

## Project Management Office for



## EU Border Management Northern Afghanistan

## PROJECT BOARD MEETING

13 July 2012

Points from BOMNAF meeting with the European Union, the Afghan Border Police and UNDP Kabul during the project staff's travel to Kabul from 05 to 12 July 2012

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During the BOMNAF periodic administration and liaison visit to Kabul during 05 to 12 July, the Project Manager met with the project beneficiaries and donors to update on the project progress to date and to discuss future plans and actions, as well as address administrative issues.

Key points of the meeting are as following:

• **Afghan Border Police.** The new Commander of the Afghan Border Police, General Gulnabi Ahmadzai was introduced to the group with brief information on his background and previous experience.

BOMNAF shared information on the progress of its activities and expressed hope for further cooperation with the Afghan Border Police. The new Commander assured the group that further support will be provided wherever necessary.

Selection of students for UNDP-OSCE joint training in Dushanbe, re-confirming locations for BOMNAF infrastructure on the Northern Border, arrangement of passport and visa procedures for ABP student to Tajikistan, etc were discussed in more detail.

- **Delegation of the European Union to Afghanistan.** Hard copy of the latest quarterly report was handed over to Mr Micha Ramakers, EU Delegation Charge d'Affaires.
  - Latest update on EUPOL non-responses to BOMNAF Communications and request for collaboration was specifically brought to the attention of the EU Delegation to seek their advice and support.
  - Representative of the EU Delegation informed the attendees about the EU Borders Assessment Mission which is currently in Afghanistan assessing the BOMNAF Project and asked the BOMNAF team to schedule a meeting with the Assessment Mission while in Kabul
- UNDP Kabul. BOMNAF has shared a Verbal Note to MFA Afghanistan regarding issuing Afghan Multiple Entry Visa for BOMNAF staff in Afghan Embassy in Dushanbe and requested UNDP support to facilitate this. It was confirmed that two BOMNAF staff members, who are currently in Kabul can obtain visas while on the mission in Kabul, while for others it is a longer process to arrange it through the Afghan Embassy in Dushanbe.

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