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From: Ms. Sara
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Subject: No-cost extension request: Joint Programme MDGF-1680 "Enhancing the Capacity of Turkey to Adapt to Climate Change"

Dear Mr. Najam,

I. Approval Status

We are pleased to inform you that, as per your request, the MDG-F Secretariat has granted the Joint Programme "Enhancing the Capacity of Turkey to Adapt to Climate Change" a no cost extension of three (3) months and 28 days. Thus, the new end date of the Joint Programme is 31 December 2011. 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 (31 December 2011) will have to be disbursed to the MDG-F.

II. Recommendations

The exit and sustainability strategy submitted is clear and comprehensive addressing key aspects both at local and central level. We welcome the initiative of undertaking a final dissemination event, and agree with the conclusions at the PMC that such an event should advocate, inform and contribute to integrating the findings and outcomes of the Joint Programme into national policy, plans and strategies; as well as to strengthen key partnerships with other stakeholders in order to ensure its continuation and sustainability.

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. Further information on the closure of programmes will be available on the revised "MDG-F Joint Implementation Guidelines" which will be soon uploaded on the MDG-F website (www.mdgf.org).

With best wishes.

cc.:

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