

MEMORANDUM



between the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Belarus and the United Nations Development Programme on the extension of the implementation period of the international technical assistance project "Assisting the Government of the Republic of Belarus in Accession to the World Trade Organization through Strengthening National Institutional Capacity and Expertise"

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The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Belarus and the United Nations Development Programme (hereinafter referred to as "Parties"),

Implementing the international technical assistance project "Assisting the Government of the Republic of Belarus in Accession to the World Trade Organization through Strengthening National Institutional Capacity and Expertise", registered on 01.03.2008 No. 2/08/000361 in the database of technical assistance programmes and projects (hereinafter referred to as "Project");

Considering the accession of the Republic of Belarus to the World Trade Organization is a tool to accelerate its integration into the multilateral trading system as well as optimize foreign trade structure and is a value added incentive to the economic development of the Republic of Belarus;

Considering the implementation of the Project aims to implement paragraphs 4 and 5 of the Memorandum of Understanding on Accession to the World Trade Organization signed by the Heads of the Republic of Belarus and of the Russian Federation on 19 December 2011 in Moscow;

Based on the outcomes of the first, second, third and fourth phases of the Project;

In compliance with the need for sustainable and effective assistance to the Government of the Republic of Belarus in accession to the World Trade Organization;

Agreed as follows:

1. Parties extend the implementation period of the Project in a format of the fifth phase till 31 December 2020 with no changes to Project goal and objectives stated in the Project Document.

2. The Government of the Russian Federation (hereinafter referred to as "Project Donor") finances the fifth phase of the Project to the total amount of USD 592,503. This amount also includes the costs of services provided by UNDP country office as a part of the Project Budget.

3. The UNDP country office may provide support services for the implementation of Project activities in accordance with the Project work plan and Annex 1 attached to the current Memorandum.

4. The fifth phase of the Project is implemented in line with the Project Document, the current Memorandum with its Annex 1, and attached Budget of the fifth phase of the Project.

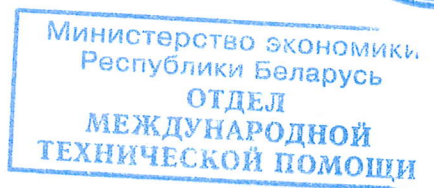
5. UNDP services mentioned in para. 3 of the current Memorandum will be covered solely from respective Project Budget lines and according to the Project work plan. In case the terms of the services provision are amended by mutual agreement of UNDP and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Belarus during the project implementation correspondent amendments shall be made to Project work plan and Budget. In case of substantive amendments to the Project work plan and Budget, they should be approved by the Project Donor.

Signed in Minsk on 28 February 2018 in 2 copies, each in the Russian and English languages.

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ANNEX 1. Provision of UNDP country office support services in execution of the project "Assisting the Government of the Republic of Belarus in Accession to the World Trade Organization through Strengthening National Institutional Capacity and Expertise (Phase 5)"

The UNDP country office may provide at the request of the Implementing Partner the following support services for the activities of the project:

- Payments and other financial transactions;
- Recruitment of project personnel and consultants;
- Procurement of goods and services;
- Organization of training activities, conferences and workshops.

The procurement of goods and services and the recruitment of project personnel and consultants by the UNDP country office shall be in accordance with the UNDP rules and procedures.

The support services provided by the UNDP country office shall be in accordance with the UNDP rules and procedures. Direct project costs incurred with regards to UNDP support services are to be recovered to UNDP.

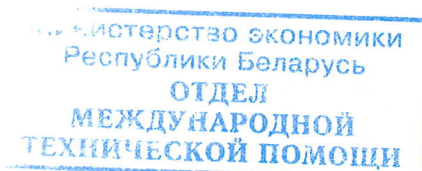
Pursuant to the relevant provisions of the Standard Basic Assistance Agreement between the Government of Belarus and UNDP, signed on 24 September 1992, and provisions of the project document, the provisions on liability and privileges and immunities shall apply. The Government shall retain overall responsibility for the nationally managed project by the Implementing Partner. The responsibility of the UNDP for the provision of the support to the Implementing Partner shall be limited to the services detailed in the table below. Any claim or dispute arising under or in connection with the provision of support by the UNDP shall be handled pursuant to the relevant provisions of the Standard Basic Assistance Agreement.

The UNDP country office shall provide support at the request of the Implementing Partner as described in the table below.

Actual staff cost method is applied, when the UNDP country office charges the project for provided services based on actual number of hours worked by UNDP staff directly for the activities of the project, and actual total hourly cost. At the same time, the UNDP pricelist of services is not used for this project.

List of the support services, cost and method are described in the table below. If the requirements for support services change during the project term, the annex may be revised with the mutual agreement of the UNDP Resident Representative and the Implementing Partner.

International Public Sector Accounting Standards are financial reporting standards used in UNDP.



*Description of UNDP Country Office Support Services
in execution of the project "Assisting the Government of the Republic of Belarus
in Accession to the World Trade Organization through Strengthening National Institutional Capacity
and Expertise (Phase 5)"*

Support Services	Schedule for the provision of the support services	Cost to UNDP for providing such support services	Amount and method of reimbursement to the UNDP
Processing of payments and other financial transactions	Based on request and Project work plan	Cost of dedicated staff based on number of actual hours of work	Project budget lines 1.3, 2.4, 3.2
Procurement of goods and services	Based on request and Project work plan	Cost of dedicated staff based on number of actual hours of work	Project budget lines 1.3, 2.4, 3.2
Staff and consultants' selection and recruitment process	Based on request and Project work plan	Cost of dedicated staff based on number of actual hours of work	Project budget lines 1.3, 2.4, 3.2
Travel arrangements	Based on request and Project work plan	Cost of dedicated staff based on number of actual hours of work	Project budget lines 1.3, 2.4, 3.2
Administrative support service (pouch service, visa support, customs clearance, etc.)	Based on request and Project work plan	Cost of dedicated staff based on number of actual hours of work	Project budget lines 1.3, 2.4, 3.2
IT support service	Based on request and Project work plan	Cost of dedicated staff based on number of actual hours of work	Project budget lines 1.3, 2.4, 3.2
Programme Unit's support services	Based on request and Project work plan	Cost of dedicated staff based on number of actual hours of work	Project budget lines 1.3, 2.4, 3.2