

To: Mr. Shahid Najam
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Date: 24 April 2012

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Subject: No-cost extension request – Second Amendment-MDGF:1792 – *“Alliances for Culture Tourism (ACT) in Eastern Anatolia”*
Culture and Development Thematic Window

Dear Mr. Najam,

I. Approval Status

Further to the approved amendment memo dated 29 November 2011 granting a no-cost extension until 30 April 2012 for the Joint Programme *“Alliances for Culture Tourism (ACT) in Eastern Anatolia”*, we are pleased to inform you that, as per your request, the MDG-F Secretariat has amended the no-cost extension request to grant an additional 1 (one) month to enable the adequate closure of the joint programme and wrap up the final evaluation process. Thus, the new end date of the Joint Programme is 31 May 2012. At this end date, the programme should be operationally closed, so that no new financial commitments are made, only outstanding payments. Any unspent fund within the agreed timeframe (31 May 2012) will have to be returned to the MDG-F.

II. 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.

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

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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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