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AUDIT

OF

UNDP YEMEN

(REMOTE AUDIT)

GRANTS FROM THE GLOBAL FUND TO FIGHT AIDS, TUBERCULOSIS AND MALARIA

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Report on the remote audit of UNDP Yemen Grants from the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria Executive Summary

The UNDP Office of Audit and Investigations (OAI), from 13 to 30 September 2014, conducted a remote audit of the closure of a grant from the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria (Global Fund) (Output No. 61078 [HIV]) managed by UNDP Yemen (the Office) as the Principal Recipient. The audit focused primarily on the steps taken to close the grant.

An audit was initially planned to be undertaken in the field but, due to an unsafe security situation, a remote audit was ultimately carried out. The remote audit was based on the review of copies of supporting documentation for the transactions performed, as well as on information provided by the Office management and staff through emails and teleconferences. OAI did not conduct a physical verification of assets and equipment valued at \$2.6 million, and did not physically observe the Office's day-to-day activities. The Office had no stock of medicine.

The remote audit covered the activities of the Office from 1 January 2013 to 30 June 2014. During this period, the Office recorded expenditures totalling \$92,000 that related to grant closure activities. This was the first audit of the Office's Global Fund-related activities. OAI had twice planned to carry out an audit of the Principal Recipient, in 2011 and in 2013 but in both cases, the audit work had to be postponed because of security-related concerns.

The audit was conducted in conformance with the *International Standards for the Professional Practice of Internal Auditing*.

Overall audit rating

In view of the scope limitations entailed by the remote audit, OAI is not issuing an overall audit rating.

The remote audit did not result in any recommendations.

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