

26 January 2015

H.E. Mr. Mahamoud Ali YOUSSOUF Minister of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation, Republic of Djibouti

Excellency,

I have the honour to refer to previous discussions with regard to the establishment of an Office of the United Nations Office of Project Services (UNOPS) in Djibouti. It is to be recalled that by General Assembly decision 48/501, UNOPS was established as a self-financing independent entity, to provide project implementation and management services to any organization of the United Nations system (including international and regional financial Institutions) or any entity acting through an organization of the United Nations system, any Government, intergovernmental entity, international organization and non-governmental organization. UNOPS services may include, but are not limited to, project implementation and management, procurement, infrastructure/ public works, human resources and financial services.

Furthermore, I have the honour to propose that in order to conduct its activities in Djibouti, UNOPS shall conclude written agreements with partners who request UNOPS' services and shall keep the Government apprised of such activities carried out pursuant to such agreements.

I also have the honour to refer to the Agreement between the United Nations Development Programme ("UNDP") and the Government of Djibouti concluded on 5 October 1979 ("SBAA").

In this connection, I have the honour to propose that the terms of the UNDP SBAA apply, *mutatis mutandis*, to the personnel, activities, property and assets of the UNOPS office in Djibouti.

Moreover, I have the honour to propose that in applying the UNDP SBAA, *mutatis mutandis*, the Government confirms that the treatment afforded to UNOPS shall be equal and the same as afforded to any accredited diplomatic mission or international organization in Djibouti.

Furthermore, the Government shall provide to UNOPS and its personnel, throughout Djibouti, such security as is required for the effective performance of its activities. To this end, the appropriate authorities of Djibouti shall ensure the security and protection of





the premises and personnel, and exercise due diligence to ensure that the tranquillity of the premises is not disturbed by the unauthorized entry of persons or groups of persons from outside or by disturbances in its immediate vicinity.

I propose that upon receipt of your confirmation in writing of the above, this Exchange of Letters shall constitute an Agreement between the United Nations and the Government of the Djibouti, which shall enter into force on the date of your reply, regulating matters relating to, and arising out of, the establishment and proper functioning of the UNOPS Office in Djibouti.

Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

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Secretary General, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation,

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Madame la Directrice Exécutif de **I'UNOPS**

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J'ai l'honneur de vous faire parvenir ci-jointe la note verbale portant sur l'établissement à Djibouti d'un bureau de liaison des Nations Unies pour les Services d'appui aux projets (UNOPS).

Je vous prie d'agréer, Madame la Directrice Exécutif, l'assurance de ma considération distinguée.

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The Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation of the Republic of Djibouti presents its compliments to the United Nations office for Project Services (UNOPS), and in reference to your note verbale of 20th March 2015 concerning the modality of implementation to establish the UNOPS office in Djibouti, has the honor to inform that the Government of Djibouti accepts the establishment of the UNOPS Representation office in Djibouti.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation accepts also to apply *mutatis mutandis* that link the Republic of Djibouti and the UNOPS under the terms concluded on the 5th of October 1979 (SBAA) with the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP).

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation of the Republic of Djibouti avails itself of this opportunity to renew the United Nations office for Project Services (UNOPS), the assurances of its highest consideration

To: / the United Nations office for Project Services (UNOPS) to Copenhagen