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*Dear Denise*

Dear Ms. Brown,

Thank you for submitting the project proposal “*Appui à la coordination et au suivi des projets du Fonds pour la consolidation de la paix en République centrafricaine*” to the Secretary-General’s Peacebuilding Fund (PBF). I am pleased to inform you that the Peacebuilding Support Office, following the review by the Peacebuilding Project Review Group and the recommendation of the Project Appraisal Committee, has approved the project under the PBF’s Peacebuilding & Recovery Facility (PRF) with a total budget of \$ 1,250,532.54 implemented by UNDP for 24 months.

The project aims to support the functioning of the PBF Secretariat to ensure the coordination, monitoring and evaluation of projects in the Central African Republic and to strengthen the strategic coordination framework of the PBF’s portfolio. The unit was set up to ensure complementarity of PBF-funded interventions and to provide technical support to the recipient entities to maximize the impact of the PBF on peacebuilding in country.

As per the PBF Guidelines, PBF project funds will be disbursed by the Multi-Partner Trust Fund Office in two instalments. The first tranche representing 70% of the project budget and the second 30%. The second tranche will be transferred following a demonstrated project financial implementation rate of at least 75% of the first tranche and the submission of any PBF reports required during that period. The payment of the second tranche is also contingent on availability of funds in the PBF. Prior to the disbursement of funds, we also expect agencies implementing PBF projects to undertake all steps to financially close any old PBF projects in a timely manner.

We count on the team to ensure the timely implementation and conclusion of the project and encourage them to apply any lessons learnt from previous implementation experiences and best practices from existing PBF support projects.

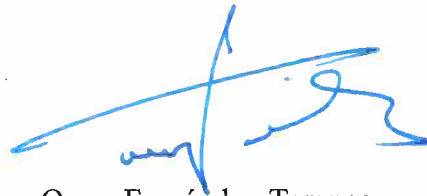
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As you are aware, monitoring and reporting on peacebuilding impact is a core responsibility of the Fund's mandate. This includes: a) ensuring timely submission of the PBF project progress report due annually on 15 June and 15 November and a PBF end-of-project report; b) ensuring robust monitoring of project progress, risks and results and advising PBSO if project amendments are required or if obstacles arise that may impact project outcomes; and c) managing a high-quality independent evaluation, engaging PBSO in the evaluation process.

Please note that all entities receiving an allocation from the PBF are obligated to ensure the visibility of the Fund. This should include both the identification of success stories within routine reporting as well as through the recipient United Nations organization's strategic communications products.

I look forward to our partnership to support peacebuilding in the Central African Republic.

Yours sincerely,



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