to approximately \$5,000,000 to assist in financing SNAP and its buffer zones on the terms and conditions set forth in an agreement to be entered into between Ecuador and the IDB (the IDB Loan Agreement);

WHEREAS (I) the Bank has received a letter, dated February 26, 2002, from Ecuador describing Ecuador's program for SNAP during the period of 2001 to 2010 (the SNAP Program), and setting forth Ecuador's plan of actions over the medium and longer term to achieve the strengthening of SNAP; and

WHEREAS the Bank has agreed, on the basis, inter alia, of the foregoing, to extend the MAE GEF Trust Fund Grant to Ecuador upon the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement;

NOW THEREFORE the parties hereto hereby agree as follows:

ARTICLE I

General Conditions; Definitions

Section 1.01. (a) The following provisions of the "General Conditions Applicable to Loan and Guarantee Agreements for Single Currency Loans" of the Bank, dated May 30, 1995 (as amended through October 6, 1999), with the modifications set forth in paragraph (b) of this Section (the General Conditions) constitute an integral part of this Agreement:

- (i) Article I;
- (ii) Sections 2.01 (1), (2), (3), (4), (5), (6), (7) (8), (9), (10), (14), (15), (16), (18) and (21), 2.02 and 2.03;
- (iii) Section 3.01;
- (iv) Sections 4.01 and 4.06;
- (v) Article V;
- (vi) Sections 6.01, 6.02 (c), (e), (f), (g), (i), (l), (m), (n), (o) and (p), 6.03, 6.04 and 6.06;
- (vii) Section 8.01 (b);
- (viii) Sections 9.01 (a) and (c), 9.04, 9.05, 9.06, 9.07, 9.08 and 9.09;
- (ix) Section 10.01, 10.03 and 10.04;
- (x) Article XI; and
- (xi) Sections 12.01, 12.02, 12.03 and 12.04.
- (b) The General Conditions shall be modified as follows:
 - a new paragraph shall be added to the end of Section 2.01 to read as follows: "the term 'Special Drawing Rights' and the symbol 'SDR' mean special drawing rights as valued by the International Monetary Fund in accordance with its Articles of Agreement";
 - (ii) the term "Bank", wherever used in the General Conditions, other than in Sections 2.01 (6) and 6.02 (f) thereof, and the last use of such term in Section 5.01 thereof, means the Bank acting as an Implementing Agency of the GEF, except that in Section 6.02, the term "Bank" shall also include the Bank acting in its own capacity;
 - (iii) the term "the Borrower", wherever used in the General Conditions, means Ecuador;
 - (iv) the term "Loan Agreement", wherever used in the General Conditions, means this Agreement;

- (v) the term "Loan" and "loan", wherever used in the General Conditions, means the MAE GEF Trust Fund Grant;
- (vi) the term "Loan Account", wherever used in the General Conditions, means the MAE GEF Trust Fund Grant Account, the account to be open by the Bank on its books in the name of Ecuador to which the amount of the MAE GEF Trust Fund Grant will be credited; and
- (vii) a new subparagraph (q) shall be added after subparagraph (p) in Section 6.02 as follows:
 - "(q) An extraordinary situation shall have arisen in which any further disbursement under the MAE GEF Trust Fund Grant would exceed the resources available for disbursement from the GEF."

Section 1.02. Unless the context otherwise requires, the several terms defined in the Preamble to this Agreement and in the General Conditions have the respective meanings therein set forth and the following additional terms have the following meanings:

- (a) "Administration Agreement" means the agreement referred to in Section 3.05 of this Agreement;
 - (b) "BCE" means Banco Central del Ecuador, Ecuador's Central Bank;
- (c) "Biodiversity Legislation" means Ecuador's proposed biodiversity legislation submitted to Ecuador's Congress on November 30, 2001;
- (d) "DBAP" means *Dirección de Biodiversidad y Areas Protegidas*, Ecuador's Directorate of Biodiversity and Protected Areas within MAE;
- (e) "Draft SNAP Strategic Plan" means Ecuador's strategic plan for SNAP, dated October 1999, that contains the strategic objectives, priorities and directions for SNAP;
- (f) "Environmental Impact Framework" means Ecuador's environmental impact framework for the Project dated, August 15, 2002, that contains specific environmental rules and procedures for Project implementation in the Selected Protected Areas (as hereinafter defined);

- (g) "Fiscal Year" means Ecuador's fiscal year which commences on January 1 and ends on December 31 of each calendar year;
- (h) "Implementation Agreement" means the agreement entered into between MAE and FAN on April 15, 2002 for the purposes of regulating certain matters of common interest in connection with the implementation of Part C of the Project, and such term includes all schedules and agreements supplemental to the Implementation Agreement;
- (i) "Indigenous Peoples Development Framework" means Ecuador's indigenous peoples development framework for the Project, dated August 15, 2002, that contains the principles and guidelines for the preparation of local development plans for indigenous peoples living in the Selected Protected Areas (as hereinafter defined);
- (j) "Key MAE Personnel" means the personnel referred to in Section 3.04 (b) of this Agreement;
- (k) "MAE Annual Work Program" means any of the annual work programs referred to in Section 3.08 (a) (i) of this Agreement;
- (l) "MAE Eligible Categories" means categories (1) through (4) set forth in the table in Part A.1 of Schedule 1 to this Agreement;
- (m) "MAE Eligible Expenditures" means the expenditures for goods, works and services referred to in Section 2.02 of this Agreement;
- (n) "MAE-FMR" means each MAE financial monitoring report prepared in accordance with Section 4.02 of this Agreement;
- (o) "MAE Operational Manual" means MAE's operational manual for the Project, dated October 11, 2002, that contains provisions on: (i) detailed arrangements for the carrying out of Parts A, B and D of the Project; and (ii) requirements for the carrying out of any civil works to be financed out of the proceeds of the MAE GEF Trust Fund Grant;
- (p) "MAE Performance Indicators" means the indicators for monitoring and evaluating progress towards the attainment of Project objectives set forth in the letter from Ecuador to the Bank of even date herewith (Supplemental Letter);

