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UNDP REPUBLIC OF NORTH MACEDONIA

MUNICIPAL COUNCILS SUPPORT II
(Directly Implemented Project No. 90463, Output No. 96214)

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**Report on the Audit of UNDP Republic of North Macedonia
Municipal Councils Support II (Project No. 90463, Output No. 96214)
Executive Summary**

The UNDP Office of Audit and Investigations (OAI), through KPMG (the audit firm), from 20 to 31 May 2019, conducted an audit of Municipal Councils Support II (Project No. 90463, Output No. 96214) (the Project), which is directly implemented and managed by the UNDP Country Office in the Republic of North Macedonia (the Office). The last audit of the Project was conducted by OAI, through KPMG Geneva in 2018 and covered project expenses from 1 August 2016 to 31 December 2017.

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 2018 and the accompanying Funds Utilization statement¹ as of 31 December 2018 as well as Statement of Assets and Statement of Cash as of 31 December 2018. The audit did not include activities and expenses incurred or undertaken at the "responsible party" level.

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		Cash	
Amount (in \$ '000)	Opinion	Amount (in \$ '000)	Opinion	Amount (in \$ '000)	Opinion
296	Unmodified	11	Unmodified	1,664**	Unmodified

* Expenses recorded in the Combined Delivery Report were \$334,568. Excluded from the audit scope were expenses incurred at the "responsible party" level amounting to \$38,394.

** This amount consists of CHF 1,557,610, MKD 3,420,122 and USD \$22,033 converted at the UN Operational Exchange rate as of 31 December 2018.

The audit did not result in any recommendations.

Implementation status of previous OAI audit recommendations:

The previous audit (Report No. 1955, issued on 10 July 2018) did not result in any recommendations.

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

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

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