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OF

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

IN

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

The UNDP Office of Audit and Investigations (OAI), through Talal Abu-Ghazaleh & Co. (the audit firm), from 1 to 23 July 2021, conducted an audit of '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 BDO LLP in 2018 and covered project expenses from 1 January to 31 December 2017.

The audit firm conducted a financial audit in accordance with the International Standards of Auditing (ISA), the 700 series, 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 2020 and the accompanying Funds Utilization statement as of 31 December 2020 as well as Statement of Assets as of 31 December 2020. The audit did not cover the Statement of Cash 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
4,813	Unmodified	46	Unmodified

The audit did not result in any recommendations.

Implementation status of previous OAI audit recommendations:

The previous audit (Report No. 1935, issued on 23 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.

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Management comments and action plan

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

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