- (q) "MAE Special Account" means the account referred to in Part B.1 of Schedule 1 to this Agreement;
- (r) Management Plan" means any management plan to be prepared for a Selected Protected Area as provided in the MAE Operational Manual (as hereinafter defined);
- (s) "Participation Arrangement" means any of the arrangements to be entered into between MAE and a Participatory Management Committee (as hereinafter defined), pursuant to Section 3.07 (a) of this Agreement, and such term includes all schedules and agreements supplemental to any Participation Arrangement;
- (t) "Participatory Management Committee" means any participatory management committee to be established within a Selected Protected Area (as hereinafter defined) as provided in the MAE Operational Manual;
- (u) "Participatory Strategy" means Ecuador's participatory strategy for the Project, dated August 15, 2002, that contains the principles and guidelines for ensuring the participation of communities in the management of Selected Protected Areas (as hereinafter defined);
- (v) "Process Framework" means Ecuador's process framework for the Project, dated August 15, 2002, that contains the rules and procedures for mitigating potential impacts in the livelihood of communities in the Selected Protected Areas (as hereinafter defined);
- (w) "Project Implementation Plan" means the Project implementation plan, dated August 27, 2002;
- (x) "Protected Areas Legal Framework" means Ecuador's Forestry Law No. 74 of 1981, published in *Registro Oficial* No. 64 on August 24, 1981, and its regulations, as amended to the date of this Agreement;
- (y) "Selected Protected Area" means any of Ecuador's protected areas listed in Schedule 4 to this Agreement and any other protected area which may be acceptable to the Bank in addition to, or in substitution of, the above protected areas; and
- (z) "Stakeholder" means any civil society organization operating in Ecuador interested in protected areas management, biodiversity conservation and

sustainable use, including local communities, non-governmental organizations, and academic and scientific institutions.

Section 1.03. Each reference in the General Conditions to the Project implementation entity shall be deemed a reference to MAE.

ARTICLE II

The MAE GEF Trust Fund Grant

Section 2.01. The Bank agrees to make available to Ecuador, on the terms and conditions set forth or referred to in this Agreement, the MAE GEF Trust Fund Grant in an amount in various currencies equivalent to two million eight-hundred thousand Special Drawing Rights (SDR 2,800,000).

Section 2.02. The amount of the MAE GEF Trust Fund Grant may be withdrawn from the MAE GEF Trust Fund Grant Account in accordance with the provisions of Schedule 1 to this Agreement for expenditures made (or, if the Bank shall so agree, to be made) in respect of the reasonable cost of goods, works and services required for Parts A, B and D of the Project and to be financed out of the proceeds of the MAE GEF Trust Fund Grant.

Section 2.03. The Closing Date shall be June 30, 2007 or such later date as the Bank shall establish. The Bank shall promptly notify Ecuador of such later date.

ARTICLE III

Execution of the Project

Section 3.01. Ecuador declares its commitment to the objectives of the Project as set forth in Schedule 2 to this Agreement and, to this end, shall:

- (a) carry out, through MAE, Parts A, B and D of the Project, with due diligence and efficiency and in conformity with appropriate managerial, administrative, financial, ecological, environmental and conservation practices, and shall provide, promptly as needed, the funds, facilities, services and other resources required for the Project; and
- (b) (i) assist FAN in complying with all the obligations of FAN set forth or referred to in the FAN GEF Trust Fund Grant Agreement; and (ii) not take or

permit to be taken any action which would prevent or interfere with the compliance by FAN of any obligation of FAN set forth or referred to in the FAN GEF Trust Fund Grant Agreement.

Section 3.02. (a) Without limitation upon the provisions of Section 3.01 of this Agreement, and except as Ecuador and the Bank may otherwise agree, Ecuador shall carry out Parts A, B and D of the Project in accordance with: (i) the Administration Agreement and the Implementation Agreement; (ii) the Environmental Impact Framework; (iii) the Process Framework; (iv) the Indigenous Peoples Development Framework; (v) the Participatory Strategy; (vi) the MAE Operation Manual; and (vii) the Project Implementation Plan, as applicable, so as to achieve the MAE Performance Indicators.

(b) If any provision of the MAE Operational Manual or the Project Implementation Plan is inconsistent with a provision of this Agreement, the provisions of this Agreement shall prevail.

Section 3.03. Except as the Bank shall otherwise agree, procurement of the goods, works and services required for Parts A, B and D of the Project and to be financed out of the proceeds of the MAE GEF Trust Fund Grant shall be governed by the provisions of Schedule 3 to this Agreement.

Section 3.04. (a) At all times during the execution of the Project, Ecuador (through MAE) shall maintain:

- (i) an independent review panel with membership structure and responsibilities satisfactory to the Bank, including the following responsibilities: (A) to review Project implementation reports and audits; and (B) to monitor and evaluate overall Project implementation; and
- (ii) DBAP responsible for overall Project planning, coordination, supervision, monitoring and evaluation, including: (A) preparing MAE Annual Work Programs; (B) issuing Project implementation guidelines for the Selected Protected Areas; (C) maintaining the Project impact monitoring system; and (D) evaluating the procurement and financial management processes of FAN as administrator of Parts A, B and D of the Project pursuant to the Administration Agreement.
- (b) Ecuador shall ensure that DBAP is staffed, at all times during the execution of the Project, by core professional staff in numbers and with experience and

qualifications acceptable to the Bank, operating under terms of reference satisfactory to the Bank, and selected in accordance with competitive and transparent procedures satisfactory to the Bank, all as prescribed in the MAE Operational Manual.

