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**Office of Audit and Investigations**



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**AUDIT**

**OF**

**UNDP LEBANON**

**EARLY RECOVERY OF DISPLACED SYRIANS,  
LEBANESE HOSTING COMMUNITITES  
(Directly Implemented Project No. 65799, Output No. 84708)**

**Report No. 1795**

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**Report on the Audit of UNDP Lebanon  
Early Recovery for Displaced Syrians, Lebanese Hosting Communities  
(Project No. 65799, Output No. 84708)  
Executive Summary**

The UNDP Office of Audit and Investigations (OAI), through Moore Stephens LLP (the audit firm), from 22 May to 2 June 2017, conducted an audit of Early Recovery of Displaced Syrians, Lebanese Hosting Communities, Project No. 65799, Output No. 84708 (the Project), which is directly implemented and managed by the UNDP Country Office in Lebanon (the Office). The last audit of the Project was conducted by OAI in 2016 and covered project expenditure from 1 January to 31 December 2015.

The audit firm conducted a financial audit to express an opinion on whether the financial statements present fairly, in all material aspects, the Project's operations. The audit covered the Project's Combined Delivery Report, which includes expenditure for the period from 1 January to 31 December 2016 and the accompanying Funds Utilization statement<sup>1</sup> as of 31 December 2016 as well as Statement of Assets as of 31 December 2016. The audit did not include expenses processed and approved in locations outside of the country (such as UNDP Regional Centres and UNDP Headquarters). The audit did not cover the Statement of Cash Position as no separate bank account was established and maintained for the Project.

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

### Audit results

Based on the audit report and corresponding management letter submitted by the audit firm, the results are summarized in the table below:

Project Expenditure*		Project Assets	
Amount (in \$ '000)	Opinion	Amount (in \$ '000)	Opinion
29,946	Unqualified	253	Unqualified

\*Expenditures recorded in the Combined Delivery Report were \$29,969,997. Excluded from the audit scope were transactions that relate to expenditures processed and approved by other UNDP offices outside of the country (\$23,575).

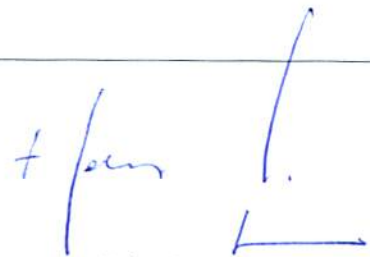
The audit did not result in any recommendations.

The previous audit (Report No. 1644, issued on 3 August 2016) did not result in any recommendations.

<sup>1</sup> The Funds Utilization statement includes the balance, as at a given date, of five items: (a) outstanding advances received by the project; (b) depreciated fixed assets used at the project level; (c) inventory held at the project level; (d) prepayments made by the project; and (e) outstanding commitments held at the project level.

### Management comments and action plan

Management comments and/or additional information provided have been incorporated into the report, where appropriate.

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