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**General Director of the National Authority for Transparency and Access to Information
Government of Panama**

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Dear General Director Fernandez,

We welcome the Government of Panama's participation in the Open Government Partnership (OGP), which now comprises 78 countries working to implement open government commitments to promote greater transparency, accountability and citizen engagement in policy making.

Last year, the Government of Panama requested to be shifted to the even-year cohort of OGP participants due to the political transition that took place. As a result, Panama has been shifted from the "odd year" to the "even year" cohort of OGP participants, and considered to have started a new action plan cycle with a deadline of 31 August 2020 to submit its action plan. This letter is to kindly remind you that failure to deliver the action plan by this new deadline would result in Panama having acted contrary to OGP process for two consecutive cycles, and therefore would be placed under 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 in the finalization of your Action Plan.

Yours sincerely,



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Chief Executive Officer
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