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Proposed actions to be implemented by BONELA

The proposed actions to be implemented include the following:

1. Work with UNDP to establish a Technical Working Group to address issues related to Lesbian, Gay, Bi-sexual, Trans-gender and Inter-sex, (LGBTI) populations.
2. Work with UNDP to procure a consultant who will conduct an assessment of the legal, cultural, social and economics rights of Lesbian, Gay, Bi-sexual, Trans-gender and Inter-sex, (LGBTI) populations.
3. Coordinate with UNDP to work with the consultant to conduct a national roundtable meeting as part of the assessment.
4. Oversee the finalization of the report. The report is expected to include:
  - a) the assessment findings;
  - b) recommendations;
  - c) a three year plan of action based on the assessment findings and recommendations.

UNDP will pay for the costs associated with the above actions but not exceeding US\$32,000.

We thank you again for this opportunity to collaborate with your organization on this actions.

Yours sincerely,

Jacinta Barrins  
UNDP Resident Representative

Ms. Cindy Kelemi  
Director  
BONELA  
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Dear Ms. Kelemi,

**Request for BONELA to assist UNDP to carry out activities related to Lesbian, Gay, Bi-sexual, Trans-gender and Inter-sex, (LGBTI) populations.**

We thank you for agreeing to work with UNDP to carry out activities related to Lesbian, Gay, Bi-sexual, Trans-gender and Inter-sex, (LGBTI) populations. The information regarding the actions are set out below.

The United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) and the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR) are facilitating the implementation of an 18 month project for Africa, with specific country-level focus in Botswana, South Africa, Senegal, Tanzania, Zambia, Uganda, Nigeria and Cameroon as well as regional activities. It was noted that the project countries were selected based on the situation relating to sexual orientation, gender identity and rights, interest by the countries.

Project Objectives

The project will contribute to the reduction of human rights violations, inequalities and exclusion experienced by people of diverse sexual orientation and gender identity (SOGI). The project also aims to strengthen the evidence, develop advocacy capacity and public information materials, and convene regional and national dialogues that bring together national decision makers from the executive, legislative and judiciary branches of government with civil society organizations, their allies and other stakeholders.

The project draws on UNDP's work on human rights in Africa in the context of HIV and experiences in designing and implementing a similar groundbreaking regional initiative. The project also draws on OHCHR's experiences of combating homophobia and transphobia at a country level in Africa and in other regions.

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