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**Re: RWANDA GAFSP PROPOSAL**

Dear Sir,

We are pleased to submit Rwanda’s proposal for funding support under the Global Agriculture and Food Security Program (GAFSP). If approved, the proposal would contribute significantly to closing the financing gap which currently exists in connection with the planned implementation of Rwanda's third Strategic Plan for Agricultural Transformation (PSTA III) and the associated Second Agricultural Support Investment Plan (ASIP II).

Rwanda's GAFSP proposal seeks to support Sustainable Agricultural Intensification for Improved Livelihoods, Food Security and Nutrition Project (SAIP). SAIP aims at enhancing Agriculture development by ensuring the ultimate result of improving livelihoods and food and nutrition security through increased agricultural productivity, value addition and access to markets in an environmentally sustainable manner.

The proposal was presented to and endorsed by the Agricultural Sector Working Group (ASWG) on 14th December 2016. We submit here attached with endorsement from the European Union, co-chair of the ASWG.

We thank you in advance for your consideration of our proposal during the Fourth Call for Proposals under the GAFSP Public Sector Window. We would like to reassure you that your support would significantly contribute to Rwanda's vision for food security and agricultural growth.

Minister of Finance and Economic

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