

Note for File, Call with UN Women, UNDP, Iraq

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Participants:

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UN Action Secretariat: Marianne Bauer,
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Agenda:

1. **Discussion of your Annual project report**
 - a. Review of overall outcomes of projects (please find report and log-frame attached)
 - b. A few questions
2. **Sustainability of outcomes after the end of project** (Project Team)
3. **Other Observations** - Anything you'd like to share in terms of challenges (Project Team)
4. **Next steps** – final reporting requirements, possible story about the project (UN Action)
5. **Ongoing engagement re. addressing CRSV / Implementation of Joint Communique in Iraq** and discussion how UN Women and UNDP are engaged in that. (Emmanuelle, Project Team)

Discussion points:

- The main project outcomes were achieved.
- In terms of **sustainability**, **UNDP** worked with DCVAW in legal centers. There is more funding on DCVAW and support them on awareness raising for refugees, IDPs and host communities.
- Trainings took place this year to build the capacity of DCVAW and for judicial investigators – training for judges (not under rule of law but other programme). Support to DC VAW through training is discussed in an interagency meetings. New funding has been received. UNDP would like to work further on this in Mosul
- **UN Women** was able to find additional funding to keep the one center in Dohuk going. They work closely with the geocide court. UN Women had problems to find funds to keep other legal assistance centers going. Finding additional funding for Dohuk center is key
- UN Women will continue to do programme implementation on CRSV and work closely with Idah.
- **OSRSG SVC** advised that the Implementation plan (IP) of the Joint Communique is there to help going forward and recommended to add UNDP and UN Women as contributing agencies in the implementation plan, highlighting key geographical areas. This can help for mobilizing funding. The IP will be presented on 19 June. GoI will issue a decree in May to establish a steering committee to review progress in the implementation. There are a lot of inquiries from donors on what they can support
- UN Action is funding **project on children born of rape**. It will be important that, whatever UNDP UN Women have been learning and the key people trained will be linked to that. We pushed

that it will be linked not only to GBV subcluster but that it's a UN initiative. UNDP noted that they would like to be part of that initiative.

- On main **challenges**, UN Women mentioned that their implementing partner was overwhelmed and understaffed. More additional resources would be required. When asked about the Center that closed early in 2017, UN Women said there were issues with one NGO – their internal management and budgetary issues. Political challenges were mentioned by UNDP as well.
- Regarding a **story** to capture the project and successes, Geraldine will write one story, highlighting the legal service centers and beneficiaries. She will be in touch directly on this.
- On **next steps**, UN Action will send the final reporting template, to be completed within 4 months of the end of the project. UN Action requested to include additional data of how many beneficiaries received GBV-related services.

Action points:

- UNA to send final reporting template
- Geraldine to reach out to Nishtiman and Ashley regarding the story
- UN Women and UNDP to anchor legal services related provision in the Implementation Plan for the Joint Communique and to explore a collaboration with UNICEF and UNAMI on the project on children born of rape.