MULTI-PARTNER TRUST FUND FOR UN ACTION AGAINST SEXUAL VIOLENCE IN CONFLICT PROJECT PROPOSAL SUBMISSION FORM

Part A. Meeting Information		
(To be completed by the UN Action Secretariat)		
RMC Meeting No: UNA019	Project ¹ No: UNA041	
Date of Meeting: 25 June 2015	RMC members in attendance at meeting: Veronica Birga (OHCHR) Natalie Man (DPKO) Claudia Garcia Moreno (WHO) Norul Rashid (UN Women) Laura Martin (UN Action Secretariat)	
Part B. Project Summary (To be completed by the Participating UN Organization)		
Date of Submission: May 2015	Participating UN Organization(s): UNODC, WHO	
	Participating UN Organization receiving funds: UNODC	
Focal Point of the Participating UN Organization(s): Name: Charity Kagwi-NdunguAne Birk	Project Title: Building Capacity for Response to Sexual Violence in the Criminal Justice System in Somaliland	
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UN Action pillar of activity: Advocacy Knowledge building Support to UN system at country level	Projected Project Duration: 1 April 2015 - 31 December 2016	
Proposed project, if approved, would	Total Project Budget: 150,712	
result in:	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	
New Project		
Continuation of previous funding	Amount of MPTF funds requested:	

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Other (explain)	150,712 US	SD		
No-cost extension: (from – to)	_	Percentage of indirect support costs from MPTF contribution:		
	PUNO	Programme Cost	Indirect Costs (7%)	Total
	UNODC	140,853	9,860	150,712
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Application Instructions for Narrative Summary

The questions below are for guidance in developing the narrative under each sub-heading. Applicants should address these questions to the extent possible.

I. Overview

- a. Provide a brief overview of the project, including overall goals and objectives, key strategies, expected results, and intended beneficiaries.
- b. Specify the geographic location(s) of the proposal and/or countries addressed.

II. Proposal's compliance with UN Action's Strategic Framework

- a. What pillar does the proposal fall under? (support to UN system action at country level, advocacy, or knowledge-building)
- b. Explain how the proposal enhances UN system coordination and joint programming.
- c. Explain how the UN, governmental organizations, NGOs, and other key stakeholders will be engaged throughout implementation of the proposal.
- d. Explain how the proposal would strengthen the capacity of national institutions to deal with conflict-related sexual violence.

III. Success criteria and means of evaluating results

- a. Explain how the Participating UN Organisation(s) submitting the proposal have the institutional capacity to successfully achieve the proposed objectives.
- b. Describe the overall management structure of this project.
- c. Explain how the proposal will be monitored and evaluated.

IV. Budget

a. Describe other attempts to apply for funding for this particular proposal.

Narrative Summary

V. Overview

The overall goal of this project is to enhance access to formal justice for survivors of sexual violence in Somaliland.

The project will pilot a global tool for medico-legal examinations developed jointly by UNODC and WHO. This will include adjusting the tool to local circumstances in Somaliland, taking into consideration particular medical concerns arising from the near-total use of female genital cutting (FGC/M), as well as the limited availability of forensic laboratory capacity in Somaliland. The tool includes elements on technical skills and coordination guidelines. The project will provide training to all relevant actors connected with the Baahikoob Centers (health providers, police, prosecutors, judges and legal aid providers) on medico-legal examination as it relates specifically to their respective functions within the criminal justice chain. The project will further provide joint trainings to all actors on coordination and understanding of the role of each actor within the system to enhance effective case flow through the criminal justice system for cases of sexual violence.

Trainings will take place in Hargeisa, the capitol of Somaliland with participation of staff from the Baahikoob Centers in Hargeisa, and in Burao or Boroma with participation of staff from the Baahikoob Centers in these locations. The Baahikoob Center in Hargeisa has existed for about 6 years, whereas the two centers in regional towns were only established recently. Providing training in both urban and rural settings as well as in centers with different length of experience will allow for testing the tool's adaptability to varying conditions. Policy-level interaction with government agencies will take place in Hargeisa.

VI. Proposal's compliance with UN Action's Strategic Framework

a. What pillar does the proposal fall under?