Section 3.05. For the first year of Project implementation and except as the Bank shall otherwise agree, Ecuador (through MAE) shall enter into an agreement with FAN, under terms and conditions satisfactory to the Bank, for the purposes of ensuring the administration of Parts A, B and D of the Project by FAN, said agreement to provide, inter alia:

- (a) the obligation of FAN to administer Parts A, B and D of the Project in accordance with:
 - (i) the MAE Operational Manual;
 - (ii) the Project Implementation Plan; and
 - (iii) the applicable MAE Annual Work Program; and
- (b) the functions and responsibilities of FAN in connection with the procurement of the goods, works and consultants' services, and the financial management for Parts A, B and D of the Project.

Section 3.06. (a) Prior to the approval of any proposed civil work to be financed out of the proceeds of the MAE GEF Trust Fund Grant, Ecuador (through MAE) shall apply the Environmental Impact Framework, in order to:

- (i) carry out an environmental screening and assessment of such proposed civil works, as prescribed in the MAE Operational Manual; and
- (ii) prepare recommendations for the prevention, mitigation and remediation of any potential environmental damage arising from the implementation of such proposed civil works.
- (b) During the implementation of any civil works, Ecuador shall carry out the recommendations of the environmental assessment referred to in subparagraph (a) (ii) above, as prescribed in the MAE Operational Manual, and reflect such recommendations in the bidding documents for the proposed civil works.

Section 3.07. Not later than twelve (12) months after the Effective Date, Ecuador (through DBAP) shall:

- (a) start the implementation of the Participatory Strategy in each Selected Protected Area for the purposes of ensuring the participation of each Participatory Management Committee in the implementation of Parts A, B and D of the Project; and
- (b) pursuant to the Project Implementation Plan, furnish to the Bank, for its review and approval, Management Plans for each Selected Protected Area, in order to determine the eligibility of expenditures to be financed out of the proceeds of the MAE GEF Trust Fund Grant Agreement.

Section 3.08. (a) Ecuador (through DBAP) shall:

- (i) not later than November 15 of each year, furnish to the Bank, for its review and approval, a proposed annual work program prepared in consultation with representatives of the Stakeholders; such program to specify the activities to be financed out of the proceeds of the MAE GEF Trust Fund Grant during the following calendar year for the purposes of the implementation of Parts A, B and D of the Project; and
- (ii) upon the Bank's approval, carry out such MAE Annual Work Program, as approved by the Bank.
- (b) The Bank may refrain from approving any MAE Annual Work Program if the Bank has determined that Ecuador is not carrying out the Project as provided in this Agreement and no appropriate remedial actions, satisfactory to the Bank, have been taken therefor.

Section 3.09. Ecuador (through DBAP) shall:

- (a) maintain policies and procedures adequate to enable it to monitor and evaluate on an ongoing basis, in accordance with the MAE Performance Indicators, the carrying out of Parts A, B and D of the Project and the achievement of the objectives thereof; and
- (b) not later than March 31 and September 30 of each year of Project implementation, starting in March 31, 2003, furnish to the Bank progress reports on the execution of Parts A, B and D of the Project during the preceding calendar semester, of such scope and in such detail as the Bank may reasonably request.

Section 3.10. Ecuador (through DBAP) shall:

- (a) not later than November 30 of each year of Project implementation, starting in November 30, 2003, hold a Project annual review with the Bank, such review to be based on the reports referred to in Section 3.09 (b) of this Agreement; and
- (b) if, as a result of any of the above reviews, the Bank shall have reasonably determined that the progress in the execution of Parts A, B and D of the Project or in the achievement of its objectives is not satisfactory, promptly take or cause to be taken all such remedial action, satisfactory to the Bank, as shall be necessary for the efficient execution of such Parts of the Project or the timely achievement of its objectives.

Section 3.11. Ecuador (through DBAP) shall:

- (a) not later than June 30, 2004 and June 30, 2006, contract beneficiary assessments of Parts A, B and D of the Project with independent consultants of experience and qualifications acceptable to the Bank, operating under terms of reference satisfactory to the Bank, such assessments to determine overall progress and outcomes of Parts A, B and D of the Project;
- (b) not later than September 30, 2004 and September 30, 2006, as the case may be, furnish to the Bank for its review and comments, the findings and recommendations of each such assessment by said consultants; and
- (c) not later than November 30, 2004 and November 30, 2006, as the case may be, review with FAN and representatives of the Stakeholders the results of each such assessment taking into account the Bank's comments thereon.
- Section 3.12. For the purposes of Section 9.07 of the General Conditions and without limitation thereto, Ecuador (through DBAP) shall:
- (a) prepare, on the basis of guidelines acceptable to the Bank, and furnish to the Bank not later than six (6) months after the Closing Date or such later date as may be agreed for this purpose between Ecuador and the Bank, a plan for the continued achievement of Project objectives; and
- (b) afford the Bank a reasonable opportunity to exchange views with Ecuador on said plan.
- Section 3.13. MAE shall exercise its rights and comply with its obligations under the Administration Agreement and the Implementation Agreement in such a manner as to protect the interests of Ecuador, the Bank and MAE, and to accomplish the purposes of the MAE GEF Trust Fund Grant, and, except as the Bank shall otherwise agree, MAE shall not assign, amend, terminate, waive or fail to enforce the Administration Agreement or the Implementation Agreement or any provision thereof.

ARTICLE IV

Financial Covenants

Section 4.01. (a) Ecuador (through MAE) shall maintain financial management systems, including records and accounts, and prepare financial statements in a format acceptable to the Bank, adequate to reflect the operations, resources and expenditures related to Parts A, B and D of the Project.

