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24 October 2018

Dear Mr. Bruno Pouezat,

**Subject: New Programme End Date for ACP-EU Development Minerals Programme;
ATLAS Project No.: 00075375 - Output No.: 00099852**

I am writing with reference to the project “Capacity development of mineral institutions and of small-scale private sector operating in low-value minerals in ACP countries” (No. 00075375). Also known as the “ACP-EU Minerals Development Programme,” the project is an initiative of the African, Caribbean and Pacific Group of States, financed by the European Union and United Nations Development Programme, and implemented by UNDP.

On December 16, 2015 the Jamaica Country Office was informed of its successful selection as a focus country under the programme. Funding of EUR 750,000 (inclusive of GMS) was allocated for programme activities in Jamaica. A Delegation of Authority for the Jamaica Country Office was signed by Nik Sekhran on the 1st of April 2016 to manage the allocated contribution, on behalf of UNDP (please refer to attached signed letter).

The programme implementation activities in Jamaica are delivered according to the Contribution Agreement between UNDP and the European Union (Contribution Agreement FED/2014/346-851). The end date of the original agreement was until 22nd of October 2017. A no-cost extension was signed with a new agreement end date of October 31, 2018. A second no-cost extension was recently agreed to by the European Commission until 27th of February 2019 (please refer to attached signed agreement). This letter therefore serves as a Delegation of Authority for the Jamaica Country Office to manage the allocated contribution on behalf of UNDP to the new project end date of 27th of February 2019.

Mr. Bruno Pouezat
UN Resident Coordinator
UNDP Resident Representative
Jamaica



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Please note that all programme activities and expenditure will need to be completed within this timeframe as no further programme extension is foreseen by the European Commission. The funding allocation for the implementation of the related activities will be channeled through Output No. 00099852.

Please note that UNDP-BPPS is not in a position to increase the project budget above the amount already approved. Therefore, any over-expenditure on this project would have to be absorbed by other Country Office resources.

We take the opportunity to draw your attention to the following mandatory requirements for all BPPS projects:

- Any changes contemplated with respect to the project objectives and outcomes, and related budget revisions will have to be discussed and approved by ACP-EU Development Minerals Programme Management Team. In this regards, please forward any modifications to Degol Hailu (degol.hailu@undp.org) with copy to Asan Amza (asan.amza@undp.org).
- All projects will be audited in accordance with UNDP Financial Regulations and Rules and Audit policies. UNDP-BPPS reserves the right to withhold fee payments and to suspend the project if this requirement is not met in a timely fashion.

In conclusion, I would like to assure you of the UNDP-BPPS Team's and my personal commitment to successful implementation of the project. We look forward to continue to collaborate with your office and thank you for your support.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Adriana Dinu', is written over a horizontal line.

Adriana Dinu

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