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Dear Secretary-General,

As you are likely aware, Papua New Guinea, with a population of approximately 5.3 million people (of which 85 per cent live in rural areas and about 40 per cent are under the age of 18), is the largest of the island states in the south-west Pacific. Papua New Guinea has a rich and unique cultural and ethnic diversity, with almost eight per cent of all the world's languages spoken by its wide variety of ethnic groups distributed on the Papua New Guinea mainland and many islands.

With great pleasure, I report to you the UN's accomplishments in Papua New Guinea in 2006. After a short summary of the political and socio-economic environment in which we operated, this report will describe our progress towards the UNDAF Outcomes, the UN Reform, and the key aspects of our 2007 Work plan. We will also use this opportunity to provide a short brief on the current situation in Bougainville and the security conditions in Papua New Guinea.

#### Brief Description of Major Developments or Political Events Effecting UNCT's Work in 2006.

PNG reached two very important milestones this year. For the first time in 30 years a government has served its full five-year term and is now contemplating a second term. Also this year, legislation was passed in Parliament requiring that future revisions to the Medium Term Development Strategy (MTDS) be subjected to parliamentary consensus. Combined with this, is the Government's budgetary and fiscal processes which has been placed under legislative controls.

Also notable this year is the 2007 budget proposals, which are a manifestation and outcome of the Medium Term Development Strategy 2005-2010, which seeks an alignment between identified priorities and the budget. The 2007 budget is designed to align 88 per cent of the MTDS' priorities. The budget shows that ratio of the development expenditure between the Government and development partners will increase from 3:1 in 2006 to 4:1 in 2007.

These reforms are aimed at establishing both political and policy stability in the country and casting an optimistic view while providing a strong case for the United Nations Development Assistance Framework agreed on with the Government in 2006, which is aimed at strengthening the ongoing reforms. However, political maneuvering continues, with the potential to unravel the gains made this year. I am cautiously optimistic that if political and policy stability hold beyond this year's elections, there could be an improvement on the adverse situation submitted in my report a year ago. It is also hoped that overall human development could benefit from the stability envisaged. The PNG Human Development Index (HDI), which currently stands at 0.523, remained unchanged from 2005. However, the HDI rank in 2006 dropped to 139<sup>th</sup> from 137<sup>th</sup>.

Leading PNG politicians have indicated their willingness to reduce the nation's dependence on foreign aid by allowing more foreign investment in the mining, forestry and fishing industries. If not managed properly, the expansion of these industries could have a negative bearing on our efforts to promote sustainable development, good governance and human rights-based development in PNG. To date, the benefits from foreign investments in these industries have not been distributed widely among ordinary PNG citizens. Concerns have been growing in recent years over what appeared to be the extraction of national resources for the benefit of only a privileged few.

#### Summary of Progress Towards UNDAF Outcomes

The implementation of our UNDAF entered its fourth year in 2006. As guided by our 2003-2007 UNDAF report, we continued to work on improving leadership and participation in policy planning as well as management. While the UN agencies in PNG continue to operate under the broad framework of the 2003-2007 UNDAF, this year, concentration has been put on the way forward towards the implementation of a unique United Nations Country Programme (UNCP) (2008-2012) with the theme 'Partnerships to Enhance Nation Building'. The UNCP truly exhibits a clear roadmap for programme harmonization and the implementation of UN Reform in Papua New Guinea. 2007 will be a year of preparation and organization, to ensure that all systems for the management of the UNCP will have been tested and be ready for implementation by January of 2008.

#### Highlights from the UN Theme Group on HIV/AIDS:

As in the previous year, HIV/AIDS remains one of the key priorities of joint programming in Papua New Guinea. One of the major accomplishments was the endorsement of the National Strategic Plan on HIV and AIDS (NSP) and its monitoring and evaluation framework which were approved by the Government of PNG in July 2006. The development of the NSP and the monitoring and evaluation framework is a result of the collective input of the UN Theme Group on HIV/AIDS, along with other development partners, in support of the Government's efforts to implement the 'Three Ones' principle. UNAIDS is committed to providing the required support for costing the National Strategic Plan that is scheduled to take place in early 2007. We are also proud to report that, with UN assistance, the National AIDS Council endorsed two very important policies: a Gender Policy on HIV/AIDS and its implementation

plan; and a Workplace Policy Took Kit on HIV/AIDS, which is being implemented by numerous private and public sector entities.

Significant progress was made during the year to effectively engage the civil society in the national response to AIDS. This was marked by the establishment of an umbrella body for civil society organizations, the PNG Alliance of Civil Society Organizations (PACSO). To ensure that the organization has a healthy start, the UN Theme Group is supporting PACSO operations and activities through the Programme Acceleration Funds (PAF) facility under UNAIDS. It is important to note that PACSO organized the national commemoration of World AIDS Day on 1 December 2006. The challenge is to maintain the existing mutual trust and cooperation between PACSO and the Government in addition to keeping the organization which is a collection of different groups and entities, united and focused on driving the national response.

The functioning of the UN-HIV/AIDS Donor Partners' Forum during the year is an excellent example of ongoing efforts to translate into reality, at country level, the recommendations of the Global Task Team (GTT). One of the joint areas of focus by the Donor Partners' Forum during the year was the sharing of information in an open and transparent manner on potential areas of support to the national response on AIDS in 2007. The existing goodwill and cooperation will be further strengthened in 2007.

#### Highlights from the Disaster Management Team:

It is my pleasure to report that OCHA opened an office in PNG in February 2006 with the deployment of a Humanitarian Affairs Officer (HAO) and that the office is currently expanding. The subsequent formation of the Inter-Agency Disaster Management Team resulted in the creation of basic preparedness products and procedures, such as an emergency contact list, communication tree and national emergency stockpile matrix. The merging of the Government's Avian Influenza Technical Task Force with the UN Avian Flu Working Group resulted in the Avian Human Influenza Technical Task Force (AHITTF). The TTF currently assists the Government in formulating and operationalising the National Contingency Pandemic Preparedness and Response Plan. The Emergency IT and Telecom Committee was established to meet OCHA's "Process Owners" responsibilities under the Cluster Approach to ensure operational and business continuity in times of emergencies.