(b) Ecuador (through MAE) shall:

- (i) have the records, accounts and financial statements referred to in paragraph (a) of this Section, and the records and accounts for the MAE Special Account, for each Fiscal Year audited in accordance with auditing standards acceptable to the Bank, consistently applied, by independent auditors acceptable to the Bank:
- (ii) furnish to the Bank, as soon as available, but in any case not later than four (4) months after the end of each such Fiscal Year: (A) certified copies of the financial statements referred to in paragraph (a) of this Section for such Fiscal Year as so audited; and (B) an opinion on such statements, records and accounts and report of such audit by said auditors, of such scope and in such detail as the Bank shall have reasonably requested including, as part of the information provided in each such report, a management letter concerning internal controls; and
- (iii) furnish to the Bank such other information concerning said records and accounts, and the audit thereof, and concerning said auditors as the Bank shall from time to time reasonably request.
- (c) For all expenditures with respect to which withdrawals from the MAE GEF Trust Fund Grant Account were made on the basis of MAE-FMRs or statements of expenditure, Ecuador (through MAE) shall:
 - (i) maintain or cause to be maintained, in accordance with paragraph (a) of this Section, records and accounts reflecting such expenditures;
 - (ii) retain, until at least one (1) year after the Bank has received the audit report for the Fiscal Year in which the last withdrawal from

the MAE GEF Trust Fund Grant Account was made, all records (contracts, orders, invoices, bills, receipts and other documents) evidencing such expenditures;

- (iii) enable the Bank's representatives to examine such records; and
- (iv) ensure that such records and accounts are included in the annual audit referred to in paragraph (b) of this Section and that the report of such audit contains a separate opinion by said auditors as to whether the MAE-FMRs or statements of expenditure submitted during such Fiscal Year, together with the procedures and internal controls involved in their preparation, can be relied upon to support the related withdrawals.

Section 4.02. (a) With regard to Parts A, B and D of the Project and without limitation upon Ecuador's progress reporting obligations set out in Section 3.09 (b) of this Agreement, Ecuador (through MAE) shall prepare and furnish to the Bank a financial monitoring report, in form and substance satisfactory to the Bank, which:

- (i) sets forth sources and uses of funds for the Project, both cumulatively and for the period covered by said report, showing separately funds provided under the Loan, and explains variances between the actual and planned uses of such funds;
- (ii) describes physical progress in Project implementation, both cumulatively and for the period covered by said report, and explains variances between the actual and planned Project implementation; and
- (iii) sets forth the status of procurement under the Project, as at the end of the period covered by said report.
- (b) The first MAE-FMR shall be furnished to the Bank not later than forty-five (45) days after the end of the first calendar semester after the Effective Date, and shall cover the period from the incurrence of the first expenditure under the Project through the end of such first calendar semester; thereafter, each MAE-FMR shall be furnished to the Bank not later than forty-five (45) days after each subsequent calendar semester, and shall cover such calendar semester.

ARTICLE V

Remedies of the Bank

Section 5.01. Pursuant to Section 6.02 (p) of the General Conditions, the following additional events are specified:

- (a) the Protected Areas Legal Framework or any provision thereof shall have been amended, suspended, abrogated, repealed or waived so as to affect materially and adversely the ability of Ecuador to perform any of its obligations under this Agreement;
- (b) the IDB Loan Agreement shall have failed to become effective by not later than June 30, 2004 or such later date as the Bank may agree; provided, however, that the provisions of this paragraph shall not apply if Ecuador establishes to the satisfaction of the Bank that adequate funds for the Project are available to Ecuador from other sources on terms and conditions consistent with the obligations of Ecuador under this Agreement.
 - (c) Subject to subparagraph (ii) of this paragraph, the right of Ecuador to withdraw the proceeds of any grant (including the Dutch Grant and the German Grant) or loan (including the IDB Loan) made to Ecuador for the financing of the Project shall have been suspended, canceled or terminated in whole or in part, pursuant to the terms of the agreements providing therefor;
 - (ii) Subparagraph (i) of this paragraph shall not apply if Ecuador establishes to the satisfaction of the Bank that:
 - (A) such suspension, cancellation or termination is not caused by the failure of Ecuador to perform any of its obligations under such agreements; and
 - (B) adequate funds for the Project are available to Ecuador from other sources on terms and conditions consistent with the obligations of Ecuador under this Agreement;
- (d) the Biodiversity Legislation shall have not been approved, in form and substance satisfactory to the Bank, within two years of this Agreement; and
- (e) FAN shall have failed to perform any obligation under the FAN GEF Trust Fund Grant Agreement.

ARTICLE VI

Effective Date, Termination

Section 6.01. The following events are specified as conditions precedent to the

effectiveness of the MAE GEF Trust Fund Grant Agreement within the meaning of Section 12.01 (c) of the General Conditions:

- (a) that the Key MAE Personnel shall have been selected;
- (b) that the Administration Agreement shall have been executed and delivered on behalf of the parties thereto, and is legally binding upon them in accordance with its terms;
- (c) that financial management arrangements, satisfactory to the Bank, shall have been established by MAE and become operational;
- (d) that the selection process of the auditor referred to in Section 4.01 (b) (i) of this Agreement shall have been started; and
- (e) that all conditions precedent to the effectiveness of the FAN GEF Trust Fund Gant Agreement (other than those related to this Agreement) shall have been fulfilled.

Section 6.02. The date July 17, 2003 is hereby specified for the purposes of Section 12.04 of the General Conditions.

ARTICLE VII

Representative of Ecuador; Addresses

Section 7.01. The Minister of Foreign Affairs of Ecuador is designated as representative of Ecuador for the purposes of Section 11.03 of the General Conditions.

Section 7.02. The following addresses are specified for the purposes of Section 11.01 of the General Conditions:

For Ecuador:

Ministry of Foreign Affairs Avenida 10 de Agosto y Carrion Quito, Ecuador

Facsimile: (5932) 501002

For the Bank:

International Bank for Reconstruction and Development 1818 H Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20433 United States of America

Cable address: Telex: Facsimile:

INTBAFRAD 248423 (MCI) or (202) 477-6391

Washington, D.C. 64145 (MCI)

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto, acting through their duly authorized representatives, have caused this Agreement to be signed in their respective names in the District of Columbia, United States of America, as of the day and year first above written.

