

New York, 2 March 2018

Dear Consuelo,

RE: No-Cost Extension of SDG Fund Joint Programme, “Fortalecimiento de la resiliencia de familias y grupos vulnerables afectados por la sequía en Santiago de Cuba”

I am writing to you with regards to your letter of 24 January 2018, requesting a no-cost extension of the abovementioned joint programme for four months until 30 June 2018.

The joint programme, “Fortalecimiento de la resiliencia de familias y grupos vulnerables afectados por la sequía en Santiago de Cuba” was to operationally close on 28 February 2018. The extenuating circumstances cited in your abovementioned letter and its enclosures, in particular, the procurement related delays, the need to validate management protocols in decision making processes and the systematization and validation of results are duly noted. In considering the request for the no-cost extension and recognizing that the programme is on target and there are otherwise no substantive changes to programme outcomes, outputs, indicators or targets; the Steering Committee approves the no-cost extension until 30 June 2018, asking that the joint programme to kindly:


- Give further clarification for the need to finalise the management protocols
- Ensure that the evaluation be completed by 31 August 2018

In this regard, a project or programme is considered operationally closed when all programmatic activities for which participating UN organizations received funding have been completed.

I take the opportunity here to thank you, as Resident Coordinator, for your continued support and oversight of the joint programme and to all our colleagues for the results achieved to date.

If there are any further queries in this regard, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Yours sincerely,



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