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To:

Mr. Ivo de Boer

Executive Secretary of the UNFCCC

Subject:

Association of Georgia with the Copenhagen Accord

Dear Mr. Ivo de Boer

The Ministry of Environment Protection and Natural Resources of Georgia acting as a Focal Point to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) and its Kyoto Protocol would like to express its sincere gratitude to the UNFCCC Secretariat for the successful continuous support to the country in the implementation of various policies and guiding principles of the Climate Change Convention and its Kyoto Protocol.

Georgia, as a Party to the UNFCCC and its Kyoto Protocol wishes to associate with the Copenhagen Accord and to be included in the chapeau of the Copenhagen Accord (as a developing country as it is used in the Copenhagen Accord).

Sincerely Yours,

George Zedginidze Deputy Minister

APPENDIX II

Nationally appropriate mitigation actions of developing country Parties

Non-Annex I	Actions		
Georgia	To establish Nationally appropriate mitigation actions (NAMAs) in the context of sustainable development, supported and enabled by technology and capacity-building, in a measurable, reportable and verifiable manner.		
	To achieve a measurable, reportable and verifiable deviation from the baseline (below business as usual levels) supported and enabled by technology and capacity-building.		
	To establish the baseline or reference case against which the action shall be measured, reported and verified. All mitigation actions by Georgia will be voluntary and nationally appropriate actions supported and enabled by technology, financing, and capacity-building, through existing mechanisms, the Technology Mechanism and other mechanisms established by the Copenhagen Accord. To support the implementation of the mechanisms mentioned in the Copenhagen Accord, in particular the Technology Mechanism, Copenhagen Green Climate Fund and the High Level Panel. To support the Clean Development Mechanism (CDM) as one of the most important means for further cooperation in the field of NAMAs since CDM holds the potential to lead to significant investments, better environmental performance, job creation and poverty alleviation. To develop a low carbon growth plan and low carbon strategy, in particular through the use of renewable energy investments and global cooperation.		
	To take effort to build a low-carbon economy that ensures continued growth and sustainable development taking into consideration that		
	Georgia is partly occupied and the country is suffered from ethnic cleansing and the crimes of war;		
	• Five (5) million people live in Georgia, of which five hundred thousand (500,000) are Internally Displaced Persons;		
	Georgia is subject to repeated provocations by its neighbor; and		
	 The armed conflict in 2008 has resulted in enormous damage to the environment, a common value and heritage of the Georgian people, in particular the burning of the virgin forests in national protected area of Georgia forests left the landscape devastated. 		
	Despite all these challenges Georgia is committed to endorse the scientific evidence for climate change and to participate in international actions against climate change.		