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AUDIT

OF

UNDP LEBANON

GATHERINGS 2, PALESTINIAN GATHERINGS HOST COMMUNITIES 2 (Directly Implemented Project No. 93058, Output No. 97505)

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Report on the Audit of UNDP Lebanon Gatherings 2, Palestinian Gatherings Host Communities 2 (Project No. 93058, Output No. 97505) Executive Summary

The UNDP Office of Audit and Investigations (OAI), through Moore Stephens LLP (the audit firm), from 14 to 21 May 2018, conducted an audit of Gatherings 2, Palestinian Gatherings Host Communities 2 (Project No. 93058, Output No. 97505) (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 through the audit firm in 2017 and covered project expenses from 1 January to 31 December 2016.

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 expenses for the period from 1 January to 31 December 2017 and the accompanying Funds Utilization statement¹ as of 31 December 2017 as well as Statement of Assets as of 31 December 2017. The audit did not cover 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 submitted by the audit firm, the results are summarized in the table below:

Project Expenses		Project Assets	
Amount (in \$ '000)	Opinion	Amount (in \$'000)	Opinion
5,453	Unmodified*	42	Unmodified*

^{*}Unmodified = unqualified or clean audit opinion.

The audit did not result in any recommendations.

The previous audit (Report No. 1797, issued on 9 August 2017) did not result in any recommendations.

At the time this audit report was being issued, OAI was investigating a complaint relating to parties involved with the Project.

¹ The Funds Utilization statement includes the balance, as at a given date, of five items: (a) outstanding advances received by the project; (b) undepreciated 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.

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Management comments and action plan

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

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