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Portfolio Committee: Report to the Board

*Twelfth Board Meeting
Marrakech, 15-16 December 2005*

- Decisions points relating to:
 - Extension of term of Vice-Chair of the TRP
 - Approval of additional alternate TRP members
 - Operationalization of Phase 2 “No Go” Procedures
 - No Cost Extensions at the end of the proposal completion date
- Brief update of matters currently under consideration by PC

TRP Matters: Extension of term of Vice-Chair

- In order to allow the Vice Chair to become Chair of the TRP, his term must be extended;
- This is to allow for continuity in the TRP;
- The decision point will enable the current Vice-Chair to serve as Chair during Rounds 7 & 8.

TRP Matters: Expansion of Alternates' Pool

- The profile of each round differs via-a-vis the types of applications received; this can require different TRP skills and profiles
- The TRP would like to call on assistance from an expanded pool of alternates to support the review process
- The TRP therefore seeks to expand by four the pool of alternates
- Use of alternates will be at the discretion of the Chair of the TRP

Proposed Decision Point: Technical Review Panel Membership



Decision Point 1:

Mindful of the current distribution of the geographic diversity of the Technical Review Panel pool, the Board requests the Portfolio Committee to recommend for approval at the 13th Board meeting one additional Alternate Member of the Technical Review Panel for each area of expertise (HIV/AIDS, tuberculosis, malaria and cross-cutting).

Decision Point 2:

The Board authorizes the Chair and Vice Chair of the Technical Review Panel to add temporarily up to four members, which shall be selected from existing Alternate Members, to the membership of the TRP for a given round of proposals, where appropriate in light of the number of proposals and their distribution among categories.

There are no material budgetary implications for this decision.

Background: Phase 2 Decision-Making Policies and Procedures



At its 11th Board Meeting the Board decided that:

“ In anticipation of a full review of the Phase 2 policies and procedures in 2006, the Board requests the Portfolio Committee to make recommendations with respect to the composition and functioning of the independent panels...and to present amended Phase 2 Policies and Procedures reflecting the process described in [the first part of the decision]”

Background: Phase 2 Decision-Making Policies and Procedures

As per the Board Mandate, the PC addressed the following:

- Composition of the Independent Panel
- Functioning of the Independent Panel
- Amended the Phase 2 Policies and Procedures

Background: Phase 2 Decision-Making Policies and Procedures

Summary of Composition of Independent Panel

- Two senior members supported by 1-2 analysts
- Conflict of interest should be considered
- Senior members should have solid understanding of country processes;
- Analysts should understand Global Fund principles and procedures;
- Pool of pre-qualified candidates to be identified through partners, including WHO, UNAIDS and the WB;
- A tentative list of candidates to be compiled based on these criteria;
- The list will be submitted to the Chair and Vice Chair of the Board and the Chair and Vice Chair of the PC.
- The Chair and Vice Chair of the Board in consultation with the Chair and Vice Chair of the PC will select the members of the Independent Panel;
- Panel members will be remunerated; and
- The Secretariat will facilitate the process.

Background: Phase 2 Decision-Making Policies and Procedures

Summary of Principles for Independent Panel's Scope of Work:

- The objective will be to submit conclusions to the Board based on all information from the CCM, PR, Secretariat and Board constituencies;
- The panel may carry out a field visit if deemed necessary
- The analysis should include
 - a chronology of information provided,
 - a typology of the content and
 - an analysis of the source and flow of information.
- The review should take into consideration different arguments, how they refer to each other, highlight areas of agreement and disagreement, and define the areas not previously addressed by the parties involved;
- The review should be submitted to Board no later than six weeks after receipt of the relevant information from the Secretariat.

Proposed Decision Point: Phase 2 Decision-Making Policies and Procedures



Decision Point:

The Board approves the document entitled “Phase 2 Decision-Making Policies and Procedures” included as Annex 1 to the Report of the Portfolio Committee (GF/B12/6) and as amended at the 12th Board Meeting and revokes all previously approved versions of such document.

