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OF

UNDP PROGRAMME OF ASSISTANCE TO THE PALESTINIAN PEOPLE

CONSTRUCTION OF 300 HOUSING UNITS IN RAFAH (Directly Implemented Project No. 42831, Output No. 99288)

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Report on the Audit of UNDP Programme of Assistance to the Palestinian People Construction of 300 Housing Units in Rafah (Project No. 42831, Output No. 99288) Executive Summary

The UNDP Office of Audit and Investigations (OAI), through Deloitte (the audit firm), from 6 June to 3 July 2017, conducted an audit of Construction of 300 Housing Units in Rafah, Project No. 42831, Output No. 99288 (the Project), which is directly implemented and managed by the UNDP Programme of Assistance to the Palestinian People (the Office). This was the first audit of the Project Output.

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 statement¹ as of 31 December 2016. The audit did not cover the Statement of Assets as no assets were held by the Project. In addition, 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	
Amount (in \$ '000)	Opinion
27,245	Unqualified

The audit did not result in any recommendations.

Management Comments

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

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¹ 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.