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Ref.: UNDP/RR/14/415

Date: 30 March 2014

Dear Ms. Hopkins,

**Subject: No-cost extension request until 31 July 2014 for PBF IRF 29
Consolidating Peace through DDR in South Kordofan State and Khartoum State**

Reference is made to the 'PBF/IRF-29 Consolidating Peace through DDR in Southern Kordofan State and Khartoum State'.

I am sincerely thankful of PBSO's valuable support to the DDR Programme in Sudan. There was tremendous effort and thought in moving the programme forward despite a complex and challenging context in the country and the region, of which I believe you are aware. In fact, the PBSO's commitment to remain engaged has enabled the programme to generate lessons from the reintegration, specifically from livelihoods support to former fighters. These lessons are now guiding the transition to a "community security and stabilization programme" that aims to incentivize peace which the people of Sudan and the region need at this juncture. International partners are regularly informed of our progress and they recognize the existing challenges. They also appreciate the programme lessons and successes that have been achieved.

In this regard, we would like to request for a no-cost extension for the current balance of funds till 31 July 2014 to finalize the current project. I am pleased to inform you that current partners of the project have already agreed to a project extension (including their financial support) and we look forward to also aligning the PBF contribution to the final project timeframe of 31 July 2014. Please note that 95% of the US\$ 4.68 million contribution to the programme has already been spent. The PBF contribution balance (5% of total contribution) would be used for surveys, monitoring and evaluation, and consolidating lessons from the current project, in line with the current project agreement.

In closing, please accept our sincerest appreciation for all the support extended to the United Nation's work in Sudan, including your support to the UNDP DDR Programme. I look forward to our continued cooperation and partnership in the future.

Sincerely,

Ali Al Za'tari
UN Resident & Humanitarian Coordinator
UNDP Resident Representative

Ms. Judy Cheng-Hopkins
Assistant Secretary General for Peace Building Support
New York

Cc: Mr. Brain Williams, Chief, Financing for Peace Building Branch, Peace Building Support Office
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Project Budget Revision with No Cost Implications and No Outcome Change

Project Title: PBF/IRF-29 Consolidating Peace through DDR in Southern Kordofan State and Central Sector States	Recipient UN Organization(s): UNDP
Project Contact: Address: UNDP DDR Sudan Telephone: E-mail: srinivas.kumar@undp.org	Implementing Partner(s) – name & type (Government, CSO, etc): Sudan DDR Commission
Project Number: PBF/IRF-29	Project Location: South Kordofan and Central Sector (SUDAN)
Project Description: <i>One sentence describing the main reasons of the revised initial project document in terms of project strategy and how it contributes to the peacebuilding process in the country with reference to the main expected overall project outcomes / theory of change.</i>	PBF Approved budget: 4,068,010 Total project budget: Funds received - 75,391,720 (inclusive of PBF and CSAC funds from Norway and Japan).
	Project Start Date: 01.03.2011 Initial Project End Date: 31.12.2013 Revised End Date: 31.07.2014
Gender Marker Score¹: ____ <i>Score 3 for projects that have gender equality as a principal objective.</i> <i>Score 2 for projects that have gender equality as a significant objective.</i> <i>Score 1 for projects that will contribute in some way to gender equality, but not significantly.</i> <i>Score 0 for projects that are not expected to contribute noticeably to gender equality.</i>	
Project Outcomes: Outcome 1: Respond to imminent threats to the peace process and initiatives that support peace agreements and political dialogue & Outcome 3: Stimulate economic revitalization to general peace dividends.	

¹ The PBSO monitors the inclusion of women and girls in all PBF projects in line with SC Resolutions 1325, 1612, 1888, 1889.

Outcome 2: Build or strengthen national capacities to promote coexistence and peaceful resolution of conflict.

Outcome 3: Stimulate economic revitalization to general peace dividends.

PBF Outcomes² which best summarizes the focus of the project:

<i>(for IRF-funded projects)*</i>	
Recipient UN Organization(s) <i>Name of Representative: Ali Al Za'tari</i> <i>Signature</i> <i>Name of Agency UNDP</i> <i>Date & Seal 02 APR 2014</i> <i>(Usually SRSG for mission settings and RC for non-mission settings. If it is a joint project all the Heads of UN Entities/Agencies receiving funds should sign)</i>	Representative of National Authorities <i>Name of Government Counterpart</i> <i>Signature</i> <i>Title</i> <i>Date & Seal</i>
Peacebuilding Support Office (PBSO) <i>Name of Representative</i> <i>Signature</i> <i>Peacebuilding Support Office, NY</i> <i>Date & Seal</i>	Resident Coordinator (RC) <i>Name of Representative: Ali Al Za'tari</i> <i>Signature</i> <i>RCO,</i> <i>Date & Seal 02 APR 2014</i>

* If the budget change within the project is less than 15% between the categories, then only the signature of the RUNO is required. This form is then provided to the Government, to PBSO and to MPTF for information only. If the budget change within the project is more than 15% between the categories, then the signatures of the Government and the Resident Coordinator are needed, before submission to PBSO for approval.

² PBF outcome areas

1: Support the implementation of peace agreements and political dialogue (Priority Area 1):

(1.1) SSR; (1.2) RoL; (1.3) DDR; (1.4) Political Dialogue;

2: Promote coexistence and peaceful resolution of conflicts (Priority Area 2):

(2.1) National reconciliation; (2.1) Democratic Governance; (2.3) Management of natural resources;

3: Revitalize the economy and generate immediate peace dividends (Priority Area 3);

(3.1) Short-term employment generation; (3.2) Sustainable livelihoods

4) (Re)-establish essential administrative services (Priority Area 4)

(4.1) Public administration; (4.2) Public service delivery (including infrastructure).

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a) Nature of change and justification:

There are no changes being made to the project. Only 5% of the total contribution is remaining which will be used for remaining M&E and survey activities which are important in consolidating lessons from the programme.

b) Impact on the project outcomes

None

II. Budget impact

a) Budget revision:

No budget revision proposed but only to utilize the balance for M&E related activities.

I. Reason for changes to the project and justification

a) Nature of change and justification:

There are no changes proposed but an extension is being sought for a 5% balance out of total contribution by PBF to the programme. This balance would be used to complete remaining M&E activities.

b) Impact on the project outcomes:

As indicated in previous reports, most of the project activities have been completed with project outcomes reported on in annual report to PBF in 2012. An annual report for 2013 highlights further achievements of the entire programme. However, with this extension no further impact is being envisioned, except that the project would be phasing out.

II. Budget impact

a) Budget revision:

No budget revision proposed.