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Country programmes and related matters

Extensions of country programmes

Note of the Administrator

Summary

The present note contains information on the extensions of the country programmes for Afghanistan, Bahrain, Brazil, Gambia, Mauritania and Papua New Guinea.

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 and exceptional extensions of country programmes are submitted to the Board for approval.

Elements of a decision

The Executive Board may wish to:

- (a) take note of the first one-year extension of the country programme for Mauritania; and
- (b) approve the one-year extensions of the country programmes for Afghanistan, Bahrain, Brazil and Gambia, and the second six-months extension of the country programme for Papua New Guinea.



Annex

For information of the Executive Board: extensions of country programmes

Country	Years covered by original country programme document	Year(s) covered by extension already approved	Year(s) proposed for new extension	Extension		Reason and explanation		
				One-year	Two-year	United Nations harmonization	In-country political development	Other
Mauritania	2018-2022	N/A	January - December 2023	Yes		The purpose of this extension is to align with the United Nations Sustainable Development Cooperation Framework (UNSDCF) and ensure harmonization with the national development plan.		

For approval by the Executive Board: extensions of country programmes

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				One-year	Two-year	United Nations harmonization	In-country political development	Other
Afghanistan	2015-2019	2020; 2021; 2022	January - December 2023	Yes		This extension request is to align UNDP country programme period with the multiyear United Nations Strategic Planning Framework.		
Bahrain	2017-2020	2021; 2022	January 2023 - December 2024		Yes	The purpose of this extension is to align with the UNSDCF and ensure harmonization with the national development plan.		
Brazil	2017-2021	2022	January - December 2023	Yes		The purpose of this extension is to align with the UNSDCF and ensure harmonization with the national development plan.		
Gambia	2017-2021	2022	January - December 2023	Yes		The purpose of this extension is to align with the UNSDCF and ensure harmonization with the national development plan.		
Papua New Guinea	2018-2022	January to June 2023	July - December 2023	6 months		The purpose of this extension is to align with the UNSDCF and ensure harmonization with the national development plan.		