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### **To whom it may concern**

The Pesticides Initiative Programme (PIP) started during the second half of 2001. It is financed by the EDF and executed by COLEACP for a period of seven years. The PIP's specific objective is to support companies in the ACP-EU horticultural industry by aligning exports to meet the new European requirements on maximum residue limits (MRLs) and product traceability. This programme was designed within the framework of the European Commission's strategy for supporting development of the private sector.

On behalf of the Pesticides Initiative Programme, I acknowledge that Chemiphar (U) Ltd. has been selected as service provider following calls for tenders under reference PIP N°0445-LOTS 1&3 (PIP 1<sup>st</sup> Phase - from June 2005 to July 2008) and PIP N°0774 (Transition Phase from July 2008 to July 2009) in order to provide laboratory analysis of pesticide residues on fruits/vegetables and bacteriological analysis of water/fruits/vegetables as part of the compliance process for fruits and vegetables exported by ACP countries to European markets, within the framework of the Pesticides Initiative Programme (PIP).

Since mid-2005 (until now), the inputs included the analysis of several tens of fruit, vegetable and water samples (from a dozen of different Ugandan exporting companies) for multi-residue screening (pesticides), dithiocarbamates quantification and microbiological detection.

I can confirm that all of the above assignments were successfully undertaken and that the final reports associated with each were accepted by the PIP Project Management Unit.

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