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Subject: No-cost extension request: Amendment-MDGF-2030: *“Ensuring Food Security and Nutrition for Children 0-2 Years Old in the Philippines”*
Children, Food Security and Nutrition - Thematic Window

I. Approval Status

Further to the approved memo dated the 19 September 2012 granting a no-cost extension until 18 April 2013 for the Joint Programme *“Ensuring Food Security and Nutrition for Children 0-2 Years Old in the Philippines”*, we wish to inform you that, as per your request and as an exception, the MDG-F Secretariat has amended the no-cost extension request to grant 2 months and 12 additional days 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 30 June 2013. 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 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 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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