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Minister Marija Pejčinović Burić Minister of Foreign and European Affairs Government of Croatia

Dear Minister Pejčinović Burić,

We welcome the Government of Croatia's participation in the Open Government Partnership (OGP), which now has 74 countries and 15 subnational pioneers working to implement open government commitments to promote greater transparency, accountability, and engagement of citizens in policy making.

As you are aware, the OGP Articles of Governance state that all participating countries are expected to: Make concrete commitments, as part of a country action plan, that are ambitious and go beyond a country's current practice. All OGP participating governments are expected to develop National Action Plans that specify concrete commitments over a two-year period.

Countries that are more than four months late in submitting their National Action Plan (NAP) will be considered to have acted contrary to OGP process for that action plan cycle. As of October 31, 2017, the Government of Croatia had not submitted its new NAP, four months after the deadline of June 30, 2017. This letter is therefore to inform you that, according to OGP policies, the Government of Croatia has now acted contrary to the OGP process for two consecutive action plan cycles. A copy of the previous letter notifying the Government of Croatia of this occurrence is enclosed for your records.

In line with OGP procedures, the Support Unit will refer the Government of Croatia to the Criteria and Standards Subcommittee of the OGP Steering Committee to review Croatia's participation in OGP. We encourage the Government of Croatia to swiftly respond with an update on the latest developments regarding the OGP process and action plan development in the country, so as to inform the Criteria and Standards Subcommittee in their deliberations.

The OGP Support Unit and Steering Committee stand ready to support the Government of Croatia so that Croatia can re-engage in the OGP process and finalize the Action Plan. Please do not hesitate to contact the OGP Support Unit if you require any assistance.

Yours sincerely,

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