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Amendment No. 3 to the Project Cooperation Agreement (PCA)

between

the Ministerio de Medio Ambiente y Recursos Naturales (Ministry of Environment and Natural Resources)

and

the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP)

on the project "Integrating Water, Land and Ecosystems Management in Caribbean Small Island Developing States" (IWEco)"

Pursuant to the section on Notification and Amendments, paragraph 66, of the UNEP/PCA/ECOSYSTEMS/2018/MCEB-CEP/002 dated 15 February 2019 and Amendments 1 and. 2 dated 5 October 2020 and 31 March 2022 respectively between United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) and the Ministerio de Medio Ambiente y Recursos Naturales, Dominican Republic (Ministry of Environment and Natural Resources) in support of the national project entitled "Integrated Management of the Biodiversity, Freshwater and Land Resources of the Higüamo River Watershed and its Associated Coastal Zone, including Mitigating Climate Change Impacts", the Parties agree to amend the Agreement.

The purpose of this Amendment is to modify the UNEP/PCA/ECOSYSTEMS/2018/MCEB-CEP/002 in the following aspects:

1. Modify the agreement to include the strengthening of monitoring capacity through the procurement of laboratory equipment to conform with the needs assessment conducted in 2021 by the IWEco Project.

"The Project saw the need to strengthen the capacity of selected laboratories of the project countries through the acquisition of field and laboratory equipment, and in personnel training for the laboratory to effectively provide reliable and accurate monitoring, surveillance and basic analytical services to support national IWEco practices, national environmental monitoring programmes and international treaty obligations with respect to reporting. To that end, a laboratory capacity-building exercise was carried out in 2020-2021 under the GEF-funded IWEco Project to update and expand the scope of the IWCAM assessment of laboratory capacity carried out in 2008-2009. Consequently, the objective of the amendment is to facilitate the acquisition of the equipment (list attached)."

2. Modify paragraph 11 of the agreement respective to the total project cost to reflect an increase of USD28,000 (from USD1,430,646 to USD1,458,646). See attached list of laboratory equipment and estimated prices.

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3. This Amendment No. 3 shall enter into force upon the date of the last signature of the approving officials below.

All other terms and conditions of the Agreement and previous amendments remain valid and unchanged.

This Amendment shall be appended to the Agreement and shall be construed an integral part of it.

Bruno Pozzi for:

Susan Gardner Director, Ecosystems Division UNEP

2/12/2022 Date: _____ Milagros de Camps Deputy Minister Ministry of Environment and Natural Resources

Date: _____