Fundamental progress has been made in building relationships with relevant government departments, especially the National Disaster Centre throughout this year. As a result of this partnership, tried and tested emergency reporting and response capacities have been established. Joint activities between UN agencies and government colleagues have increased, as evidenced by rapid IDP needs assessments and a food security survey.

#### Summary of Progress in UN Reform

The UNCT decided to adopt an innovative approach to UN development assistance in line with the principles of the UN Reform. Using the guidelines for the formulation of an UNDAF, the UNCT adopted a UNCP as the new framework for our five-year country work plan for PNG (2008-2012).

##### i. Efforts to Align with the National Development Process:

Throughout the drafting of the UNCP, the PNG Government, using its MTDS as a base, helped to jointly identify national priorities and guide our country programming process. The alignment and timing of our UNCP matches that of the majority of our donor partners and the Government had no objection for the UN maintaining its current programming timeframes.

The UNCT initiated a comprehensive consultative process with our development partners in PNG, including the Government, civil society, private sector, and foreign donors, as well as foreign missions in country, to draft the UNCP. During the entire process (which still continues today), the UNCT strongly encouraged a government-led process to identify key development priorities over the next five years by requesting that government representatives chair the Process Steering Committee meetings and that government technical-level staff co-chair each of our 19 UNCP Technical Working Groups.

To ensure greater participation at the outset of the process, the UNCT hosted a "Secretaries' Retreat" in Goroka, which produced broad consensus on the main priority areas identified jointly by the UN system and the Government, namely: Governance and crisis management; foundations for human development; sustainable livelihoods and population; gender; and HIV/AIDS. The UNCT has been applauded by both the Government and donor partners for the processes undertaken and the Government went as far to say that the UN has 'set the benchmark for the way the Government would like to work with development partners'. Donor partners have also applauded the UN for the concerted effort towards programme harmonization and the demonstration that the UN country offices in PNG take the principles of the UN Reform very seriously.

##### ii. Support to the National Government in the Preparation, Implementation, and/or Revision of Comprehensive MDG - Based National Development Strategies:

With the assistance of our Joint UN Programme for the Attainment of the MDGs, the Government of Papua New Guinea published a National MDG Roadmap which details specific outputs it envisages for completion between 2006 and 2015. Currently we are working towards ensuring that the 67 localized MDG indicators will be fully and comprehensively disseminated at the national and global level. The offices of the Prime Minister and Speaker of Parliament have also been informed about the 67 MDG indicators and plans are underway to disseminate them at the provincial and district levels.

There were other achievements made in relation to the National MDG campaign. The first MDG Project Steering Committee was held in Port Moresby in November 2006 where it was proposed that MDG Goal Number 8 should be localized in line with the Paris Declaration on Aid Effectiveness/Madang Declaration 2006. Also, the PNG Government delegation extended a tentative invitation to Ambassador Erna Witoelar, United Nations Special Ambassador for the Millennium Development Goals in Asia and the Pacific, to visit

PNG sometime this year. Finally, a Youth Summit on the MDGs was organized in September 2006 where youths leaders from every province in the country were sensitized about the MDGs and the Government's plans for achieving them.

iii. Experiences with Joint Programmes and HACT and Highlights of Coordination Harmonized Approach to Cash Transfers (HACT):

Two UN staff members attended the Regional Training on HACT in February 2006. Following the training, the UNCT agreed on a work plan to ensure that HACT will be fully implemented, effective 1 January 2008, in-line with our UNCP. In August 2006, all UN staff in Port Moresby were briefed on HACT modalities. We have quite a number of challenges to overcome in the implementation of the HACT Country Work plan, especially ensuring that the Government and other partners come on board. Training and ongoing consultations are planned in 2007 for this sensitization. I am pleased to report the completion of the Macro Assessment of a Provincial Government conducted in December 2006. In addition, a Micro Assessment has been carried out and lessons learned will be incorporated into the overall strategy for Joint Micro Assessments in 2007 for which financial provision has already been made.

Joint Programmes:

In the spirit of the UN Reform the UNCT has put concerted effort into ensuring the success of our UN Joint Programmes. Specifically, the UN Joint Programme to Support M & E for HIV/AIDS, and the Joint Programme to Support the Achievement of the MDGs were rolled out in 2006 and are currently making great strides against their proposed outcomes. I have already described the accomplishments of our Joint UN Programme to Support the Attainment of the MDGs. Our Joint M & E Programme for HIV/AIDS has successfully rolled out training on M & E in eight provinces in PNG to develop national and provincial capacity to monitor the national response to HIV/AIDS. A key component to the success of our joint projects is that they benefit not only from the oversight of the UNCT, but the Inter-Agency Programme Committee also sits on the respective Steering Committees.

The UNCT has realized that without addressing the human rights issues in PNG, it will be difficult for the country to achieve its MDG's, in particular MDG 3. The UNCT recently formed a Human Rights Task Force (HRTF) to try and bring greater UN focus to the area and to work towards the establishment of a national Human Rights Commission. The HRTF proposal for a Joint Proposal for a Human Rights project has been approved by the Action 2 Committee at Headquarters. The UNCT is also very pleased to advise that the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (UNOHCHR) will be deploying a Human Rights Adviser to PNG in 2007 to support our ongoing activities under the UN Joint Programme.

DevInfo training for UN, the PNG Government, national research institutes and other stakeholders was organized by UNICEF. Follow-up sessions were held monthly for participants to enhance their skills and to discuss issues to be managed. A DevInfo demonstration was organized in collaboration with the University of PNG and UNICEF. Participants from various government departments and research institutes attended. The UN, the Department of National Planning and Monitoring (DNPM) and the National Statistical Office (NSO) have maintained close dialogue to finalize a DevInfo Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) which is to be signed soon.

