



**AUDIT**

**OF**

**UNDP DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF THE CONGO**

**APPUI AUX PARLEMENTS**  
**(Directly Implemented Project No. 56831)**

**Report No. 996**  
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**Report on the audit of UNDP Democratic Republic of the Congo  
Appui aux Parlements (Project No. 56831)  
Executive Summary**

From 21 January to 18 February 2013, the Office of Audit and Investigations (OAI) of the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), through KPMG (the audit firm), conducted an audit of Appui aux Parlements, Project No. 56831 (the Project), which is directly implemented and managed by the UNDP Country Office in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (the Office). The audit was conducted under the general supervision of OAI in conformance with the *International Standards for the Professional Practice of Internal Auditing*. The last audit of the Office was conducted by OAI in 2012.

The Project reported expenditure totalling \$0.7 million during the period from 1 January to 31 December 2011. The Project was funded by the Department for International Development (United Kingdom) and UNDP.

**Audit scope and objectives**

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 Statement of Expenditure (Combined Delivery Report) for the period from 1 January 2011 to 31 December 2011 and Statement of Assets as of 31 December 2011.

**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 Expenditure		Project Assets		Cash	
Amount (in \$ '000)	Opinion	Amount (in \$'000)	Opinion	Amount (in \$'000)	Opinion
720	Unqualified	111	Unqualified	-	N/A*

\*No separate bank account was held by the project

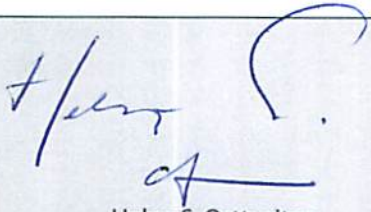
**Key issues and recommendations**

The audit raised three issues and resulted in three recommendations, of which one (33 percent) was ranked high (critical) priority, meaning "Prompt action is required to ensure that UNDP is not exposed to high risks. Failure to take action could result in major negative consequences for UNDP and may affect the organization at the global level."

Assets management (Issue 3)	<u>Existence of obsolete assets in the assets register.</u> The assets register included some old and obsolete items for which acquisition cost was not identified. OAI recommends that the assets register be updated and obsolete assets be identified and disposed of, as appropriate.
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**Management's comments**

The Resident Representative acknowledged all three recommendations.



Helge S. Ostveiten  
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