REPUBLIC OF ECUADOR

/s/ Carlos Játiva

By

Authorized Representative

INTERNATIONAL BANK FOR RECONSTRUCTION AND DEVELOPMENT

As an Implementing Agency of the Global Environment Facility

/s/ John Redwood

By

Acting Regional Vice President Latin America and the Caribbean

SCHEDULE 1

Withdrawal of the Proceeds of the MAE GEF Trust Fund Grant

Part A. General

1. The table below sets forth the Categories of items to be financed out of the proceeds of the MAE GEF Trust Fund Grant, the allocation of the amounts of the MAE GEF Trust Fund Grant to each Category and the percentage of expenditures for items so to be financed in each Category:

	<u>Category</u>	Amount of the MAE GEF Trust Fund Grant Allocated (Expressed in SDR Equivalent)	% of Expenditures to be Financed
(1)	Works under Parts A, B and D of the Proje	160,000 ect	85%
(2)	Goods under Parts A, B and D of the Project	320,000	100% of foreign expenditures and 85% of local expenditures
(3)	Consultants' services and training under Parts A, B and D of the Proje (including audits)		85%
(4)	MAE Incremental Recurrent Costs		
	(a) for Project Manager	ment 530,000	85%
	(b) for Selected Protect	ed Areas 100,000	85%
	TOTAL	2,800,000 ======	

- 2. For the purposes of this Part A of Schedule 1, the terms:
- (a) "foreign expenditures" means expenditures for goods supplied from the territory of any country other than Ecuador (if not sold while within the customs territory

of Ecuador prior to such goods' acquisition for use under the Project);

- (b) "local expenditures" means expenditures for goods supplied from the territory of Ecuador (i.e., sold while within the customs territory of Ecuador for such goods' first use under the Project) regardless of those goods' territory of origin;
- (c) "MAE Incremental Recurrent Costs" means MAE incremental recurrent costs arising from Project implementation, including: (i) Project related workshops; (ii) office space and utilities; (iii) office equipment and supplies; (iv) travel cost and per diem of staff; and (v) staff salaries and benefits of the central and regional offices of MAE; and
- (d) "training" means training expenditures incurred by MAE in connection with the carrying out of Parts A, B and D of the Project, including tuition, travel cost and per diem of trainers and trainees, rental of facilities and equipment, and training materials.
- 3. Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph 1 above, no withdrawals shall be made in respect of payments made for expenditures prior to the date of this Agreement, except that withdrawals, in an aggregate amount not exceeding the equivalent of SDR280,000, may be made in respect of Categories (1) through (4) of the table in Part A.1 of this Section on account of payments made for expenditures incurred within twelve (12) months prior to the date of this Agreement but after August 15, 2002.
- 4. The Bank may require withdrawals from the MAE GEF Trust Fund Grant Account to be made on the basis of statements of expenditure for:
 - (a) goods and works;
 - (b) consulting firms under contracts costing less than \$100,000 equivalent;
- (c) individual consultants under contracts costing less than \$50,000 equivalent;
 - (d) training; and
 - (e) MAE Incremental Recurrent Costs,

all under such terms and conditions as the Bank shall specify by notice to Ecuador.

Part B. MAE Special Account

- 1. Ecuador (through MAE) shall open and maintain in Dollars a special deposit account, in BCE or a commercial bank acceptable to the Bank, on terms and conditions satisfactory to the Bank, including in case of a commercial bank appropriate protection against set-off, seizure and attachment.
- 2. After the Bank has received satisfactory evidence that the MAE Special Account has been opened, withdrawals from the MAE GEF Trust Fund Grant Account of amounts to be deposited into the MAE Special Account shall be made as follows:
- (a) until the Bank shall have received: (i) the first MAE-FMR referred to in Section 4.02 (b) of this Agreement; and (ii) a request from Ecuador for withdrawal on the basis of MAE-FMRs, withdrawals shall be made in accordance with the provisions of Annex A to this Schedule 1; and
- (b) upon receipt by the Bank of a MAE-FMR pursuant to Section 4.02 (b) of this Agreement, accompanied by a request from Ecuador for withdrawal on the basis of MAE-FMRs, all further withdrawals shall be made in accordance with the provisions of Annex B to this Schedule 1.
- 3. Payments out of the MAE Special Account shall be made exclusively for MAE Eligible Expenditures. For each payment made by Ecuador out of the MAE Special Account, Ecuador shall, at such time as the Bank shall reasonably request, furnish to the Bank such documents and other evidence showing that such payment was made exclusively for MAE Eligible Expenditures.
- 4. Notwithstanding the provisions of Part B.2 of this Schedule, the Bank shall not be required to make further deposits into the MAE Special Account:
- (a) if the Bank determines at any time that any MAE-FMR does not adequately provide the information required pursuant to Section 4.02 of this Agreement;
- (b) if the Bank determines at any time that all further withdrawals should be made by Ecuador directly from the MAE GEF Trust Fund Grant Account; or
- (c) if Ecuador shall have failed to furnish to the Bank within the period of time specified in Section 4.01 (b) (ii) of this Agreement, any of the audit reports required to be furnished to the Bank pursuant to said Section in respect of the audit of: (i) the records and accounts for the MAE Special Account; or (ii) the records and accounts

reflecting expenditures with respect to which withdrawals were made on the basis of MAE-FMRs.

- 5. The Bank shall not be required to make further deposits into the MAE Special Account in accordance with the provisions of Part B.2 of this Schedule if, at any time, the Bank shall have notified Ecuador of its intention to suspend in whole or in part the right of Ecuador to make withdrawals from the MAE GEF Trust Fund Grant Account pursuant to Section 6.02 of the General Conditions. Upon such notification, the Bank shall determine, in its sole discretion, whether further deposits into the MAE Special Account may be made and what procedures should be followed for making such deposits, and shall notify Ecuador of its determination.
- 6. (a) If the Bank determines at any time that any payment out of the MAE Special Account was made for an expenditure which is not an MAE Eligible Expenditure, or was not justified by the evidence furnished to the Bank, Ecuador shall, promptly upon notice from the Bank, provide such additional evidence as the Bank may request, or deposit into the MAE Special Account (or, if the Bank shall so request, refund to the Bank) an amount equal to the amount of such payment.
- (b) If the Bank determines at any time that any amount outstanding in the MAE Special Account will not be required to cover payments for MAE Eligible Expenditures during the six-month period following such determination, Ecuador shall, promptly upon notice from the Bank, refund to the Bank such outstanding amount.
- (c) Ecuador may, upon notice to the Bank, refund to the Bank all or any portion of the funds on deposit in the MAE Special Account.
- (d) Refunds to the Bank made pursuant to subparagraphs (a), (b) or (c) of this paragraph 6 shall be credited to the MAE GEF Trust Fund Grant Account for subsequent withdrawal or for cancellation in accordance with the provisions of the MAE GEF Trust Fund Grant Agreement.

