

To:

Mr. James Rawley

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From:

Ms. Sara Ferrer Olivella

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MDG-F Secretariat

Subject:

No-cost extension request: MDGF-1775 - "Mobilization of the Dahshour World Heritage Site for

Date: 03 November 2011

Community Development" - Culture and Development - Thematic Window

## I. Approval Status

We are pleased to inform you that, as per your request, the MDG-F Secretariat has granted the Joint Programme "Mobilization of the Dahshour World Heritage Site for Community Development" a no cost extension of 12 months. Thus, the new end date of the Joint Programme is 14 April 2013. Please note that this is a one-time only amendment intended to allow the Joint Programme to complete its activities and achieve its expected results. At this end date, the programme should be operationally closed, so that no new financial commitments are made, only outstanding payments. Any unspent funds within the agreed timeframe (14 April 2013) will have to be disbursed to the MDG-F.

## II. Recommendations

We welcome the excellent work of the team in preparing the improvement plan and sustainability plan and exit strategy. We note that the work plan has been submitted for only 12 months and not 18 months to cover the remaining period of the joint programme with the requested extension. We recommend that the team resubmit the work plan that covers the remaining period of the programme ie. 18 months (November 2011- April 2013). We look forward to receiving the revised work plan. Only upon submission of the complete work plan for 18 months the approval of 14 April 2013, new end date for the joint programme, will be officially in effect.

## III. Monitoring and Reporting

Quarterly color-coded annual work plans, and biannual monitoring reports should continue to be prepared and submitted to the MDG-F Secretariat. Please be reminded that each Joint Programme is responsible for conducting its final evaluation prior to the closure of the programme and sharing the final report with the MDG-F Secretariat.

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We would highly appreciate it if you could forward this memo to all participating UN agencies to the joint programme, and each participating UN agency should forward the memo to their corresponding HQs. Further information on the closure of programmes are available on the revised "MDG-F Joint Implementation Guidelines" uploaded on the MDG-F website (www.mdgfund.org).

With best wishes.

cc.:

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