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Subject: Action 2 Pilot Project

Dear Mr. Charpentier,

On behalf of the Action 2 Interagency Task Force, it is my pleasure to inform you that funding for the Burkina Faso project under the Action 2 Global Programme has been approved in the amount of \$100,000, on the basis of the proposal dated August 2005 and the clarifications submitted on 18 April 2006.

Accordingly, I have requested UNDP as the Administrative Agent of the Programme to take the necessary action to effect the fund transfer, in line with the UNDG Guidance Note on Joint Programming and using the "pass-through" modality. In this connection, please note the following:

- 1. Reporting The Resident Coordinator has overall responsibility for ensuring and reporting on the achievement of expected results under the pilot project. The submission of a report on the start-up of the project is expected at your earliest convenience, as is a final report after the completion of the project. A template for the final report will be provided in due course. If possible, disbursements under the project should be finalised before 31 December, 2006. If that proves impossible, because of the late start of the project, a request to roll-over the funds remaining at the end of the year should be made before 31 December, 2006, when information should also be provided on the date when all disbursements will be completed.
- 2. <u>Human Rights adviser -</u> As the deployment of a human rights adviser is proposed in your pilot project, consultations will need to take place between your country team and OHCHR in order to agree on the detailed terms of reference and other arrangements for deployment, as OHCHR has the global responsibility for guiding and overseeing the work of human rights advisers to the Resident Coordinator's office and the country team.

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Mr. George Charpentier, UN Resident Coordinator, Burkina Faso

- 3. <u>Knowledge sharing -</u> One of the purposes of the piloting initiatives is to learn from actual experience of UN country teams in implementing Action 2 at country level. It is therefore expected that participating UN country teams will contribute to knowledge/experience sharing activities among country teams and with the Action 2 Task Force, as may be organized by the Coordinator of the Action 2 Global Programme.
- 4. Accessing of funds To access the funds, your office should as soon as possible communicate the Atlas number of the project to Mr. Kassa Thomas, BDP, UNDP, at <a href="mailto:kassa.thomas@undp.org">kassa.thomas@undp.org</a>. A copy of the minutes of the country team meeting approving the project (the LPAC) should also be submitted to Mr. Kassa with a copy to the Action 2 Coordinator.

The Action 2 Coordinator and the Task Force remain at your disposal for further information, advice and support. Communications may be directed to Mr. Enzo Di Taranto, the Coordinator (<u>ditaranto@un.org</u>), and to Mr. Rio Hada on matters specifically related to human rights advisors (<u>rhada@ohchr.org</u>) or to myself as Chairman (<u>mokhiber@un.org</u>).

We look forward to the timely and full implementation of the project as articulated in the finalized project document, and to the learning to be yielded by these activities, with a view to enhancing UNCT capacity and the ultimate strengthening of the national human rights protection system in the country.

Yours sincerely,

Craig Mokhiber Chairman,

Action 2 Task Force