Other Highlights of Coordination:

The Inter-Agency Programming Committee (IAPC) and a UN Operations Committee (UNOC) that were formed by the UNCT in 2005 continue to grow and strengthen inter-agency coordination. The Inter-Agency Programme Committee, provided leadership throughout the UNCP process while also ensuring that joint UN projects progressed according to plan. Our UN Operations Committee made great strides towards strengthening our Common Services systems. The Committee formulated a Common Services Action Plan to fast track five areas of concentration: Joint Procurement, UN House, Transport Fleet Management, Travel Desk/ Visa Services and Banking. Activities will continue in 2007 to ensure that our procedures are as streamlined as possible. Also in 2006 a UN Library was established, in coordination with the World Bank, and the UNCT has approved the funding of a UN Library Assistant. This year, we welcomed the Inter-Agency Communications Committee on board. This committee is chaired by a newly recruited UN Communications Specialist and aims to increase visibility of the UN and its activities. All inter-agency committees include one staffer from each UN agency in PNG (where practicable). The committees were able to work collectively to implement the UN coordination work plans and report progress to the UNCT monthly. They have been key to our successes in joint programming. In order to ensure greater participation and ownership, each of our inter-agency committees benefits from a chairperson whose function is rotated among the agencies every six months.

In an effort to promote understanding and acceptance of HIV testing, heads of United Nations agencies in Papua New Guinea have publicly undergone voluntary counseling and testing (VCT) for HIV. Taking part in the event organized as part of activities commemorating this year's United Nations Day in Port Moresby was also a selection of national leaders and public figures from across the country, including the Minister of Health. We were joined by other United Nations staff members, representatives of civil society organizations, athletes, youth leaders, students and other members of the public. Addressing the participants, the Governor General of Papua New Guinea, commended the United Nations Country Team for the work it was doing to curtail the spread of HIV/AIDS and to provide support to those infected with the virus.

WHO, UNICEF and UNFPA were driving forces for the establishment, and are now part, of the Sector Wide Approach in the Health Sector (Health System Improvement Program (HSIP)) together with two Bi-laterals and ADB. The Government appreciates the streamlining of the support to the health sector and the easier interaction with the development partners (DP) as a group instead of with individual agencies with their differing planning, reporting and financing procedures. Further, due to the various management structures of the HSIP (biweekly meetings, two annual summits and a monthly DP meeting) better coordination and collaboration was achieved between the different DPs e.g. responsibility and costs for a yearly sector evaluation by an Independent Monitoring and Review Group are jointly born by the different agencies and the National Department of Health (NDoH). The central branches at the NDoH and the provincial health offices have gained more flexibility on how to use their resources, which created more ownership

and responsibility for programme implementation. The commonly used trust account improved accountability and transparency in the sector, though it might at times hinder timely spending by being over-bureaucratic. These shortcomings are about to be addressed.

iv. Support to National Partners Endeavors towards Capacity Development and Aid Effectiveness :

As designated by the UNCT, UNDP represents the UN as a member of the Technical Working Committee, comprising government and donor representatives, for localizing the Paris Declaration. In the last 12 months UNDP has begun to play a prominent role in strengthening the capacity of the national government in aid effectiveness. Together with an initiative in strengthening the capacity of the Office of Aid Management and Coordination, UNDP is contributing by way of policy advice and advocacy to the Government's initiative with all development partners in improving the effectiveness of aid to Papua New Guinea.

Bougainville Update:

2006 has witnessed a consolidation of the political and administrative system in the Autonomous Region of Bougainville. The House of Representatives is meeting regularly and the Executive Branch is making key policy and operational decisions. The Administrative Branch is undergoing a major overhaul designed to reinforce the new developmental orientations of the Autonomous Government of Bougainville. A massive recruitment of new key staff is well underway and a reinvigoration of both the district level management and the Council of Elders - Bougainville's local government - is anticipated to be launched early in 2007. Mainline ministries are functioning, although with coverage and coordination difficulties.

Security is still an ongoing concern, with armed groups, road blocks and somewhat independent autonomous operations still an obstacle to development, particularly in the South and, to a lesser extent, in the Central Region.

The UN programmes continue to support the inaugurated Autonomous Government of Bougainville government and the people of Bougainville with modest involvement. UNDP's Planning and Community Service Project is working mostly with the central government, providing critical expertise and reviews. Over the past year, four reviews have been successfully conducted, namely: the Council of Elders review resulting in a new policy, strategy and implementation plan; a civil society organization review that is being shared with the relevant government bodies to improve coordination; a business-training review; and a Bougainville Human Development Report which will be published in this year. The Planning Department and the economic sector are to be key beneficiaries of placement of personnel and consultancies in 2007. UNICEF has completed its planning for its second year of operations of Child-rights based development in two key districts of the Central Region, focusing on schools, communities and local government. This includes women and children's health, HIV/AIDS prevention, child protection and creating an enabling environment for child-friendly schools. UNFPA has begun support to the establishment of three health centres in the province. UNHCR, World Health Organization, UNAIDS and OCHA all have had missions providing support over the past year.

UN Staff Safety and Security

Continued weak governance and policing remains, allowing for increased crime levels to affect the country and its population. Evidence shows that the judiciary and democratic functions remain "weak" despite an improving economy. The rapid spread of HIV/AIDS and increased criminality is putting pressure on the authorities, who have been assessed as dealing "poorly" with the country's current security concerns. With the continuance of high levels of extremely violent crime, the security phase for the country remains at Phase 2 (Restrictive movement) for UN staff. The continued crime epidemic, has made Port Moresby one of the most dangerous cities in the world due to criminal gangs known as "raskols". Criminal activity such as armed robberies, rapes and assaults are frequent in nature across the country. The risk to UN staff being caught up in a crime incident is assessed as having increased due to agencies being more active throughout the country, including in Goroka in PNG's rugged highlands, which has been wracked by tribal fighting, and Bougainville Island, devastated by the 15-year civil war. Tension between ethnic or clan groups can be expected toward the lead up to the 2007 general elections, particularly at large public gatherings.

Papua New Guinea remains one of the most disaster-prone countries in the world where natural and man-made disasters occur regularly. Geographically, PNG is located in a seismic zone where earthquakes, landslides, volcanoes and tsunamis are frequent along with floods, drought and tropical cyclones. Technical disasters such as oil spills, industrial pollution, unregulated and destructive land use, combined with a rapid population increase, all contribute to the risk factor toward UN staff. Many of these issues stated above do not immediately pose a threat to UN Staff but continued negligence of the state will eventually have a crippling effect on the population and could put UN staff under greater threat.

