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TECHNICAL EVALUATION REFERENCE GROUP (TERG) SELF-ASSESSMENT

OUTLINE:

This paper and the Attachment 1 present the TERG Self-Assessment for Board information and discussion. The report provides an assessment of the TERG's performance to date and proposes recommendations for a possible evolution of the TERG's future role, objectives and mode of operation.

1. The TERG informed the Board at its Eighteenth Meeting that it would undertake a self-assessment upon completion of the Five-Year Evaluation, in its commitment to quality management and continuous improvement. The assessment was conducted from May to July 2009 and is appended to this paper as Attachment 1.
2. At the Nineteenth Board Meeting, the Global Fund Board requested 'the Chair of the Board, in consultation with Committee Chairs, to set up a small ad-hoc committee by 30 June 2009 with the specific task of assisting the Board, through the PSC, to... further define the role of the TERG in relation to independent evaluations, the resources required and Board oversight of the process' (Decision Point GF/B19/DP29).
3. In reviewing this decision the Chair of the Board, Mr. Rajat Gupta, before leaving office determined that the best way to address this matter would be to delegate it to the Policy and Strategy Committee and form a sub-committee of the PSC. Mr. Gupta also discussed this matter with the Chair of the PSC who agreed to prepare for such a sub-committee and also agreed to Chair the sub-committee. It was also recognized that both FAC and PIC should be represented on sub-committee.
4. The report presented in Attachment 1 is intended to inform the work of this sub-committee and the discussions of the PSC and the Board.
5. The TERG's self-assessment is supplemented by comments and observations from representatives of the Global Fund Secretariat, Board, Committees and other external stakeholders. The report summarizes the TERG's experience, challenges and achievements, while maintaining a forward looking perspective. Specific recommendations are proposed for a possible evolution of the TERG's future role, objectives and mode of operation, to enable a detailed discussion of the issues and relevant recommendations to be presented to the Board.
6. It is anticipated that the sub-committee will discuss the models presented, and based on this preparatory work, the PSC and Board will then discuss these options, and also possibly variations of the models. In reflecting on the best way forward, these options should be considered carefully in light of the Global Fund's primary purposes and objectives for undertaking evaluations and the priorities of its key stakeholders as detailed in Attachment 1.

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