

March 14 , 1997

Vice Prime Minister
in charge of Finance and Economy
Antananarivo Madagascar

Re: Interim Fund Credit No. N009-MAG
(Second Environment Program Support Project)
Interim Fund Development Credit Agreement (Article I,
Section 1.01)
List of Participating Countries

Dear Sir:

We refer to the Interim Fund Development Credit Agreement (the Agreement) of even date herewith between the Republic of Madagascar (the Borrower) and the International Development Association (the Association) as Administrator (the Administrator) of the interim trust fund (the Interim Fund) established with funds contributed by certain members of the Association pursuant to Resolution No. IDA 184 of the Board of Governors of the Association and, more particularly, to the definition of "Participating Countries" to be found in Section 1.01 (c) thereof.

We have to inform you that, for purposes of the Agreement, the following countries are not "Participating Countries" and, therefore, not eligible to supply goods and services under the Credit: Bahamas, Bahrain, Barbados, Brunei Darussalam, Cyprus, Israel, Oman, Qatar, Singapore, United Arab Emirates and United States. This list of ineligible countries is in addition to the list of ineligible countries under paragraphs 1.6 and 1.8 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 (the Guidelines).

In accordance with the operational policies of the Administrator, the term "ineligible countries" applies both to the nationality of bidders, and to the source of goods and services provided.

Please confirm your agreement to the foregoing by signing the enclosed copy of this letter and returning it to us for our records.

Sincerely yours,

INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION
as Administrator of the interim trust fund established with
funds contributed by certain members of
International Development Association pursuant to
Resolution No. IDA 184 of the Board of Governors of
International Development Association

By
Regional Vice President
Africa

CONFIRMED AND AGREED:

REPUBLIC OF MADAGASCAR

By
Authorized Representative

