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MISSION REPORT SUMMARY

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1. Approved Mission Itinerary: Luanda-Huila-Namibe-Huila-Cunene-Huila-Luanda		2. List of Annexes: 1. N/A	
3. (From) Inclusive Travel Dates (To) 13/11/2019 to 21/11/2019	4. Key Counterpart (s) in Each Location: <u>1st Steering committee meeting of EU-financed FRESAN project:</u> Members of Steering Committee (State Secretary of Agriculture; EU Ambassador and Danilo Barbero; Camoes I.P. Vice President and his team; 3 vice governors of Cunene, Huila (rep) and Namibe; FAO; national representatives from INAMET, MINEA, MINSAs, Civil Protection (absent) etc. <u>Launching the UNDP Component in FRESAN project:</u> Lubango, Huila: 1. Danilo Barbero, EUD Angola in Lubango, Huila 2. Dra Domingas, Agriculture Provincial Director, on behalf of Dra. Maria Joao Chipalavela, VG of the provincial government of Huila 3. Comandante Pinto, SPCB Huila 4. CPPC members, academia, CSOs, private sector, FAO, UNICEF, Camoes, Namibe, Namibe: 5. Cmt. Horacio, 2 nd Commander for Civil Protection, and Dra Teresa Epako, SPCB hqs in Luanda. 6. Dra. Josefa Joana Rebeca Cangombe, Vice Governadora para o Sector Político, Social e Económico 7. Cmt. Abel, SPCB Namibe 8. CPPC members, CSOs, private sector, FAO, UNICEF, Camoes, etc Ondjiva, Cunene: 9. Cmt. Horacio, 2 nd Commander for Civil Protection, and Dra Teresa Epako, SPCB hqs in Luanda 10. Dr. Édio Gentil Sambwaco José, Vice Governador para os Serviços Técnicos e Infraestrutura 11. Cmt. Catraio, SPBC Cunene 12. CPPC members, CSOs, private sector, UN agencies, FAO, UNICEF etc		
5. Purpose/Objectives of Mission: 1) To participate in the 1 st Steering Committee Meeting of the EU-Financed FRESAN project held in Lubango, Huila on 14 November. 2) To participate in the meetings to launch the UNDP component of the FRESAN project in Huila, Namibe and Cunene on 15, 18 and 20 November 2019.			

6. Brief Summary of Mission Outcomes:

1st Steering committee meeting of EU-financed FRESAN project:

1. Rules and regulation of the Steering Committee Meeting or (CDA) were agreed by all the participants. The level of the participants is at the state-secretary and provincial VG level and they are provided with rights to vote. Camoes IP and UNs (FAO and UNDP) participate in the meetings as observers.
2. Next meeting will be held in Namibe provincial government in week of 13-19 May 2020.
3. Also agreed by participants is the revised content of Camoes IP component of the FRESAN project, which will be further discussed between Camoes IP and EU for the finalization of the revised DoA on 16 December 2019 for subsequent submission to EU hqs.
4. Following a CDA meeting, Camoes IP, FAO and UNDP held a technical coordination meeting and agreed on measures to improve coordination between the respective components, i.e. information sharing, meeting etc at provincial level.

Meetings to launch the UNDP component of the FRESAN project in Huila, Namibe and Cunene:

