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Extensions of country programmes Note of the Administrator

Summary

The present note contains information on the extensions of the country programmes for Afghanistan, Angola, Côte d'Ivoire, Guinea-Bissau, Kenya, Madagascar, Mali, Paraguay, South Sudan, Tunisia and Venezuela. Requests for first one-year extensions of country programmes are approved by the Administrator and presented to the Executive Board for information. Requests for second one-year extensions, two-year extensions and exceptional extensions of country programmes are submitted to the Executive Board for approval.

Elements of a decision

The Executive Board may wish to take note of the first one-year extensions of the country programmes for Afghanistan, Angola, Kenya and Venezuela for a period of one year, from 1 January to 31 December 2014, as presented in table 1.

The Executive Board may wish to approve the second one-year extensions of the country programmes for Guinea-Bissau and Mali, from 1 January to 31 December 2014, exceptional third year extensions of the country programmes for Madagascar, Tunisia and Paraguay, from 1 January to 31 December 2014, the two-year extension of the country programme for Côte d'Ivoire, from 1 January 2014 to 31 December 2015, and the two-and-half-years extension of the country programme for South Sudan, from 1 January 2014 to 30 June 2016, as presented in table 2.







Annex

Table 1. For information: Extensions of country programmes approved by the Administrator since January 2013

Country	Original	Year(s)	Reason and explanation						
	CCF/CPD period	proposed for new extension	United Nations harmonization	In-country political development	Implementation and/or other issues				
Afghanistan	2010-2013	2014		The UNCT and the government of the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan agreed to extend the UNDAF for one year to fully align United Nations support with new national priorities as cited in the National Self-Reliance Paper.					
Angola	2009-2013	2014			The UNCT and the government of Angola have agreed to extend the current programme in order to allow for incorporation of new priority areas after the general elections and the adoption of a new Development Plan, 2013 - 2017.				
Kenya	2009-2013	2014			The government of Kenya has agreed with the UNCT to extend its country programme to allow for an UNDAF process alignment with Kenya Vision 2030 and the 2 nd Medium Term Plan after conclusion of general elections.				
Venezuela	2009-2013		The government of Venezuela has agreed with the UNCT to extend the UNDAF/CPD to align with national priorities after presidential elections.						

Table 2. For approval by the Executive Board: Extensions of country programmes

Country	Years covered by original CCF	Year(s) covered by extension already approved	Year(s) proposed for new extension	Extension		Reason and explanation			
				Two and a half years	Two-year	United Nations harmonization	In-country political development	Other	
Côte d'Ivoire	2009-2013	-	-	-	2014 - 2015			The UNCT and the government of Côte d'Ivoire agreed to extend the UNDAF for two years to fully align United Nations support with new national priorities as per the new National Development Plan.	
Guinea- Bissau	2008 - 2012	2013	2014	-	-		The transitional government of Guinea-Bissau has agreed with the UNCT to extend its UNDAF for one year. This will provide sufficient time for the new UNDAF/CPD preparations that consider the changed national priorities after the political transition.		
Madagascar	2008 - 2011	2012 - 2013	2014	-	-		The transitional government of Madagascar has agreed with the UNCT to extend its UNDAF for one year. This will provide sufficient time for the new UNDAF/CPD preparations that consider the changed national priorities after the political transition.		
Mali	2008 - 2011	2013	2014	-	-		The government of Mali has agreed with the UNCT to extend the UNDAF for one year. This will provide sufficient time for the new UNDAF/CPD preparations that consider the changed national priorities based on the Joint Framework in Support of the Transition (Cadre Conjoint d'Appui à la Transition) and further to the political transition.		
Paraguay	2007 - 2011	2012-2013	2014	-	-		The government of Paraguay has agreed with the UNCT to extend the UNDAF/CPD to align with national priorities after the presidential elections.		

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South Sudan	2012 - 2013	-		Jan 2014- June 2016		The government of South Sudan has extended its South Sudan Development Plan to June 2016 and has requested the UNCT to extend the UNDAF/CPD accordingly.		
Tunisia	2007 - 2011	2012 - 2013	2014	-	-		The government of Tunisia and the UNCT have agreed to extend the United Nations Transition Strategy (STT) for another year to allow sufficient time for the new UNDAF/CPD preparations that are aligned with the national priorities emerging after the political transition.	

CCF - country cooperation framework CPD - Country Programme Document ExCom - Executive Committee

UNDAF - United Nations Development Assistance Framework

UNCT - United Nations Country Team