Annex A to SCHEDULE 1

Operation of MAE Special Account When Withdrawals Are Not Made On the Basis of MAE-FMRs

- 1. For the purposes of this Annex the term "MAE Authorized Allocation" means an amount of \$350,000 to be withdrawn from the MAE GEF Trust Fund Grant Account and deposited into the MAE Special Account pursuant to paragraph 2 of this Annex; provided, however, that unless the Bank shall otherwise agree, the MAE Authorized Allocation shall be limited to an amount equal to \$175,000 until the aggregate amount of withdrawals from the MAE GEF Trust Fund Grant Account, plus the total amount of all outstanding special commitments entered into by the Bank pursuant to Section 5.02 of the General Conditions shall equal or exceed SDR350,000.
- 2. Withdrawals of the MAE Authorized Allocation and subsequent withdrawals to replenish the MAE Special Account shall be made as follows:
- (a) For withdrawals of the MAE Authorized Allocation, Ecuador shall furnish to the Bank a request or requests for deposit into the MAE Special Account of an amount or amounts which in the aggregate do not exceed the MAE Authorized Allocation. On the basis of each such request, the Bank shall, on behalf of Ecuador, withdraw from the MAE GEF Trust Fund Grant Account and deposit into the MAE Special Account such amount as Ecuador shall have requested.
- (b) For replenishment of the MAE Special Account, Ecuador shall furnish to the Bank requests for deposit into the MAE Special Account at such intervals as the Bank shall specify. Prior to or at the time of each such request, Ecuador shall furnish to the Bank the documents and other evidence required pursuant to Part B.3 of Schedule 1 to this Agreement for the payment or payments in respect of which replenishment is requested. On the basis of each such request, the Bank shall, on behalf of Ecuador, withdraw from the MAE GEF Trust Fund Grant Account and deposit into the MAE Special Account such amount as Ecuador shall have requested and as shall have been shown by said documents and other evidence to have been paid out of the MAE Special Account for MAE Eligible Expenditures. Each such deposit into the MAE Special Account shall be withdrawn by the Bank from the MAE GEF Trust Fund Grant Account under one or more of the MAE Eligible Categories.
- 3. The Bank shall not be required to make further deposits into the MAE Special Account, once the total unwithdrawn amount of the MAE GEF Trust Fund Grant minus the total amount of all outstanding special commitments entered into by the Bank

pursuant to Section 5.02 of the General Conditions, shall equal the equivalent of twice the amount of the MAE Authorized Allocation. Thereafter, withdrawal from the MAE GEF Trust Fund Grant Account of the remaining unwithdrawn amount of the MAE GEF Trust Fund Grant shall follow such procedures as the Bank shall specify by notice to Ecuador. Such further withdrawals shall be made only after and to the extent that the Bank shall have been satisfied that all such amounts remaining on deposit in the MAE Special Account as of the date of such notice will be utilized in making payments for MAE Eligible Expenditures.

Annex B to SCHEDULE 1

Operation of MAE Special Account When Withdrawals Are Made On the Basis of MAE-FMRs

- 1. Except as the Bank may otherwise specify by notice to Ecuador, all withdrawals from the MAE GEF Trust Fund Grant Account shall be deposited by the Bank into the MAE Special Account in accordance with the provisions of Schedule 1 to this Agreement. Each such deposit into the MAE Special Account shall be withdrawn by the Bank from the MAE GEF Trust Fund Grant Account under one or more of the MAE Eligible Categories.
- 2. Each application for withdrawal from the MAE GEF Trust Fund Grant Account for deposit into the MAE Special Account shall be supported by a MAE-FMR.
- 3. Upon receipt of each application for withdrawal of an amount of the MAE GEF Trust Fund Grant, the Bank shall, on behalf of Ecuador, withdraw from the MAE GEF Trust Fund Grant Account and deposit into the MAE Special Account an amount equal to the lesser of: (a) the amount so requested; and (b) the amount which the Bank has determined, based on the MAE-FMR accompanying said application, is required to be deposited in order to finance MAE Eligible Expenditures during the six-month period following the date of such report; provided, however, that the amount so deposited, when added to the amount indicated by said MAE-FMR to be remaining in the MAE Special Account, shall not exceed \$500,000.

SCHEDULE 2

Description of the Project

The objective of the Project is to ensure the conservation and management of Ecuador's biodiversity for socially sustainable development through the strengthening of SNAP.

The Project consists of the following Parts, subject to such modifications thereof as Ecuador, FAN and the Bank may agree upon from time to time to achieve such objectives:

Part A: Institutional Strengthening and Legal Development

Consolidation of DBAP's role as the regulatory agency for the administration and supervision of SNAP by strengthening DBAP's planning, control and monitoring capacities to ensure effective management of Selected Protected Areas, including:

- 1. updating the Draft SNAP Strategic Plan to coordinate DBAP long-term actions under MAE's institutional framework;
- 2. preparing a financial and managerial system for DBAP, and implementing said system in the Selected Protected Areas;
- 3. developing a financial strategy for SNAP in two (2) Selected Protected Areas;
- 4. implementing pilot service concessions in two (2) Selected Protected Areas, comprising identification, supervision and evaluation of said concessions, preparation of appropriate legal instruments, development of selection criteria and procedures, and preparation of bidding documents;
- 5. designing and implementing a training program for DBAP and the Selected Protected Areas' technical staff;
- 6. strengthening mechanisms for institutional coordination, participation, technical advice and civil society support for SNAP; and
- 7. developing legal instruments to allow the generation of non-budgetary revenues for self-management of the Selected Protected Areas, to promote co-management and participation of Stakeholders in decision-making and Selected Protected Areas management.

