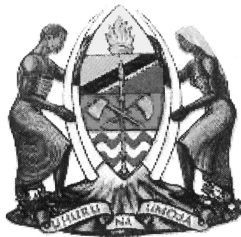


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10th June, 2014

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Dear Madam,

Re: **ELECTION TO THE OPEN GOVERNMENT STEERING COMMITTEE**

Kindly refer to the subject above.

The United Republic of Tanzania joined the Open Government Partnership (OGP) in September 2011 and has been a member of the OGP Steering Committee since its inception. Tanzania is also an active member of the Subcommittee on Criteria and Standards.

Tanzania's commitment to the success of the OGP is ensured at the highest level as confirmed by H.E. the President of the United Republic of Tanzania himself. In his keynote address in Brasilia, Brazil in April, 2012, he promised that Tanzania will live up to the expectations of the Partnership. This message was reiterated in his speech at the plenary of the OGP Conference in London in October, 2013 where he elaborated the value of the OGP dynamics and reaffirmed the OGP of Tanzania's commitment.

So far, we have accomplished the following;

1. The country's first OGP Action Plan has been partially implemented. Focus was on three service delivery areas of Health, Water and Education.
2. Action Plan and Self Assessment Report were published on both International and National OGP website on time.
3. The second two year OGP Tanzania Action Plan which is to be implemented as from July, 2014 is underway, the intention is to broaden and deepen citizen's participation.

4. As part of our obligation, we have made a partial contribution towards the costs of the Support Unit operations and we are currently in the process of finalizing the balance.
5. Tanzania has actively participated in two Regional meetings held in Pretoria, South Africa and Mombasa, Kenya respectively during which experiences for better implementation of OGP activities in the respective countries were shared.
6. The Minister mandated to oversee OGP activities in Tanzania has attended and actively participated in all the Steering Committee meetings. Thus the highest level of Government was represented.
7. Tanzania has and will continue to act in accordance with the Open Government Declaration.

The following are contact details of the Minister and key staff who will support Governments participation in the OGP Steering Committee.

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This is our formal request for election to the Steering Committee for a second term. We strongly believe that based on our experience as current Steering Committee members, we can play an active role in building the momentum and growth of this very important initiative. Tanzania will continue to devote staff and resources in line with OGP expectations.

Sincerely,



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