Key Aspects of the Proposed 2007 Work plan

We look forward to a year where focused coordination will result in further harmonization of our programmes. As we move towards the implementation of the UN reform, the Coordination Unit of the RC's Office will continue to offer coordination assistance, strategic advice and communications expertise through the assistance of the Coordination Specialist and her assistant, the UNCT Policy Adviser, the External Relations Adviser and the UN Communications Specialist. The inter-agency committees, especially the operation and programming committees, will undergo additional training in relation to the implementation of UN Reform and joint programming.

Our Joint programmes will continue to be implemented according to their workplan. Our HIV/AIDS M & E Programme will endeavour to work in 12 remaining provinces to develop national and provincial capacity to monitor the national response to HIV/AIDS. In relation to the support to the MDG's, our UN Joint programme has many activities envisioned including the verification of the localized MDG data and preparation and finalization of statistical baseline report at the national, provincial and district levels; completion of MDG diagnostic assessment covering the national, provincial and district levels based on the 67 localized indicators;

and an MDG costing completed and announced nationally and globally; among many others. With the UNOHCHR Human Rights Adviser coming on board in 2007, we look forward to launching what we hope will be a very successful joint project to support human rights activities in PNG.

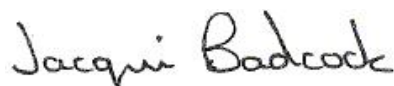
Through the implementation of the Aid Coordination and Management Project, national capacities will be developed to effectively monitor the implementation of the Paris Declaration. Further, to this efforts are underway to conduct a micro assessment with several government departments and provincial governments to assess the governments' overall capacities to implement projects within their structures as stipulated in the HACT.

Recommendations, if any, for changes in policies rules and regulations:

In 2006, the RC's office went from one UNDP staff member devoting 10 per cent of her time to RC coordination to a team of three full-time staff (two of whom are International) and two half-time staff members. The UNCT sees the value in the strengthened RC office, but the cost of meeting the salary obligations is a burden that is not usually shared equally among the agencies. At present, UNDP covers the salaries of a Coordination Specialist (international), a Coordination Assistant, a UN Communications Specialist and a UN Economist. The salaries alone make it difficult to maintain the office let alone engage in the numerous inter-agency committee activities and projects that exist. The RC budget allocated by DGO is spent long before the salaries can be covered. As we implement the UN Reform, and in PNG particularly where we are discussing the formulation of a Joint UN Office, perhaps DGO may wish to consider creating headquarters funded posts (100 or 200 series) for the RC's office. This would make it possible for the funds that agencies can contribute to inter-agency activities to be allocated towards important joint initiatives and programmes.

I hope you will agree that we have had a very busy and successful year for the UN in PNG and that the above summary of the UN system's activities in 2006 is useful. The UNCT would greatly appreciate any comments that you may have.

Yours Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jacqui Badcock". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

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## **2006 RESULTS AND FUNDS**

UNCTs are requested to provide information in those areas considered mandatory for TCPDR reporting requirements which are highlighted \*.

UNCTs must report on all the outputs included in their last year workplan even if results were not achieved. HQ and regional structures need to know why those planned outputs were not completed in order to identify weaknesses and constraints in UN Reform. UNCTs are encouraged to report on outputs that were not planned initially at the beginning of the year but were decided later in the year and for which the UNCTs devoted important efforts.

2006 Results and Use of Funds											
Key Results Area	Expected Outputs	Performance Indicators	Actual Outputs at Year End	Funds required/spent at Year End							
				SRC		Transition Fund		UN Agencies		Other	
				Required	Spent	Required	Spent	Required	Spent	Required	Spent
Progress towards UNDAF Outcomes											
<a href="#">UNDAF Outcome 1</a>	As the previous UNDAF is considered outdated, the UNCT is concentrating on the formulation of the new CCA/UNDAF in 2006.	N/A									
<a href="#">UNDAF Outcome 2</a>	Same as above	N/A									
<a href="#">UNDAF Outcome 3</a>	Same as above	N/A									
<a href="#">UNDAF Outcome 4</a>	N/A	N/A									
<a href="#">UNDAF Outcome 5</a>	N/A	N/A									
Alignment with national development processes											
<a href="#">Planned efforts to align UN programme cycle with national development cycle</a> *	The formulation of the new UNDAF is completed with full participation of	The CCA/UNDAF Orientation Workshop for UNCT and select Inter-	The entire UNCT participated in the UN Programming Process Regional Orientation	\$5,000.00	\$12,000.00					\$10,000.00	

	consultative partners and in collaboration with the PNG government, as well as with leading non-governmental organizations (NGOs).	Agency Programming Committee (IAPC) members is completed.	Workshop held in Fiji on 15 - 18 March 2006.			
<a href="#">Planned efforts to align UN programme cycle with national development cycle</a> *		UNDAF consultant is hired to facilitate the process and improve inter-agency coordination.	UNCP Consultant assisted the 6 month consultation process and helped to produce a draft UNCP which reflected the work of 19 thematic groups.	\$30,000.00	\$54,000.00	\$30,000.00
<a href="#">Planned efforts to align UN programme cycle with national development cycle</a> *		Workshops with partners and Government are organized to formulate the new CCA/UNDAF.	Secretaries Retreat held along with various workshops (Strategic Planning Retreat, UNCP Retreat)	\$30,000.00	\$5,188.00	\$12,000.00
<a href="#">Initiatives planned for the development and/or implementation of joint programmes</a> *	The implementation of the HIV/AIDS M&E Joint Programme continues throughout the year with full UNCT support.	Needs analysis and capacity surveys in 8 provinces are completed on schedule; RC-sponsored meetings with stakeholder partners to promote awareness of the M&E needs around the nation as well	All Surveys in the 8 provinces have been completed. Meetings have been held through Project Steering Committee Consultative Meetings and the capacity of the National AIDS Council for M&E is noted	\$1,000.00		\$282,750.00 \$200,000.00

		as the results of the surveys.	with its 4 person team.		
<a href="#">Initiatives planned for the development and/or implementation of joint programmes *</a>	The MDG Joint Programme is endorsed and initiated.	MDG Joint Programme fully supports the Government with national plans and advocacy to help meet the MDGs;		\$1,500.00	\$400,000.00
		RC-sponsored workshops and meetings with government partners and NGOs are organised throughout the year to promote the Joint Programme and the expected results.			
<a href="#">Initiatives planned for the development and/or implementation of joint programmes *</a>	A Joint Human Rights project is formulated.	The project formulation is completed and the project proposal is submitted to the UNCT for endorsement;	The UN Human Rights Taskforce was formed and were successful in their application to Action II funding and the deployment of a Human Rights Adviser for PNG in 2007.	\$1,000.00	\$100.00
		Workshops with stakeholder partners are organised to promote the results expected under the Joint Programme.	Successful high level consultations have improved the dialog in the Government and more towards		

