



6 December 2017

Minister Yaw Osafo-Marfo  
Senior Minister  
Government of Ghana

Dear Minister Yaw Osafo-Marfo,

We welcome the Government of Ghana'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, Ghana had not submitted its third NAP, four months after the deadline of June 30, 2017. The third NAP was only received by the OGP Support Unit in November 2017. This letter is therefore to inform you that the Government of Ghana acted contrary to the OGP process for this action plan development cycle.

We recommend that Ghana completes and publishes all future NAPs on time in order to avoid a future review by the Criteria and Standards subcommittee.

The OGP Support Unit and Steering Committee stand ready to support you in whatever way would be useful. Please do not hesitate to contact the OGP Support Unit if you require any assistance.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Sanjay Pradhan", is positioned above the printed name.

Sanjay Pradhan  
Chief Executive Officer  
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