



REPUBLICA DE COSTA RICA

Ministerio del Ambiente y Energía

Despacho del Ministro

July, 29, 2005

Dear Ms. Waller-Hunter:

RE: Agenda Item for COP11 and COP/MOP 1
 "Incentives for Reducing Emissions from
 Deforestation in Developing Countries"

Noting the presentation made by Papua New Guinea at the Seminar of Governmental Experts (SOGE) in Bonn on May 17 2005, I have the honor to inform you that Costa

Rica wishes to support the request made by Papua New Guinea

In accordance with Rule 10(d) of the draft of Procedure FCCC/CP/1996/2 to be applied at COP 11 and COP/MOP 1 [see FCCC/SBI/2005/4 paragraph 6], we request that an item entitled 'Incentives for reducing emissions from deforestation in developing countries' be placed on the agenda for both COP 11 and COP/MOP.

1. Costa Rica notes the coherence of the presentation and the corresponding request with 'the specific needs and concerns of developing country Parties arising from adverse effects of climate change and/or the impact of implementation of response measure, especially on countries with forested areas and areas liable to forest decay, countries with stress fragile ecosystems, including mountamous ecosystems' as stated in UNECCC articles 4.3 (f) and (g).

Costa Rica strongly believes that forest ecosystems can and should play a significant role in reducing GHG emissions through different activities. Parties should start to discuss these issues in the COP 11 and COP/MOP.

Please accept, Madame Executive Secretary, the assurances of my highest consideration.

Respectfully yours,

Carlos Manuel Rodríguez Esquivel
 Minister of Environment and Energy