Part B: Participatory Management of Selected Protected Areas

Development of participatory management mechanisms consistent with the specific conditions of the Selected Protected Areas, including:

- (a) development and/or implementation of strategic management plans comprising local development plans for indigenous peoples, priority programs and actions, as well as administrative mechanisms to implement efficient management;
 - (b) establishment and strengthening of Participatory Management Committees and technical support groups;
 - (c) operation of environmental interpretation centers;
 - (d) implementation of control and patrolling programs; and
 - (e) strengthening the technical and operational capacities of DBPA.

Part C: Sustainable Financing

Establishment and capitalization of a long-term funding mechanism to support biodiversity conservation by:

- (a) financing the incremental recurrent costs of the Management Plans of the Selected Protected Areas; and
- (b) covering operational costs of FAN and fund-raising activities.

Part D: Project Monitoring and Evaluation

Establishment of a system to monitor and evaluate Project implementation (including audits), through:

- (a) design of SNAP's information and monitoring system, including installation and operation of said system in the Selected Protected Areas and ten (10) regional offices of MAE;
- (b) development of a methodology to evaluate management efficiency in the Selected Protected Areas;

- (c) design and implementation of a social monitoring system, including beneficiary assessments; and
- (d) monitoring and evaluation of the Project Implementation Plan.

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The Project is expected to be completed by December 31, 2006.

SCHEDULE 3

Procurement

Section I. Procurement of Goods and Works

Part A: General

Goods and works shall be procured in accordance with the provisions of Section I of the "Guidelines for Procurement under IBRD Loans and IDA Credits" published by the Bank in January 1995 and revised in January and August 1996, September 1997 and January 1999 (the Guidelines) and the following provisions of Sections I, III and IV of this Schedule.

Part B: International Competitive Bidding

Except as otherwise provided in Part C of this Section, goods and works shall be procured under contracts awarded in accordance with the provisions of Section II of the Guidelines and paragraph 5 of Appendix 1 thereto.

Part C: Other Procurement Procedures

1. National Competitive Bidding

Goods estimated to cost more than \$50,000 equivalent per contract, and not exceeding in the aggregate \$240,000 equivalent, may be procured under contracts awarded in accordance with the provisions of paragraphs 3.3 and 3.4 of the Guidelines.

2. Shopping

Goods estimated to cost \$50,000 equivalent or less per contract, and not exceeding in the aggregate \$220,000 equivalent, may be procured under contracts awarded on the basis of shopping procedures in accordance with the provisions of paragraphs 3.5 and 3.6 of the Guidelines.

3. Procurement of Small Works

Works estimated to cost less than \$50,000 equivalent per contract, up to an aggregate amount not to exceed \$230,000 equivalent, may be procured under lump-sum, fixed-price contracts awarded on the basis of quotations obtained from three (3) qualified

domestic contractors in response to a written invitation. The invitation shall include a detailed description of the works, including basic specifications, the required completion date, a basic form of agreement acceptable to the Bank, and relevant drawings, where applicable. The award shall be made to the contractor who offers the lowest price quotation for the required work, and who has the experience and resources to complete the contract successfully.

Part D: Review by the Bank of Procurement Decisions

1. Procurement Planning

Prior to the issuance of any invitations to bid for contracts, the proposed procurement plan for the Project shall be furnished to the Bank for its review and approval, in accordance with the provisions of paragraph 1 of Appendix 1 to the Guidelines. Procurement of all goods and works shall be undertaken in accordance with such procurement plan as shall have been approved by the Bank, and with the provisions of said paragraph 1.

2. Prior Review

- (a) With respect to: (i) each contract for goods and works to be procured in accordance with the procedures referred to in Part B above; and (ii) the first contract for goods to be procured in accordance with the procedures referred to in Part C.1 above, the procedures set forth in paragraphs 2 and 3 of Appendix 1 to the Guidelines shall apply.
- (b) With respect to the first contract to be procured in accordance with the procedures referred to in Parts C.2 and C.3 above, the following procedures shall apply:
 - (i) prior to the selection of the supplier or contractor, or the execution of such contract under shopping procedures or procurement of small works, Ecuador shall provide to the Bank a report on the comparison and evaluation of quotations received;
 - (ii) prior to the execution of such contract procured under shopping procedures or procurement of small works, Ecuador shall provide to the Bank a copy of the specifications and the draft contract; and
 - (iii) the procedures set forth in paragraphs 2 (f), 2 (g) and 3 of Appendix 1 to the Guidelines shall apply.

3. <u>Post Review</u>

With respect to each contract not governed by paragraph 2 of this Part, the procedures set forth in paragraph 4 of Appendix 1 to the Guidelines shall apply.

Section II. Employment of Consultants

Part A: General

Consultants' services shall be procured in accordance with the provisions of Section I and Section IV of the "Guidelines: Selection and Employment of Consultants by World Bank Borrowers" published by the Bank in January 1997 and revised in September 1997, January 1999 and May 2002 (the Consultant Guidelines), paragraph 1 of Appendix 1 thereto, Appendix 2 thereto, and the following provisions of Sections II, III and IV of this Schedule.

Part B: Quality- and Cost-based Selection

- 1. Except as otherwise provided in Part C of this Section, consultants' services shall be procured under contracts awarded in accordance with the provisions of Section II of the Consultant Guidelines, paragraph 3 of Appendix 1 thereto, Appendix 2 thereto, and the provisions of paragraphs 3.13 through 3.18 thereof applicable to quality- and cost-based selection of consultants.
- 2. The following provisions shall apply to consultants' services to be procured under contracts awarded in accordance with the provisions of the preceding paragraph: the short list of consultants, estimated to cost less than \$200,000 equivalent per contract, may comprise entirely national consultants in accordance with the provisions of paragraph 2.7 of the Consultant Guidelines.