Background: No Cost Extensions at end of Phase 2

Existing policy:

- The Board has already approved the possibility of providing no-cost extensions for **Phase 1** in exceptional circumstances.

Proposed policy:

- The PC believes that the Board may also provide the possibility of a no-cost extension for **Phase 2** in exceptional circumstances.

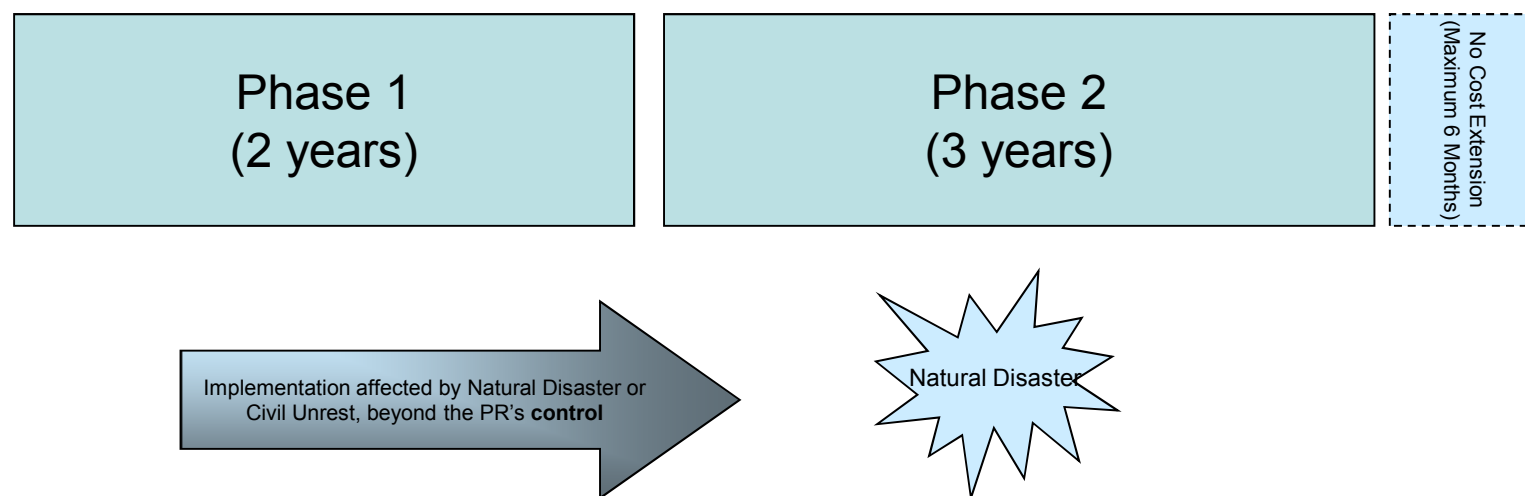
Background: No Cost Extensions at end of Phase 2

- To date, the board has approved 3 no-cost extensions at the end of Phase 2 on an ad-hoc basis and by vote:
 - 2 Sri Lanka Grants due to Tsunami and
 - 1 Cote D'Ivoire Grant due to civil unrest
- Introducing a policy would enable the no-cost extension policies for phase 1 and phase 2 to align and mirror one another.

Background: No Cost Extensions at end of Phase 2

The policy is designed to enable no-cost extensions of Phase 2 two circumstances:

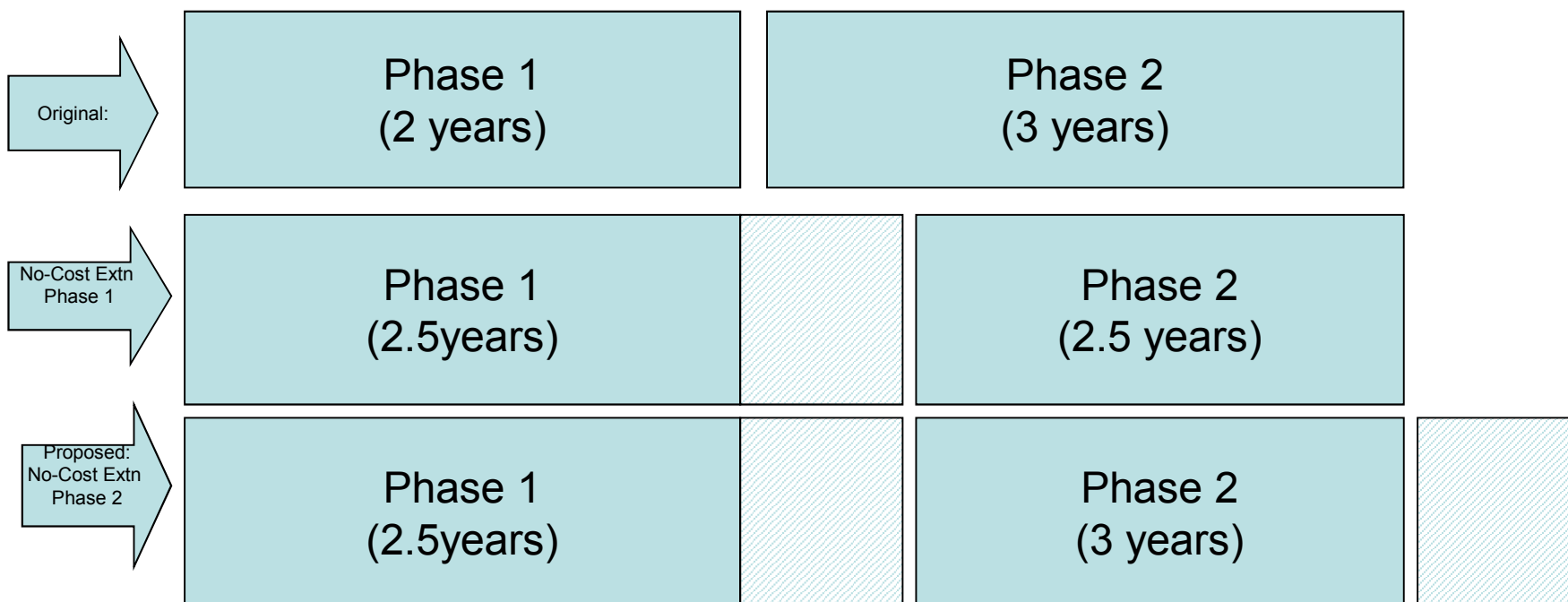
1. Exceptional circumstances in Phase 2: When the PR cannot use full grant amount due to exceptional and extenuating circumstances (eg civil unrest or natural disaster)



Background: No Cost Extensions at end of Phase 2

The policy is designed to enable no-cost extensions of Phase 2 two circumstances:

2. Previous No-Cost Extension: A previous No-Cost extension has effectively shortened the Phase 2 duration



Proposed Decision: No Cost Extensions at end of Phase 2

Decision Point 1:

The Board authorizes the Secretariat to extend the Phase 2 term of Grant Agreements by up to six months, without committing any additional funding, in circumstances where the Principal Recipient is prevented, due to exceptional circumstances, from using the full amount of Grant funds during the Phase 2 term.

Decision Point 2:

The Board decides that in circumstances where the term of a Phase 1 Grant Agreement has been extended in accordance with paragraph 4 of the Phase 2 Decision-Making Policies and Procedures attached as Annex 1 of the Report of the Portfolio Committee (GF/B12/6) (a “Phase 1 Extension”), the Secretariat may extend the Phase 2 term of Grant Agreements by up to an equal length of time as the Phase 1 Extension without committing any additional funding.

The Secretariat shall inform the Board immediately upon taking action under Decision Point 1 and 2.

There are no material budgetary implications for this decision.

Conclusion

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Decision Points to be decided upon by Board members