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Support to national development plans & strategies

<a href="#">Planned efforts to jointly support national government in the preparation, implementation, and/or revision of MDG-based national development strategies</a>	<p>The recruitment of the MDG Economist is completed.</p>	<p>The MDG Economist is onboard and begins advising the government (as well as the UNCT) on macroeconomic issues relevant to the MDGs.</p>	<p>Successfully recruited Kojo Acquaisie, MDG Economist</p>	<p>\$180,000.00</p>	<p>\$90,000.00</p>
<a href="#">Planned efforts to jointly support national government in the preparation, implementation, and/or revision of MDG-based national development strategies</a>	<p>An MDG consultant assists with the integration of the MDG targets into the new UNDAF.</p>	<p>The UNDAF report is completed on schedule and the expected UNDAF outcomes are consistent with the revised MDG targets for PNG.</p>	<p>UN Economist provided on-going advice to the UNCP process to ensure outcomes were consistent with MDG targets in PNG</p>	<p>\$35,000.00</p>	
<a href="#">Initiatives planned for the support of the national development plan, e.g. PRS in the areas of Advocacy</a>		<p>Workshops and/or seminars for targeted audience (including government officials, civil society organizations, the news media and community leaders) are organized throughout the year (BUDGET INCLUDED IN JOINT</p>	<p>National Youth Summit on MDGs held with 4 participants attending from every province and 20 from the NCD.  Dissemination of 67 localised Indicators globally and nationally.  Sensitisation of MDG through presentations at Academic Institutions</p>	<p>\$2,500.00</p>	<p>\$2,500.00</p>

		PROGRAMME (UPNG) ABOVE).	Youth from PNG participated in the Global Youth Summit on MDGs in New York.		
<a href="#">Initiatives planned for the support of the national development plan, e.g. PRS in the areas of Advocacy</a>	The public knowledge of MDGs, as well as of the link between MDGs and the national Medium-Term Development Strategy (MTDS), is improved through advocacy campaigns.	Translation of the MDGs into local languages is completed and the translated publications are distributed widely in key provinces. BUDGET INCLUDED IN JOINT MDG PROGRAMME ABOVE;			
<a href="#">Initiatives planned for the support of the national development plan, e.g. PRS in the areas of Dialogue/Participation</a>					
<a href="#">Initiatives planned for the support of the national development plan, e.g. PRS in the areas of Coordination</a>	The PNG government's ability to coordinate foreign assistance and distribute it efficiently (as well as in accordance with the national development agenda outlined in the MTDS) is enhanced through	The aid coordination and management programme is successfully launched and the upgraded system becomes part of the main procedures at the Department of National Planning and Rural Development	Programme has been launched, recruitment of CTA and National Project Coordinator underway.	\$550,000.00	\$80,000.00

	technical and financial support from the UNCT.	(DNPRD).		
<a href="#">Initiatives planned for the support of the national development plan, e.g. PRS in the areas of Technical assistance</a>				
<a href="#">Planned efforts to develop national capacities for management of the development process, e.g. SWAps, national systems, capacity assessments and measurement of results *</a>	The management of PNG's health sector is improved through the sector-wide approach that emphasises agreed priorities, government leadership and accountability, and the efficient delivery of prioritised healthcare and services (under the National or Provincial Health Plan).	UN agencies continue to provide technical and financial support to the Department of Health under SWAp and Fund report problems, as well as progress to the UNCT regularlry;		\$170,000.00
<a href="#">Planned efforts to develop national capacities for management of the development process, e.g. SWAps, national systems, capacity assessments and measurement of results *</a>		UN support to the implementation of the Global Fund continues throughout the year to ensure timely disbursements of the grants for both HIV/AIDS and Malaria. The Global Fund Technical	GFATM procurement and management adviser is retained to provide essential support to HIV/AIDS and malaria grants.	\$171,000.00

Advisor of the programme returns to PNG to provide further assistance and guidance to the CCM and Principle Recipient.

[UN assistance to national authorities for the preparation of the national report on the implementation of the Brussels Programme of Action of LDCs](#) \*

[Planned initiatives for the implementation of "quick impact" interventions](#)

The MDG Joint Programme allows for small grant provision allowing Provincial Governments to put proposals together to fund 'quick win' projects.

Proposals for small grants under the MDG Joint Programme are submitted and approved, and the results of the projects lead to the improvement of MDG indicators. (BUDGET INCLUDED ABOVE IN MDG JOINT PROGRAMME)

This initiative did not proceed due to a change in the priorities of Government

[UN plan to support the implementation of the UNDG Action Plan on the Development Outcome of the World Summit \(MDG Action Plan\)](#) \*

The Government of Papua New Guinea published a National MDG Roadmap which details specific outputs envisaged for completion between 2006 - 2015

The 67 localised MDG indicators have been fully and comprehensively disseminated at the national and global level.

