AUDIT

OF

ADMINISTRATIVE AGENT FUNCTION

OF THE SOUTH SUDAN COMMON HUMANITARIAN FUND

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Report on the Audit of Administrative Agent Function of the
South Sudan Common Humanitarian Fund
Executive Summary

The UNDP Office of Audit and Investigations (OAI) conducted an audit of the Administrative Agent function of the South Sudan Common Humanitarian Fund (South Sudan CHF), which is under the responsibility of the UNDP Multi-Partner Trust Fund Office (the Office), from 1 to 12 June 2015. The audit aimed to assess the adequacy and effectiveness of the governance, risk management and control processes relating to the following areas and sub-areas:

(a) governance and strategic management (organizational structure and delegation of authority, monitoring and reporting);

(b) accounting for donor contributions;

(c) accounting for transfer of funds to participating United Nations organizations and the International Organization for Migration;

(d) certified financial reporting on sources and use of funds; and

(e) expense reporting by participating United Nations organizations and the International Organization for Migration through the UNEX System (a web-based interface system that participating organizations used to report expenditure data).

The audit covered activities of the South Sudan CHF from 1 January 2014 to 30 April 2015. During this audit period, the South Sudan CHF recorded fund contributions totalling $199 million (including $33 million carried over from 2013) and fund disbursements totalling $188 million. This was the first audit of the Administrative Agent function of the South Sudan CHF.

This audit is part of the joint audit of South Sudan CHF approved by the United Nations Representatives of Internal Audit Services. The other parts of the joint audit are: (a) a joint-governance audit to be conducted by the participating United Nations organizations; (b) a managing agent function audit to be conducted by OAI; and (c) programme and project audits to be conducted separately by the participating United Nations organizations based on their own risk-based planning. A separate report will be issued for each part of the joint audit of South Sudan CHF and a consolidated report will be issued at the conclusion of the joint audit.

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

Overall audit rating

OAI assessed the Administrative Agent function of the South Sudan CHF as satisfactory, which means “Internal controls, governance and risk management processes were adequately established and functioning well. No issues were identified that would significantly affect the achievement of the objectives of the audited entity.”
The audit did not result in any recommendations.

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