1. Launching events in the three provinces were organized successfully involving all the relevant actors, coordinated by the chairs of CPPC, in the areas of DRM and Civil Protection, while ensuring very good media visibility with the support of the UNDP RBM and Communication team in Luanda. During the Huila launching, EU's Danilo highlighted that this DRM support under FRESAN is a first step of EU support, which could be upscaled in the next National Indicative Programme / EDF if the results delivered by UNDP under FRESAN proves to be positive.
2. The launching events not only effectively briefed the stakeholders about the UNDP component in the FRESAN project in depth, but also already started further sensitizing them about horizontal and vertical DRM coordination and the importance of mainstreaming DRR into provincial and local development planning and budgeting, building upon the work done by the project team between August and November 2019 in the respective provinces in this regard. Visits to the civil protection offices raised heightened awareness about the poor conditions of the DRM staffs in Huila and Namibe in particular, prompting for integrating DRM needs into the 2020 provincial and/or national budgets. During the visits, we noted that Namibe received from Casa Civil a total 570 units of "motors" with 1,000-liter tank on each to transport and distribute water to remote areas as drought response measures. Cunene and Huila also received them (but # TBC). But we questioned CPPC members if they have duly budgeted costs of fuel and maintenance to continue utilizing those into 2020, altering the critical planning and budgeting of DRM measures by March 2020.
3. In Huila, SPCB building needs major construction work, while SPCB Namibe needs resources to complete circa 20 % of the total building that was supported by the previous national PIP before DRM staffs to move in. VG in Namibe requested Cmt Horacio to ensure this need is looked at the national level, including inclusion of the case in the future national PIP. At both locations, small quick investment is needed to create decent conditions at the Operations Rooms for UNDP FRESAN team to enter and further develop its functioning capacities next four years under the project, i.e. risk information management. This matter was discussed with Cmt Horacio along with Cmt Pinto and Abel for further discussion with the Minister of Interior to find solutions. Also briefed Cmt Horacio that EU's Danilo had suggested to write to the Minister to request for support on this cc to EU. UNDP continues consulting with Cmt Horacio on possible solutions, especially quick investment (\$10,000 for materials to be used by construction brigade) to provide decent conditions to the operations rooms in Huila. (Namibe needs 2 rooms to be prepared for operations room. Costs of materials has yet to be determined by SPCB in Namibe.)

7. Key recommendations /Actions to be Taken:

1. SPCB and UNDP engage with MINFIN at technical and management levels on mainstreaming DRM into national and provincial planning and budgeting at annual basis, i.e. preparedness, DRF, and OGE review in terms of DRR with the support of UNDRR.
2. Joao Neves, Project Manager of UNDP FRESAN, will visit the three provinces to introduce "Action Plan for Coordination and Information Management" for necessary updating and immediate application to re-activate regular meetings of CPPC in each province. Action Plans were prepared by the respective CPPCs in Cunene and Huila with the support of UNDP and SPCB in 2014 after the 2013/14 droughts.
3. Check with SPCB hqs in Luanda of feasibility to finance \$10,000 for purchase of construction materials to be used by their construction brigade to provide a decent basic condition in the Operations Room in SPCB Huila.
4. Enhance admin and finance support from UNDP Luanda to UNDP FRESAN team at the three provinces; discussion with Governance Specialist, Programme Associate and interns attached to Governance team in Luanda, as well as Operations Unit i.e. procurement. Employment of an intern at the provincial level is to be considered, including how to finance circa \$ 12,000 per year for an intern following the new regulation issued by BMS/OHR.
5. Joao will attend the workshop organized by the CIMA and SPCB on the "probabilistic risk profiles on droughts and floods" and "online platform for risk info sharing for drought and flood EWS" on 16-18 December at Tropico hotel to prepare for the development of TOR for the updating of the National Plan for Preparedness, Contingency, Response and Recovery and the National Strategy for Prevention and DRR in 2020, as well as to prepare for advancing Output 2 of UNDP FRESAN Project covering Risk Info Management and EWS building upon the results delivered by the CIMA/UNDRR support to CNPC in Angola till January 2020.
6. Joao will brief CNPC in Luanda about the UNDP Component of the FRESAN project as the project includes activities to be implemented in close collaboration with CNPC and SPCB at the national level.
7. Follow up on the 3rd round of vacancy announcement for Info Management Specialist, IUNV, in coordination with UNV Bonn.

	8. Distribution:
9. Proposed Debriefing Date: N/A	Participation in Briefing: N/A

Visibility and Communication:

- Lançamento da Componente do PNUD no FRESAN que apoia as províncias afectadas pela seca no Sul de Angola

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