This project will contribute to Knowledge-building by building professional knowledge and technical skills among key actors in the criminal justice chain on how to collect and treat medico-legal evidence to facilitate legal redress for sexual violence. The trainings will be based on a global tool developed jointly by UNODC and WHO on medico-legal examination of SGBV survivors. This tool will be adjusted to local circumstances and developed into a training manual, which will be published as an addition to the Somaliland Criminal Justice Compendium developed by UNODC in 2013-2015.

Sexual violence is widespread in Somaliland, but formal justice responses are inadequate due to insufficient financial and human resources, inadequate coordination between actors and lack of training opportunities for professionals within the criminal justice chain.

b. Explain how the proposal enhances UN system coordination and joint programming.

The proposed action is a pilot of a global tool developed jointly by UNODC and WHO on medico-legal examination of SGBV survivors. While UNODC will take the lead on implementing the pilot in Somaliland, close coordination will be sought with WHO's staff in the country.

In addition, the main national counterpart for the proposed activities will be the Baahikoob (One-Stop) Centers in Hargeisa, Boroma and Burao. These centers were originally established under the UNDP Somalia Access to Justice Programme in 2006-2009 and have since received support from UNDP,

UNICEF, UN Women and UNFPA on various other aspects of their work (not overlapping with the trainings proposed in this project proposal). As such, the proposed interventions give continuity to and deepen the impact of interventions undertaken by other agencies. The project will seek close coordination with all relevant agencies bilaterally and under the supervision of the Global Focal Point for Police, Justice and Corrections in its presence through the UN Joint Rule of Law Programme for Somalia.

c. Explain how the UN, governmental organizations, NGOs, and other key stakeholders will be engaged throughout implementation of the proposal.

The Baahikoob Centers are government entities that bring together actors from police, Ministry of Justice, Ministry of Health (Hargeisa Hospital) and Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs, as well as Legal Aid services supplied by NGOs. The trainings proposed under this project will target practitioners dealing with medico-legal response to sexual violence, however, the project will also engage with management at a policy level in all relevant government agencies to ensure ownership for the work tools and formats developed through this project.

Coordination will be undertaken with other UN agencies supporting the Baahikoob Centers to ensure synergy and suitable sequencing with other trainings and capacity development efforts.

d. Explain how the proposal would strengthen the capacity of national institutions to deal with war-related sexual violence.

Somaliland seceded unilaterally from Somalia in 1991 and apart from an intense civil war in 1991-1993 Somaliland has been able to maintain a relatively peaceful co-existence between its formerly warring tribes, except in the contested Sool and Sanag regions where violent conflict still ensues with neighbouring Puntland. However, underlying tribal tensions still exist in the country. Sexual violence continues to be wide-spread and tribal dynamics are often employed to perpetuate impunity for such crimes. According to an October 2014 legal aid report, 32% of GBV cases in Somaliland are still resolved in the customary justice system, despite a 2008 Declaration of Elders pledging to refer all GBV cases to the formal justice system. Additionally, in 2013, only 17% of reported rapes in the capitol Hargeisa resulted in a conviction, and many more are not reported in the first place. This is partly due to the lack of technical skill among key actors in the criminal justice chain to deal with sexual violence in an adequate manner, and resulting distrust from the population in the effectiveness of formal justice responses.

In this context, it is expected that increasing professional knowledge and technical skill in medico-legal examinations at the first step of the criminal justice chain, as well as improving mutual understanding and coordination across the criminal justice chain, will contribute to strengthening the national institutions capacity to provide legal redress for sexual violence.

The project will pilot a global tool for medico-legal examinations developed jointly by UNODC and WHO. This will include adjusting the tool to local circumstances in Somaliland, taking into consideration particular medical concerns arising from the neat-total use of female genital cutting, as well as the forensic capacity given the absence of forensic laboratories and possibilities for DNA-testing in Somaliland. The tool includes elements on technical skills and coordination guidelines. The project will provide training to all relevant actors connected with the Baahikoob Centers (health providers, police, prosecutors, judges and legal aid providers) on medico-legal examination as it relates specifically to their respective functions within the criminal justice chain. The project will further provide joint trainings to all actors on coordination and understanding of the role of each actor within the system to enhance effective case flow through the criminal justice system for cases of sexual violence.

VII. Success criteria and means of evaluating results

a. Explain how the Participating UN Organisation(s) submitting the proposal has the institutional capacity to successfully achieve the proposed objectives.

