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Subject: No-cost extension request
MDGF-1978 – “*Sustained Peace for Development: Conflict Prevention and Peace-Building in Sudan*”
Conflict Prevention and Peace Building - Thematic Window

I. Approval Status

Given the extraordinary situation resulting from the fighting and access restrictions to the programme sites place by the authorities, we are pleased to inform you that, as per your request, the MDG-F Secretariat has granted the Joint Programme “*Sustained Peace for Development: Conflict Prevention and Peace-Building in Sudan*” a no cost extension of six (6) months and twenty (20) days; thus the new end date of the programme is 30 December 2012. Please note that this is a one-time only extension 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 December 2012) will have to be reimbursed 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.

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