

Elsie Initiative Fund (EIF) Project Document (PRODOC) Revision Request

Complete this **EIF PRODOC Revision Request** where a **Budget** and/or **No-cost Extension Revision** is requested¹, attach the following annexes and submit the signed request to the EIF Secretariat:



- **Annex A** - Updated workplan
- **Annex B** - Updated Budget where required
- **Annex C** – Original PRODOC

Project Information:			
T/PCC and Security Institution Name:			
Project Title:	MOWIP Barrier Assessment for Royal Cambodian Armed Forces (RCAF)- Women perspectives and participation in Peace Operations		
Project Description:	<p>Since the first UN deployment to Sudan in 2006, RCAF has made considerable progress in peacekeeping with presence in multiple UN peacekeeping missions across the globe. In recognition of meaningful contribution of women and in support of the UN Security Council resolution 2242, the Royal Government of Cambodia (RGC) has been supporting the effort to increase female peacekeepers and respectfully so, Cambodia is now ranked 2nd in ASEAN in terms of women contribution to UN peace operations. In 2021, which marks 15th year in peacekeeping, Cambodia has deployed 105 women amongst the 787 personnel. Nevertheless, there is improvement opportunity to ensure that RCAF will meet the UN target for 2028, which is 25%+ women military observers and staff officers and 15%+ women serving in military contingents.</p> <p>The measuring opportunities for women in Peace Operations (MOWIP) assessment for the Royal Cambodian Armed Forces (RCAF) examines the capacity of RCAF through the ten issue areas in support of its current effort to increase women's participation in UN peace operations. Through this framework, the project seeks to further understand and address specific barriers in the ten issue areas with the aim to increase meaningful participation of women in UN operations. It will quantitatively and qualitatively analyze the issue areas using data from the three collection methods namely fact-finding form (FFF), key decision-maker interviews, and minimum of 380 surveys will be conducted (50% M and 50% F). The MOWIP will be conducted on the Royal Cambodian Army and the data collection will be conducted by the independent research institution, the Centre for Peace and Conflict Studies (CPCS) in close collaboration with Cornell University GSS Lab to further understand the barriers for women in peacekeeping in the context of the Royal Cambodian Armed Forces (RCAF). UN Women Cambodia and the National Center for Peacekeeping Force (NPMEC) will work closely with the independent research institution to provide logistic and administrative support to ensure successful collection of data.</p>		
Project Location:	Cambodia		
Original Start Date:	1 July 2022	Funds Transfer Date:	1 July 2022

¹ For Project Revision Requests, the Fund recipient is to submit a revised PRODOC and annexes

Original End date:	30 September 2023	New End Date:	31 January 2024
Original Project Cost	US\$ 247, 736.03	Additional Funding Sought	US\$ 0
US\$:		Amended Project Total Cost	

Nature of the Amendment – check each box that applies
<input type="checkbox"/> Budget Revision: (i) increase in budget; (ii) variation between budget categories; (iii) change to total budget or any outcome
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No-cost Extension Revision

T/PCC FUND RECIPIENT Where the fund recipient is a T/PCC, the following signatories are required:	PUNO FUND RECIPIENT Where the fund recipient is a PUNO, the following signatories are required:
Name of the Government Coordinating Entity (GCE)²: Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation	Name of United Nations Entity³: UN Women
Signatory Name: His Excellency Sokhnonn PRAK Position: Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation and Chairman of National Coordination Committee Signature: Date: Telephone Number: Email:	Signatory Name: Cristiano Ottoni Position: Officer-in-charge, UN Women Regional Office for Asia and the Pacific Signature:  Date:  Telephone Number: Email: Cristiano.ottoni@unwomen.org
Name of the National Entity (NE)⁴: National Center for Peacekeeping Force, Mine, and ERW Clearance (NPMEC)	UN Women Atlas Project No: 00108609
Signatory Name: Malinda Kosal Position: Deputy Director-General Signature: Date: Telephone Number: Email: Malinda.k117@gmail.com	
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Justification: Please provide a detailed justification to support your project revision request.
Significant progress has been made in the research - Measuring Opportunities for Women in Peace Operations (MOWIP). With good coordination and support from the National Center for Peacekeeping Force (NPMEC) and the Center for Peace and Conflict Studies (CPCS) the research team was able to complete all the survey interviews by 28 March 2023. In total, 439 (190 women) surveys were

² To be signed by the same GCE that signed the MOA

³ To be signed by the PUNO Country Office Head / Representative

⁴ CHoD / MOD; or Police Commissioner / MOI

completed. In addition, the research team has completed all indicators in the Fact-Finding Form and interviews with key decision makers. In total, 12 interviews with key decision makers were conducted with high level representatives from Ministry of Defense, NPMEC, Ministry of Women's Affairs (MoWA) and the Permanent Mission of Cambodia to the UN.

Despite the fact that the research team has completed data collection, there was a delay in data cleaning, producing a skeleton report and validation workshop for the research findings. There was time needed for Cornell to clean and process data and produce the skeleton report. The skeleton report has been completed and the professional writer has now started writing the full report. Based on lessons learnt from the research implementation, the suggestions of including a focus group discussion as a part of validation were also raised to add more context to the data review process. There is also a need to allow additional time for translation processes – for producing internal report in English, to be translated to Khmer for validation process, and then the external report will need to be made available in English and Khmer as well as allowing time for proper launching and raising awareness on the report.

With the research partner (CPCS) has consulted further with Cornell and NPMEC to develop a revised timeline reflecting evolving progress of the project. This will require a request for extension of the project to allow the project partners to have sufficient time to complete all activities in the workplan. Therefore, we would like to request for a non-cost extension for four months till 31 January 2024.

Annex A: Updated Workplan

- **complete for both a Budget and No-cost Extension revision request**
- **include a copy of your updated workplan showing the new end date**

Please refer to attached revised workplan.

Annex B: Updated Budget

- **complete only where additional funds are requested**

Insert a copy of your updated budget here.

- use a copy of the original MS Excel budget and update to reflect additional costs requested
- highlight all line items where the amount has changed (increase or decrease) in **yellow**
- enter an explanation for each additional cost requested in "Column L – Observations"
- ensure that UNDG Category 8 - Indirect Costs, **is exactly 7%** of the updated total budget amount
- ensure that the amended project total on page one above, is equal to the total on the new budget
- email a copy of the MS Excel budget to the EIF Secretariat.

Annex C: Original signed PRODOC

- email a copy of the Original signed PRODOC to the EIF Secretariat