UNODC Regional Office in East Africa (ROEA) is situated in Nairobi, Kenya with a sub-office in Hargeisa, Somaliland. This project will fall under the ROEA Sub-Programme IV: Justice. At the regional level, this programme has a programme manager and a Programme Officer/Associate Expert who will be responsible for the coordination and implementation of the programme respectively. In addition, UNODC ROEA has a sub-office in Hargeisa, Somaliland which will support implementation with practical and logistical support on the ground.

b. Describe the overall management structure of this project.

The Programme will be implemented by the UNODC Regional Office in East Africa (ROEA) partly through the UNODC sub-office in Hargeisa. The strategic and day-to-day management and reporting to donors of the programme will be undertaken by a UNODC Associate Expert for Justice, under the supervision of the Head of the Criminal Justice Programme, and in cooperation with expert advisors. UNODC will work closely with national implementing partners to design, develop and deliver the implementation plans for the programme.

c. Explain how the proposal will be monitored and evaluated.

Procedures for programme management will be applied under the framework of UNODC results-based management, adopted by the Office to ensure effective delivery of technical assistance. By tracking progress against well-defined and measurable indicators of achievement UNODC will ensure that lessons are learnt as implementation progresses and that corrective learning loops are built in to the process. The Office will also provide a half term narrative and financial progress report after 5 months and a final narrative and financial report upon completion of the project term.

Part C. Initial Review of Proposal (To be completed by the UN Action Secretariat)		
(a) Is the project explicitly linked to the UN Action Strategic Framework?	Yes No 🗌	
(b) Is the project effective, coherent, and cost-efficient?	Yes 🛛 No 🗌	
(c) Does it avoid duplication and significant overlap with the activities of other UN system entities?	Yes No 🗌	
(d) Does it build on existing capacities, strengths and experience?	Yes 🛛 No 🗌	
(e) Does it promote consultation, participation and partnerships and agree with the existing country coordination mechanism?	Yes No 🗌	
(f) Is the Project Proposal Submission Form fully completed?	Yes 🛛 No 🗌	
(g) Is the Budget in compliance with the standard format?	Yes 🛛 No 🗌	

(h) Is the indirect support cost within the approved rate?	Yes 🛛 No 🗌		
Part D: Decision of the Resource Management Committee (to be completed by the RMC Chairperson)			
5. Decision of the Resource Management Committee Approved for a total budget of US\$150,712 Approved with modification/condition Deferred/returned with comments for further consideration Rejected Comments/Justification:			
Chairperson of the Resource Management Committee			
Name (Printed)			
Signature Date			
Part E: Administrative Agent Review			
(To be completed by the UNDP MPTF Office)			
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(Note: Please attach to the Project Proposal Submission Form)

Participating UN Organization	n(s): UNODC/WHO	Focal Point of Partic receiving funds: Name:	cipating UN Organization
Project Number: UNA041		Project Duration: Estimated Start Dat	te:
Project Title:		Project Location(s):	
Total Project Cost: US \$ MPTF: US \$			
Other: US \$			
GRAND TOTAL: US \$			
Total Amount Approved: US S	5		
Focal Point of Participating UN Organization receiving funds: RMC Chairperson:	Name/Title	Date	Signature

MULTI-PARTNER TRUST FUND FOR UN ACTION AGAINST SEXUAL VIOLENCE IN CONFLICT PROGRAMME BUDGET FORM

PROGRAMME BUDGET		
CATEGORY	AMOUNT US \$	
1. Staff and other personnel costs	74,690	
2. Supplies, Commodities, Materials	17,500	
3. Equipment, Vehicles and Furniture including Depreciation	0	
4. Contractual Services	7,600	
5. Travel	31,848	
6. Transfers and Grants Counterparts	0	
7. General Operating and Other Direct Costs	9,215	
Total Programme Costs	140,853	
Indirect Support Costs (cannot exceed 7%)	9,860	
TOTAL	150,712	

Budget Narrative:

Staff and other personnel costs cover an international consultant for 5 months, a national consultant for 4 months, and a national project officer for 3 months. Project oversight by UNODC international staff will be covered through existing resources in the office.

Supplies and contractual services cover venue and materials for trainings in Hargeisa and Boroma/Burao.

Travel costs cover international travel for international consultant and UNODC staff based in Nairobi, as well as local travel for participants attending the trainings outside their own town.

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