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MDG-F Secretariat

Subject:

No-cost extension request: MDGF-1888 – "Creating opportunities for Youth Employment in Sudan"

Date: 23 December 2011

Youth, Employment and Migration - 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 "Creating opportunities for Youth Employment in Sudan" a no cost extension of 8 months. Thus, the new end date of the Joint Programme is 30 August 2012. 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 30 August 2012 will have to be disbursed to the MDG-F.

II. Recommendations

We would like to take this opportunity to thank you for the preparation of the mid-term evaluation exercise and we look forward to receiving the improvement plan following the midterm evaluation final report to increase the effectiveness of the programme interventions.

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.

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 is 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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