## Annex VI: Standard Letter of Agreement for Provision of Support Services

LETTER OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN UNDP AND THE GOVERNMENT OF PAPUA NEW GUINEA FOR PROJECT: STRENGTHENING DISASTER RISK MANAGEMENT IN PAPUA NEW GUINEA

Dear Mr. Martin.

- 1. Reference is made to consultations between officials of the Government of Papua New Guinea (hereinafter referred to as "the Government") and officials of UNDP with respect to the provision of support services by the UNDP country office for above Annual Work Plan (AWP). UNDP and the Government hereby agree that the UNDP country office may provide such support services for the duration of this project at the request of the Government through its institution designated in the relevant project document, as described.
- 2. The UNDP country office may provide support services for assistance with reporting requirements and direct payment. In providing such support services, the UNDP country office shall ensure that the capacity of the Government-designated institution is strengthened to enable it to carry out such activities directly.
- 3. In addition, the UNDP country office may provide, at the request of the designated institution/Implementing Agent, the following support services for implementation activities:
  - (a) Identification and assistance with and/or recruitment of project personnel;

(b) Procurement of goods and services;

- (c) Access to UNDP-managed global information systems, including rosters of consultants and providers of development services
- 4. The procurement of goods and services and the recruitment of project and programme personnel by the UNDP country office shall be in accordance with the UNDP regulations, rules, policies and procedures. If the requirements for support services by the country office change during the life of a programme or project, the annex to the project document is revised with the mutual agreement of the UNDP resident representative and the designated institution.
- 5. The relevant provisions of Article 1 of the SBAA between the Government of Papua New Guinea and UNDP signed on the 7th April 1981 (the "SBAA"), including the provisions on liability and privileges and immunities, shall apply to the provision of such support services. The Government shall retain overall responsibility for the nationally executed project or programme through its designated institution/Implementing Agent.
- 6. Any claim or dispute arising under or in connection with the provision of support services by the UNDP country office in accordance with this letter shall be handled pursuant to the relevant provisions of the SBAA.
- 7. The manner and method of cost-recovery by the UNDP country office in providing the support services described in paragraph 3 above shall be in accordance with UNDP corporate rules and price lists as they apply.
- 8. The UNDP country office shall submit progress reports on the support services provided and shall report on the costs reimbursed in providing such services, as may be required.

- Any modification of the present arrangements shall be effected by mutual written agreement of the parties hereto.
- If you are in agreement with the provisions set forth above, please sign and return to this office two signed copies of this letter. Upon your signature, this letter shall constitute an agreement between your Government and UNDP on the terms and conditions for the provision of support services by the UNDP country office for this project.

Yours sincerely,

Signed on behalf of UNDP

Roy Trivedy

Resident Representative

Signed on behalf of National Disaster Centre

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