

To: Mr. Bruno Pouezat  
UN Resident Coordinator  
Morocco

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Subject: No-cost extension request – Amendment-MDGF:1707– “*Multisectoral Programme for the fight against gender-based violence through the empowerment of women and girls in Morocco*”  
Gender Equality and Women’s Empowerment - Thematic Window

Dear Mr. Pouezat,

### **I. Approval Status**

Further to the approved memo dated 08 February 2011 granting an initial no-cost extension until 28 May 2012 for the Joint Programme “*Multisectoral Programme for the fight against gender-based violence through the empowerment of women and girls in Morocco*”, we are pleased to inform you that, on an exceptional basis, 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 28 June 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 (28 June 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.

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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](http://www.mdgfund.org)).

With best wishes.

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