

Statement of engagement with the ARRC task force

July 21st 2020

To whom it may concern,

This letter acknowledges that we, the ARRC Task Force of the IUCN SSC Primate Specialist Group Section on Great Apes, have been contacted by Biotope and MERIDIAM concerning the Kinguélé Aval hydroelectric project in Gabon. They have presented preliminary information in a Powerpoint presentation and will be providing version 4 of the Biodiversity Action Plan (BAP) before July 24th 2020 for an ARRC Panel review. The comments of the ARRC Panel on the BAP version 4 will be delivered by August 14th 2020, and will be attached to the documentation presented to the International Finance Corporation for the financial closure. It is our understanding that these comments will then be taken into consideration into the subsequent versions of the BAP.

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have further questions.

Sincerely,

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