[Planned efforts to elaborate and/or implement a post-crisis UN transition plan or strategy](#)

Increasingly using and strengthening national systems

<p><a href="#">Planned efforts to making use of national systems by your agencies in order to reduce transaction costs of our programme countries in the areas of: Programme/project reporting</a></p>	<p>The need to allocate funds for acquiring up-to-date social and economic data is reduced through the establishment of DevInfo; Transaction costs are reduced through the development of the Joint Programme on Human Rights and any other Joint Programmes the Inter-Agency Programme Committee formulates.</p>	<p>For DevInfo: The database system is integrated into NSO's work plan and procedures; For Joint Programming: The formulation of the Joint Programme on Human Rights is completed and approved by the UNCT, while inter-agency discussions on areas of possible collaboration continues throughout the year;</p>	<p>Completed a Devinfo training with Government partners however the MOU is still to be signed</p>	\$20,000.00	
<p><a href="#">Planned efforts to making use of national systems by your agencies in order to reduce transaction costs</a></p>	<p>Further reduction of transaction costs materialised</p>	<p>Desired project outputs are met and the NAC is able to better monitor</p>	<p>Trainings on M&amp;E conducted in 8 provinces (BUDGET INCLUDED</p>	\$282,750.00	\$902,600.00

[of our programme countries in the areas of: Programme/project reporting](#) through the on-going implementation of the HIV/AIDS Joint Monitoring and Evaluation Programme through the establishment of a central Monitoring and Evaluation system at the National AIDS Council. and evaluate HIV/AIDS programmes nationally. (BUDGET INCLUDED ABOVE IN HIV/AIDS JOINT PROGRAMME) ABOVE IN HIV/AIDS JOINT PROGRAMME)

[Planned efforts to making use of national systems by your agencies in order to reduce transaction costs of our programme countries in the areas of: PRS/sectoral monitoring and evaluation systems](#)

[Planned efforts to making use of national systems by your agencies in order to reduce transaction costs of our programme countries in the areas of: Annual PRS/sectoral performance reviews](#)

[Planned efforts to making use of national systems by your agencies in order to reduce transaction costs of our programme countries in the areas of: PRS/sectoral progress reports](#)

[Planned efforts to making use of national systems by your agencies in order to](#)

[reduce transaction costs of our programme countries in the areas of: National procurement systems](#)

Increased efforts on HIV/AIDS

<p><a href="#">Planned activities to operationalise the GTT Recommendations relating to the joint UN Team on AIDS and the UN Programme of Support including ISP</a></p>	<p>Ensure GTT on agenda of Donor Partners Forum for discussion and action;</p>	<p>Minutes of Donor Partners Forum taken place throughout 2006;</p>	<p>All minutes compiled and distributed. Prime Minister has become increasingly involved in HIV/AIDS advocacy and has nominated a new Minister to Health to champion this issue.</p>	<p>\$10,000.00</p>
	<p>Establish dialogue with the government;</p>	<p>Dialogue with PNG Minister advising the PM on HIV/AIDS is established and the meeting minutes are available or follow-up purposes;</p>	<p>Donor Partners regularly informed through monthly forums hosted by the UNRC</p>	
	<p>Ensure strengthening of the NAC's capacity;</p>	<p>Donor Partners Forum discussions on capacity development at the NAC are conveyed to the Minister;</p>	<p>The minister is invited to special meetings on HIV/AIDS and study tours which has resulted in Government leadership and ownership.</p>	
	<p>Encourage and support government leadership on HIV/AIDS response.</p>	<p>The Minister is fully aware of the importance of government leadership and takes the lead in pushing for it;</p>	<p>Completed through the M&amp;E project however needs further strengthening.</p>	
		<p>Workshops to promote Three Ones and to facilitate the Integrated</p>	<p>(BUDGET</p>	

Support Programme are organised throughout the year. INCLUDED IN THE M&E BUDGET)

[Planned efforts to support the national response to AIDS through strengthening the Three Ones](#)

Increased efficient and cost-effective operational coordination

[Planned initiatives to move forward on common premises & services and cost sharing \(including Joint Office initiative\)](#)

<p>All common services staff (UN House Manager, Registry, Receptionist and IT Assistant) are onboard and contribute toward our common service goals;</p>	<p>Recruitment of the IT Assistant is completed; Workshops to improve staff knowledge of common services are organised throughout the year.</p>	<p>UN Staff benefit from state of the art IT support with the recruitment IT Assistant completed. UN Common Services Workshop completed resulting in priority areas being identified for immediate action to fast track harmonisation between agencies. Staff had a one week training on Telephone and Customer Service.</p>	<p>\$3,000.00</p>	<p>\$13,500.00</p>
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[Planned efforts to support implementation of the harmonized approach to cash transfers \\*](#)

<p>All UN staff are fully knowledgeable of the harmonised approach to cash transfers.</p>	<p>All Operations and Programme staff receive training on harmonised approach to cash transfers.</p>	<p>Training was held for all staff. A Macro Assessment has been done</p>	<p>\$1,500.00</p>	<p>\$10,000.00</p>
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Strengthened coordination capacity of the UNCT

<p><a href="#">Considered staffing of RCS support</a></p>	<p>The UN Coordination Specialist's ability to support the RC system and the UNCT in implementing the 2005 RCS workplan, as well as in formulating the new CCA/UNDAF, is strengthened through the successful recruitment of a UN Coordination Assistant; Quality reports published by required deadlines.</p>	<p>The Coordination Assistant is recruited to complement the Coordination Specialist's role in supporting RC in all inter-agency matters; Quality report are published by deadlines.</p>	<p>Successfully recruited the Coordination Assistant - Debbie Maraki. Coordination Specialist retrained. A UN Communication Specialist and a UN Economist joined the RC Office in July.</p>	<p>\$190,000.00</p>	<p>\$14,000.00</p>	<p>\$270,000.00</p>
<p><a href="#">Considered staffing of RCS support</a></p>	<p>Resident Coordinator participates in thematic discussions, workshops and meetings nationally, regionally or internationally to enhance on-going and keep current on new coordination efforts.</p>	<p>RC attendance and participation in external and internal workshops, and meetings enhances the RC's ability to better coordinate programmes in Papua New Guinea and gain donor support as required.</p>	<p>RC took part in workshops for UNCP both externally and internally as well with other bilateral donor partners and government bodies</p>	<p>\$20,000.00</p>	<p>\$20,000.00</p>	
<p><a href="#">Considered staffing of RCS support</a></p>	<p>Resident Coordinators office is</p>	<p>Quality reports published on time; smooth</p>	<p>All UNCT, IAPC and Taskforce Briefs are</p>	<p>\$10,000.00</p>	<p>\$10,000.00</p>	

