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*Dear Allegra and Stephen*

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Dear Mrs. Baiocchi and Mr. Tull,

Thank you for the joint submission on 20 July of the cross-border project “Soutenir les mécanismes de consolidation de la paix au niveau communautaire et l’inclusion des jeunes dans les zones situées à la frontière entre le Tchad et le Cameroun”. I am pleased to inform you that the Peacebuilding Support Office (PBSO), following the review of the Peacebuilding Contact Group and the recommendation of the Project Appraisal Committee, has approved the project under the PBF’s Immediate Response Facility (IRF) with a budget of \$2,999,567.

This project contributes directly to the UN Security Council Resolution 2349 (2017) on the Lake Chad Basin, the Executive Committee decision (No. 2017/29) on increased UNCT capacity to help align the UN’s collective actions and to identify financial and programmatic support through the UN Strategy in Response to the Boko Haram Crisis. The project “Soutenir les mécanismes de consolidation de la paix au niveau communautaire et l’inclusion des jeunes dans les zones situées à la frontière entre le Tchad et le Cameroun” will promote peace and stability in the targeted cross-border area by addressing the root causes of conflict and violent extremism. (Recipient UN Organisations: UNDP and UNICEF – approved total budget \$2,999,567 broken down as follows UNDP Cameroon: \$767,226 and UNICEF Cameroon: \$732,736. UNDP Chad: \$801,430 and UNICEF Chad: \$698,175).

PBSO has requested the Multi-Partner Trust Fund Office to facilitate the transfer of funds in two tranches to the recipient organizations and project to support a rapid launch of the project for a duration of 18 months. The funds will be disbursed in two instalments due to the level of risks associated with the project. PBSO will authorise an initial transfer amounting to 70% of the requested budget. Upon timely submission and acceptance of the project reports and at least 80%

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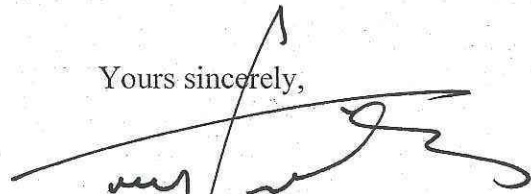
expenditure of the first transfer budget, the Fund will release a second tranche of 30%. Please note that all subsequent tranches are contingent on the availability of resources in the Peacebuilding Fund.

As you are aware, monitoring and reporting on peacebuilding impact is a core responsibility of the Fund's mandate. For projects approved under the IRF, I rely on you and your offices to undertake the following responsibilities on my behalf: a) Ensure timely submission of the semi-annual project reports from each recipient United Nations organisation to the MPTFO, copied to PBSO; b) monitor projects progress and results, in line with the project results framework, and advise PBSO in a timely fashion if and when projects amendments are required; and c) ensure timely submission of the end-of projects reports within three months of the activity completion. Please note that the templates for all the reporting obligations can be found on the PBF website: <http://www.unpbf.org/application-guidelines/annex/>.

In addition to the above requirements, all entities receiving an allocation from the Peacebuilding Fund 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 UN organisation's strategic communications products. I hope our teams can jointly work to enhance the visibility and communication around these projects to attract additional technical and financial support from partners.

I look forward to working with you on this important peacebuilding and sustaining peace endeavour in Chad and Cameroon.

Yours sincerely,



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