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Mr. Mikko Ollikainen,  
Manager of the Fund,  
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Washington DC 20433, USA.

Dear Mr. Mikko,

I am pleased to write to you in my capacity as the Chair of the Royal Society for Protection of Nature (RSPN). As you may be aware, RSPN is currently pursuing accreditation with Adaptation Fund. RSPN is the oldest and pioneer environmental conservation agency in the country. So far, it has been instrumental in bringing positive changes to the country's environmental conservation and increasing community's resilience to climate change through implementation of adaptation projects in the local communities. RSPN ensures considering social and environmental safeguards and gender mainstreaming in all its programs and projects. Given this capacity, RSPN remains committed to abide by the Adaptation Fund's Environmental, Social and Gender Policy.

Thanking you,

Yours sincerely,

(Mr. Phub Dorji)  
Chairperson  
RSPN Board of Directors