Part C: Other Procedures for the Selection of Consultants

1. Selection Under a Fixed Budget

Services rendered by consulting firms estimated to cost more than \$100,000 but less than \$200,000 equivalent per contract or less, shall be procured under contracts awarded in accordance with the provisions of paragraphs 3.1 and 3.5 of the Consultant Guidelines.

2. Selection Based on Consultants' Qualifications

Services rendered by consulting firms estimated to cost less than \$100,000 equivalent per contract, and not exceeding in the aggregate \$600,000 equivalent, shall be procured under contracts awarded in accordance with the provisions of paragraphs 3.1 and 3.7 of the Consultant Guidelines.

3. Least Cost Selection

Services rendered by consulting firms for assignments of a standard or routine nature estimated to cost less than \$100,000 equivalent per contract, and not exceeding in the aggregate \$400,000 equivalent, shall be procured under contracts awarded in accordance with the provisions of paragraphs 3.1 and 3.6 of the Consultant Guidelines.

4. Individual Consultants

Services for tasks that meet the requirements set forth in paragraph 5.1 of the Consultant Guidelines, and not exceeding in the aggregate \$900,000 equivalent, shall be procured under contracts awarded to individual consultants in accordance with the provisions of paragraphs 5.1 through 5.4 of the Consultant Guidelines.

Part D: Review by the Bank of the Selection of Consultants

1. Selection Planning

A plan for the selection of consultants, which shall include contract cost estimates, contract packaging, and applicable selection criteria and procedures, shall be furnished to the Bank, for its review and approval, prior to the issuance to consultants of any requests for proposals. Such plan shall be updated every six (6) months during the execution of the Project, and each such updating shall be furnished to the Bank for its review and approval. Selection of all consultants' services shall be undertaken in accordance with such selection plan (as updated from time to time) as shall have been approved by the Bank.

2. Prior Review

(a) With respect to: (i) each contract for the employment of consulting firms estimated to cost \$100,000 equivalent or more; and (ii) the first contract for the employment of a consulting firm to be procured in accordance with the procedures referred to in Part C.2 above, the procedures set forth in paragraphs 2, 3, and 5 of Appendix 1 to the Consultant Guidelines shall apply.

(b) With respect to each contract for the employment of individual consultants estimated to cost the equivalent of \$50,000 or more, the report on the comparison of the qualifications and experience of candidates, and the terms of reference and terms of employment of the consultants shall be furnished to the Bank for its prior review and approval. The contract shall be awarded only after the said approval shall have been given. The provisions of paragraph 3 of Appendix 1 to the Guidelines shall also apply to such contracts.

3. Post Review

With respect to each contract not governed by paragraph 2 of this Part, the procedures set forth in paragraph 4 of Appendix 1 to the Consultant Guidelines shall apply.

Section III. Special Provisions

- A. In addition and without limitation or restriction to any other provisions set forth in this Schedule or the Guidelines, the following provisions shall govern the procurement of goods under Part C.1 of Section I of this Schedule:
- 1. Each bid shall be evaluated and the corresponding contract awarded to the responsive bidder who meets appropriate technical and financial standards of capability and whose bid has been determined to be the lowest evaluated bid in a manner satisfactory to the Bank. Such determination shall be made exclusively on the basis of the specifications, conditions and evaluation criteria stipulated in the bidding documents. If any factor additional to the amount or amounts of each bid is to be considered in bid evaluation, such factor or factors and the quantified manner in which they will be applied for purposes of determining the lowest evaluated bid, shall be precisely stipulated in the bidding documents. For purposes of bid evaluation and comparison, the only bid amount or amounts to be used as a factor shall be the bid amount or amounts as quoted in the corresponding bid, including correction of arithmetic errors.
- 2. There will be no prescribed minimum number of bids submitted for a contract to be subsequently awarded.
- 3. Foreign bidders shall not be required to authenticate (*legalizar*) their bidding documents or any documentation related to such bidding documents with Ecuadorian authorities as a prerequisite of bidding.
- 4. Ecuador shall use standard bidding documents satisfactory to the Bank.

- B. In addition and without limitation or restriction to any other provisions set forth in this Schedule or the Consultant Guidelines, the following provisions shall govern all employment of consultants:
- 1. Foreign consultants shall not be required to be locally registered as a condition of participation in the selection process.
- 2. Foreign consultants shall not be required, either directly or indirectly, to give any participation in or share of any consulting contracts to any local firm or person.
- 3. Foreign consulting firms shall not be required, as a condition to provide services, to be registered in Ecuador with a minimum capital different from that required for Ecuadorian firms.
- 4. Foreign consultants, either individuals or firms, shall not be required to pay fees to Ecuadorian Consultants' Association that are different from those required for Ecuadorian consultants.
- 5. No consultant financed by the proceeds of the MAE GEF Trust Fund Grant shall, at the time he or she is carrying out his or her contractual obligations as consultant, hold civil service office or any other position in an agency of Ecuador or any Ecuadorian public sector entity, nor shall such consultant have any right to re-entry into any such office or position upon the conclusion of his or her consulting services.

Section IV. Special Approvals

With respect to any procurement of goods and works, and any employment of consultants to be financed out of the proceeds of the MAE GEF Trust Fund Grant, any approval of bidding documents or requests of proposals or contracts required under the laws of the Borrower shall be given only by MAE.

SCHEDULE 4

Selected Protected Areas

Cuyabeno Fauna Reserve

Cotacachi Cayapas Ecological Reserve

Machalilla National Park

Sangay National Park

Yasuni National Park

Podocarpus National Park

Sumaco Napo Galeras National Park

Manglares Cayapas-Mataje Ecological Reserve

Mache-Chindul Ecological Reserve

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