	equipped with stationary, office equipment and a small sundries budget to allow for efficient and timely support to the Resident Coordinator.	implementation of programmes and coordination meetings.	completed and shared with respective people.			
<a href="#">Considered training and other measures including knowledge networking, and involvement of non-resident agencies in national strategic planning processes</a>	IAPC members are knowledgeable of requirements of the new CCA/UNDAF and apply them to the process.	In-country workshops are organised to transfer knowledge of new UNDAF guidelines to the IAPC members and the consultant not attending the UNDAF orientation workshop;  The completion of the new CCA/UNDAF that meets all requirements and guidelines.	UNCP Workshop held in Crowne Plaza in April  Consultative workshop and meetings and retreats held with various levels of Government in the formulation of the UNCP.  - Lunch with Kambori & UNCT (UNCP) - Committee and Working Group Meetings to draft UNCP - Request for Participation of Governors for their input into UNCT - Training for UN Programme Staff - Base Document & GAP Analysis Prepared - Secretaries Retreat - HRBAP Retreat - Retreat defining UN Niche - Strategic	\$1,000.00	\$32,980.00	\$33,788.00

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IAPC members are knowledgeable of the Early Warning and Preventive Measures (EWPM).

All IAPC members have completed training in Early Warning and Preventive Measures.

Planning Retreat.

Training successfully held with all agencies represented.

\$25,000.00 \$13,232.00

\$25,000.00 \$16,500.00

[TOTAL](#)

Kindly submit total expenditures by clicking on the TOTAL link above

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## 2006 JOINT PROGRAMMES

Kindly provide information on new Joint Programmes that were developed and/or implemented in 2006.

Joint Programmes											
Title	Theme	Linkages to MDGs and UNDAF outcomes	Duration (from/to)	Fund management Modality	Manag. agent	Admin. agent	National or local partners and donors	Total budget	Financial contribution		
<a href="#">MDG Coordination and Implementation Programme</a>	MDGs	Support to the Government in the attainment of the MDGs. Focus is placed on improving provincial and district awareness, monitoring the 67 national indicators and costing.	2006 - 2008	Parallel Pulled	UNDP	UNDP	Department of National Planning and Monitoring and the National MDG Steering Committee (a committee with members from all key Government line agencies which support the attainment of MDGs)Guinea	\$2,172,000.00	UNDP	Pooled	\$320,000.00
									WHO	Pooled	\$100,000.00
									UNFPA	Parallel	\$107,000.00
									UNICEF	Pooled	\$95,000.00
									UNICEF	Parallel	\$640,000.00
									UNAIDS	Pooled	\$5,000.00
<a href="#">Enhancing Access to Justice</a>	Human Rights	The Enhancing Access to Justice Programme will provide capacity development opportunities to institutions, NGOs and CBOs working in the justice sector,	2007 - 2008	Parallel Pulled	UNDP	UNDP	Department for Community Development; Ombudsman Commission, Department of the Attorney General	\$390,000.00	UNDP		\$200,000.00
									UNICEF	Pooled	\$20,000.00
									UNFPA	Pooled	\$10,000.00
									Action II		\$60,000.00
									OHCHR-Funding for HR Advisor	(estimate)	\$100,000.00

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**2006 COORDINATION PRACTICES AND PROCEDURES**

UNCTs are required to identify and report one or two coordination initiatives that have particularly increased efficiency and effectiveness in the delivery and impact of UN development activities (e.g. achieving collective UNDAF results, UNCT engagement in the national development strategy/PRS, joint programmes, etc). These effective and/or innovative coordination practices can be shared with other UNCTs for potential replication. UNCTs can also report on coordination initiatives that have on the contrary increased the burden and transaction costs for UN agencies and national counterparts so that corrective measures can be taken. The feedback on coordination should be presented in the below format as to facilitate systematic comparison and learning of experiences.

Coordination practices and procedures		
CP	Results	Recommendations to DGO
<a href="#">The Inter-Agency</a>	Transaction costs: The cost-saving has not yet been determined.	A performance monitoring system

were able to work collectively to implement the UN coordination work plans, report progress to the UNCT monthly, and have been key to our successes in joint programming. In order to ensure greater participation and ownership, each of our Inter-Agency committees benefit from a chairperson whose function is rotated among the agencies every 6 months.

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## 2007 WORKPLAN

KEY RESULTS AREA		Expected Outputs	Performance Indicators	Actual Outputs at Year End	Funds required/spent at Year End							
					SRC		UNCCF		UN Agencies		Other	
					Required	Spent	Required	Spent	Required	Spent	Required	Spent
<b>Coordination for Results</b>												
UNCT Contribution to the National Development Plan/Poverty Reduction Strategy	UN Support to formulation/ Implementation of relevant national strategies or plans e.g. JAS/NDP/PRSP											
	UN Plan to support the implementation of the UNDG Action Plan on the Development Outcome of the World Summit (MDG Action Plan)*	The UN advocacy and awareness of MDG improves so that the MDGs and the associated 67 localized indicators are reflected and monitored in National, Provincial and District level planning documents and monitoring systems.	On-going press releases and advocacy materials produced on the MDGs; Provincial and District level governments are aware of MDGs and the goals are reflected in national planning documents and monitoring systems; Provincial and District level governments are monitoring the 67 localized indicators; MDG Steering Committee meetings and workshops are held as planned with full government participation; UN		0.00		1,000		277,777		1,005,000	

			has the technical expertise in house to assist Government in planning for and monitoring of the MDG indicators.									
	<a href="#">UN support to capacity development strategies</a>											
	<a href="#">UN assistance to national authorities for the preparation of the national report on the implementation of the Brussels Programme of Action of LDCs *</a>											
	<a href="#">Formulation/implementation of a transition plan or strategy</a>											
Aid Coordination/ Management/ Paris Declaration	Planned efforts to making use of national systems in the areas such as programme/ product reporting, PRS/sectoral monitoring and evaluation systems, annual PRS/sectoral performance reviews, national procurement systems, etc.											
	UN Support to aid coordination/management	Government of Papua New Guinea has a working, transparent and effective aid coordination, management and delivery system	1. Established linkages between the aid coordination office, other departmental units, relevant Government ministries, and donors 2. Established aid coordination and management processes and procedures 3. Strengthened human resource capacities in aid coordination office 4. Established Aid Information and		0.00		2,000		265,000			

