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República de Costa Rica

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Madam
KIM Hyun-mee
Minister
Ministry of Land, Infrastructure and Transport
Republic of Korea

Dear Minister:

Thank you for your correspondence of April 02, 2019. I am pleased to extend my warm greetings and take this opportunity to congratulate the Korean government's commitment and consistent efforts to contribute to global development efforts. The Republic of Korea (ROK) is a model of development success in many fields by successfully responding to further develop a sustainable and inclusive society.

Regarding the project proposals called "Master Plan of Transit Oriented Development (TOD) along with the Proposed Fast Passenger Train (FPT) Route in the Greater Metropolitan Area (GMA), Costa Rica" and "Establishment of a Master Plan for Advanced Traffic Management System in San José, Costa Rica", we herewith like to inform you that both, the Institute of Housing and Urban Planning (INVU) and the Road Safety Council (COSEVI) of the Ministry of Public Works and Transport (MOPT), correspondingly, are in the process of reviewing the Project Concept Papers -PCPs- kindly submitted by MOLIT, in accordance with national applicable procedures, plans and policies.

Our National Plan for Development and Public Investment 2019-2022 (PNDIP 2018-2019, Spanish acronym) is structured in seven Strategic Articulation Areas. Each of these are the space where interinstitutional and intersectoral work converges, and are formed by sectors and institutions that will comprehensively address the respective identified challenges, which are complex, changing and multidimensional. The general objective of the Strategic Area of Infrastructure, Mobility and Territorial Planning seeks to generate conditions of urban planning, territorial ordering, infrastructure and mobility for the achievement of resilient, sustainable and inclusive urban and rural spaces, and is under the coordination of the Ministry of Public Works and Transportation and the Office of the First Lady.

The support of the Republic of Korea through international development cooperation in the fields of urban planning and infrastructure will undoubtedly contribute to address the main challenges of public policies in the pathways for the decarbonization of the economy and in accordance with the interventions associated with the PNDIP 2018-2019 and the Plan for Decarbonization 2018-2050 of Costa Rica. Planning for decarbonization guides the process





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to establish the route between the current goals and 2050 in order to lead to a slowdown in CO₂ emissions in the medium and long term, consistent with the fulfillment of the objectives of the 2030 Agenda and the Paris Agreement.

Therefore, we are looking forward to turn these possibilities into virtuous joint projects, as we also firmly believe that our cooperation on these fields will encourage genuine partnerships, and will put forward cooperative solutions under the Korea 2020 ODA infrastructure program by mutual learning and sharing development lessons.

Sincerely yours,

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Minister a.i.

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