

Pre-Approval Meeting Minutes - Paraguay

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UN-REDD NATIONAL JOINT PROGRAMME PARAGUAY MEETING MINUTES FOR PRELIMINARY APPROVAL OF NJP

Meeting goal:	Review of the UN-REDD NJP and its preliminary approval
General information:	Date: 25 June 2008
	Time: 11:00 a.m.
	Venue: United Nations System Office – Asuncion, Paraguay
Participants:	Oscar Rivas, Minister of Environment – Secretariat of the Environment (SEAM)
	Beatriz Silvero, Chief of Staff, SEAM
	Patricia Sacco, Silvia Estigarribia, Advisers, SEAM
	Luis Torales Kennedy, President, INFONA
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- 1. In July 2008, on behalf of the Government of Paraguay, SEAM expressed their wish to participate in the UN-RED Programme. Later on in September that year, SEAM was appointed to implement the Programme. Since then, the readiness process for the NJP has been introduced by the actors involved. An introduction to the Programme has been given to Indigenous People organizations, NGOs and other public and private institutions.
- 2. Since the beginning, the UN-REDD Programme has operated with the advice of the regional interagency group formed by FAO, UNDP and UNEP in order to ensure that the final document be issued in compliance with the conditions stated by the UN-REDD Policy Board.
- 3. Under the coordination of SEAM, a technical team was created for preparing the NJP. The team is formed by representatives of INFONA, SEAM and CAPI.
- 4. The Technical Team created a draft of the NJP seeking to integrate various institutional aspects as well as the interests of Indigenous Peoples. At the end, a meeting was held together with the inter-agency group. Consensus was reached between the inter-agency group and the participating institutions (INFONA, SEAM and CAPI) on a preliminary version of the NJP.
- 5. It is important to mention that this version of the NJP includes an additional chapter named "Guidelines of the Coordinating Committee for Indigenous Peoples Self Determination (CAPI) for the Implementation of the National Joint Programme in Indigenous Territories".

AGREEMENTS:

- 1. Request that the UN System Resident Coordinator in Paraguay submit this preliminary version of the NJP to the UN-REDD Secretariat and Policy Board for consideration.
- 2. Continue socialization and consultation process regarding the document drafted by SEAM, INFONA and CAPI.
- 3. The REDD National Technical Team (SEAM, INFONA and CAPI) will complete the drafting of the NJP document during the inception phase once the UN-REDD Policy Board has correspondingly allocated resources for this Programme.

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