## Dear Sir,

- 1. Reference is made to consultations between officials of the Government of Kuwait (hereinafter referred to as "the Government") and officials of UNDP with respect to the provision of support services by the UNDP country office for nationally managed programmes and projects. UNDP and the Government hereby agree that the UNDP country office may provide such support services at the request of the Government through its institution designated in the relevant programme support document or project document, as described below.
- 2. The UNDP country office may provide support services for assistance with reporting requirements and direct payment. In providing such support services, the UNDP country office shall ensure that the capacity of the Government-designated institution is strengthened to enable it to carry out such activities directly. The costs incurred by the UNDP country office in providing such support services shall be recovered from the administrative budget of the office.
- 3. The UNDP country office may provide, at the request of the designated institution, the following support services for the activities of the programme/project:
- (a) Identification and/or recruitment of project and programme personnel;
- (b) Identification and facilitation of training activities;
- (c) Procurement of goods and services;
- 4. The procurement of goods and services and the recruitment of project and programme personnel by the UNDP country office shall be in accordance with the UNDP regulations, rules, policies and procedures. Support services described in paragraph 3 above shall be detailed in an annex to the programme support document or project document, in the form provided in the Attachment hereto. If the requirements for support services by the country office change during the life of a programme or project, the annex to the programme support document or project document is revised with the mutual agreement of the UNDP resident representative and the designated institution.
- 5. The relevant provisions of the Revised Standard Agreement (RBA), signed on 13 February 1962, including the provisions on liability and privileges and immunities, shall apply to the provision of such support services. The Government shall retain overall responsibility for the nationally managed programme or project through its designated institution. The responsibility of the UNDP country office for the provision of the support services described herein shall be limited to the provision of such support services detailed in the annex to the programme support document or project document.
- 6. Any claim or dispute arising under or in connection with the provision of support services by the UNDP country office in accordance with this letter shall be handled pursuant to the relevant provisions of the RBA.
- 7. The manner and method of cost-recovery by the UNDP country office in providing the support services described in paragraph 3 above shall be specified in the annex to the programme support document or project document.
- 8. The UNDP country office shall submit progress reports on the support services provided and shall report on the costs reimbursed in providing such services, as may be required.

- Any modification of the present arrangements shall be effected by mutual written agreement of the parties hereto.
- If you are in agreement with the provisions set forth above, please sign and return to this office two 10. signed copies of this letter. Upon your signature, this letter shall constitute an agreement between your Government and UNDP on the terms and conditions for the provision of support services by the UNDP country office for nationally managed programmes and projects.

Yours sincerely,

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Dr. Adam Abdelmoula

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For the Government

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General Secretariat of the Supreme Council for Planning and Development

## Attachment

## **DESCRIPTION OF UNDP COUNTRY OFFICE SUPPORT SERVICES**

- 1. Reference is made to consultations between the General Secretariat of the Supreme Council for Planning and Development, the institution designated by the Government of Kuwait and officials of UNDP with respect to the provision of support services by the UNDP country office for the nationally managed project "Support the capacity development of the General Secretariat of the Supreme Council for Planning and Development to direct the strategic planning priorities of the state of Kuwait", "the Project"
- 2. In accordance with the provisions of the letter of agreement signed on and the "Support the capacity development of the General Secretariat of the Supreme Council for Planning and Development to direct the strategic planning priorities of the state of Kuwait", the UNDP country office shall provide support services for the Project as described below.

3. Support services to be provided:

Support services	Schedule for the	Cost to UNDP of	Amount and method of
Support services	provision of the support	providing such support	reimbursement of UNDP
	services	services	
1. Identification	As determined in the	As determined in the	The Annual Work Plan
and recruitment of	project Annual Work	project Annual Work	budget includes 3% Facilities
project personnel	Plan	Plan	and Administration to UNDP
1 3 1			defined as General
			Management Support (GMS).
2. Identification	As determined in the	As determined in the	The Annual Work Plan
and facilitation of	project Annual Work	project Annual Work	budget includes 3% Facilities
training activities	Plan	Plan	and Administration to UNDP
			defined as General
			Management Support (GMS).
3. Procurement of	As determined in the	As determined in the	The Annual Work Plan
goods and	project Annual Work	project Annual Work	budget includes 3% Facilities
services	Plan	Plan	and Administration to UNDP
			defined as General
			Management Support (GMS).

4. Description of functions and responsibilities of the parties involved:

The project will be supervised by the GSSCPD who will act as the implementing partner and will coordinate the activities of external entities and other stakeholders in the government. UNDP will serve as a responsible party.