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Dear Mr. Hiemstra,

I am pleased to inform you that the UNDP Drylands Development Centre is ready to channel its support within the framework of the project "Emergency assistance for the restoration and stabilization of livelihoods for people affected by the crisis in Syria". This support consists of financial and technical assistance as follows:

- A re-allocation of the financial contribution originally earmarked to the project "Integrated Community Development for Up-scaling the MDGs" (SYR/09/007). This contribution currently amounts to \$196,000, of which \$96,000 has already been transferred to UNDP-Syria while the remaining \$100,000 is available for transfer now.
- This funding will come in support of Output 3, Activity 3.1: "Livelihood support offered to women headed households" mainly in terms of emergency jobs in the recovery process, tailored vocational training and start-up grants/kits for income generating activities.
- Technical assistance in the form of advice and desktop support from our Beirut-based team to support the design and delivery of the intended activities

This contribution is funded by the Government of Finland which needs to be acknowledged as a partner to the project. A report on the use of these funds including activities implemented, beneficiaries and intended livelihoods results should be submitted to DDC.

I look forward to our cooperation and to the successful implementation of the project.

Sincerely yours,

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