			Grant Management System									
	UN support to aid coordination/management											
UNDAF/Common Programming	<a href="#">Efforts to align UN programme cycle with national development cycle</a> *	UNCP is submitted by deadline and accepted by HQ; UN staff are trained on UNCP implementation, management and monitoring.	UNCP Task Managers update the JPDs and utilize them to manage outcome areas of the UNDP.		0.00		10,000		20,000			
	<a href="#">Progress towards UNDAF outcomes (inputs provided by theme group chairs)</a>											
	<a href="#">UNDAF Annual Review/ UNDAF Evaluation</a> *	Preparation for the implementation of the UNCP in full consultation with the Government	A management and monitoring framework established for the UNCP.		0.00		0.00		3,000			
Joint Programmes	<a href="#">Preparation/implementation of new Joint Programmes</a>	A UN Joint Programme in Support of Human Rights in PNG is endorsed; M & E Programme continues building the national and provincial capacity to monitor the National response for HIV/AIDS; (MDG Joint Programme highlighted above); The Joint UN Project to Support Access to Justice (Human Rights) is endorsed and implementation begins in early 2007.	M & E Training continues in the 12 remaining provinces of PNG to build the national and provincial capacity to monitor the National response for HIV/AIDS; Access to Justice Programme is initiated and the OHCHR Human Rights Adviser is deployed to PNG to coordinate programmes.		0.00		0.00		80,000			
	<a href="#">M&amp;E of Joint Programmes</a> *	The M & E of Joint			0.00		0.00		379,679			

		Programmes is incorporated into the relevant project documents.										
HACT	<a href="#">Plan for the roll-out/implementation of HACT in the country</a>	Macro-Assessment carried out for HACT.	Macro-Assessment received and the office is able to put HACT in place by Jan 1 2008 in-line with our United Nations Country Programme.						10,504.72			
	<a href="#">Strengthening national systems/capacities through HACT *</a>	*** We are concentrating on the Macro-Assessment this year and ensuring the Government is fully aware of your plans for the roll out of HACT in 2008.					833.00		10,000			
Gender Equality	<a href="#">UN support to incorporation of gender equality in national planning processes (such as National Development Strategies; PRSPs; SWAPs; Joint Assistance Strategies, etc.)</a>	Rollout of the Women and Planners Leadership Development Programme (LDP); UNDP/CO Gender Mainstreaming instituted.	1. Recruitment of 1 international and 3 national coaches; 3 sessions of 4 days each conducted over 6-9 months; 2 x 6 days each sessions of Capacity Transfer Programme for national coaches training by the international coaches; 3 national sessions of new LDP participants for the new coaches to conduct under the international supervision; Breakthrough Initiative (BI) funds increased; Conduct number of meetings for the Steering LDP/BI Committee		0.00		0.00		150,000			



Humanitarian/Natural Disaster Operations	<a href="#">humanitarian operations *</a>	held.											
	<a href="#">Preparation of crisis prevention/natural disaster operations/plans</a>	Emergency IT and Telecoms Committee (EITC) in place and have proper equipment	EITC can respond to disasters and perform in the field with proper equipment										
	<a href="#">Contingency Plan initiatives</a>	Formulation and Operationalising of the National Contingency Pandemic Preparedness and Response Plan.	Plan is completed and ready for operationalisation.										
Common Services and Premises	<a href="#">Planned initiatives to increase cost-effectiveness of UN operations, incl. common administrative services and common arrangements in support of programme delivery (including Joint Office initiative)</a>	The United Nations Operations Committee will implement a Common Services Action Plan to fast track 5 priority areas for enhanced common services: Joint Procurement, UN House, Transport Fleet Management, Travel Desk/ Visa Services and Banking.	Office common services are as streamlined as possible with obvious evidence of reduced transaction costs.		5,000								
	<a href="#">Planned initiatives on common premises</a>												
UN Advocacy and Resource Mobilisation													
Joint UNCT Advocacy and Communications	<a href="#">Development/implementation of the UNCT communications/advocacy strategy &amp; plan</a>	UN PNG Website developed to increase awareness of the UN programmes, newsletters, equipment for media; Activities to be planned (Example: a calendar produced with winning posters from Human Rights Poster contest).	UN Website is established; newsletter disseminated; media equipment purchased and used to improve the media coverage on UN activities in PNG		16,833								

Joint UNCT Resource Mobilization Strategy	<a href="#">Development/implementation of RM strategy</a>												
Non-Resident UN Agencies													
Special measures to integrate non-resident UN agencies in UNCT processes	<a href="#">Supporting the Involvement of non-resident UN agencies in the national strategic planning processes/ UN programming</a>												
Coordination Capacity of the UNCT													
Strengthening UNCT Coordination Capacity	RCO Staffing	Efficient and effective support for the UN RC by a Coordination Specialist, Coordination Assistant, Communication Specialist (50%), UNCT Policy Adviser, and External Relations Adviser (50%).	Resident Coordinator is able to effectively and efficiently coordinate all UN inter-agency activities and programmes in the country.		35,167		32,334		102,000				
	<a href="#">Materials/Equipment</a>	The new OHCHR Human Rights Adviser and Programme Associate arrive in PNG have a fully functioning work space with computers, a shared printer and office supplies.	An effective OHCHR office is able to fulfill duties associated with his or her role. (Funding below includes cost-sharing for the salary of the staff).										
	<a href="#">Training of UN staff</a>	Inter-Agency Programme Committee is trained on Aid Effectiveness and Coordination; UN Operations Committee receive further training on the establishment of common services and joint offices; Workshops and Trainings for UN Staff and Government in	IAPC are able to lead staff within their individual agencies in the UN Reform. UNCT is represented by the RC or RCai at international and national events of relevance to the country (for example, a meeting with a Regional Director in Bangkok).		6,000								

		preparation for the implementation of the United Nations Country Programme (2008-2012); Travel by UNCT to RC activities domestically and internationally.										
TOTAL					64,000		51,167		1,297,607.72		1,005,000	