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Dear Co-Chairs,

I hereby inform you that Montenegro, as a member of the Open Government Partnership global initiative, is willing to ask for a two-month extension of the deadline for passing the Action Plan, at the same time guaranteeing that the Government of Montenegro will adopt the Action Plan within that period.

I would also like to inform you that the Government has established the Ministry of Public Administration that will be crucial for the efficient implementation of the measures set out in the Action Plan that fully comply with our public administration reform plan.

The Office of the Prime Minister will take part in the work of the Operational Team, and Montenegro, as the leader of European policies in the region, will remain honestly committed to all the Open Government Partnership's policies.

Given the fact that Montenegro is one of the few countries where half of the members of the OGP Operational Team are representatives of the civil society and that the new Law on NGOs has been recently passed, I am convinced that the Action Plan will be effectively implemented.

Yours faithfully,

Duško Marković