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**APPUI AU GOUVERNEMENT POST-MATTHEW,
EARLY RECOVERY - MATTHEW**
(Directly Implemented Project No. 99905, Output No. 103320)

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Report on the Audit of UNDP Haiti
Appui au Gouvernement Post-Matthew, Early Recovery – Matthew
(Project No. 99905, Output No. 103320)
Executive Summary

The UNDP Office of Audit and Investigations (OAI), through Moore Stephens LLP (the audit firm), from 14 to 25 May 2018, conducted an audit of Appui au Gouvernement Post-Matthew (Project No. 99905, Output No.103320) (the Project), which is directly implemented and managed by the UNDP Country Office in Haiti (the Office). This was the first audit of the Project.

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 include expenses processed and approved in locations outside of the country (such as UNDP Regional Centres and UNDP Headquarters). 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 Expenses*		Project Assets	
Amount (in \$ '000)	Opinion	Amount (in \$ '000)	Opinion
3,628	Unmodified**	105	Unmodified

*Expenses recorded in the Combined Delivery Report were \$3,973,166. Excluded from the audit scope were transactions that relate to expenses processed and approved by other UNDP offices outside of the country (\$345,155).

**Unmodified = unqualified or clean opinion

Key recommendation: Total = 1, high priority = 0

The audit did not result in any high (critical) priority recommendations. There is one medium (important) priority recommendations, which means, “Action is required to ensure that UNDP is not exposed to risks. Failure to take action could result in negative consequences for UNDP.” The recommendation includes actions to address inconsistencies in Letters of Agreement issued by the Office.

The recommendation aims to ensure compliance with legislative mandates, regulations and rules, policies and procedures.

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.

Management comments and action plan

The Deputy Special Representative of the Secretary-General, UN Resident Coordinator, Humanitarian Coordinator and UNDP Resident Representative accepted the recommendation and is in the process of implementing it.

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

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