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Hanke Bruins Slot Minister of the Interior and Kingdom Relations Government of Netherlands

Dear Minister Slot,

We welcome the Government of the Netherlands' participation in the Open Government Partnership (OGP), which now comprises 76 countries and 106 local governments working to implement open government commitments to promote greater transparency, accountability and citizen engagement in policy-making.

As you are aware, all OGP participating governments are expected to co-create an Action Plan outlining a concrete set of open government reforms, in line with OGP Participation and Co-Creation standards.

As foreshadowed in earlier communication with officers from your Ministry late last year, I confirm that since the OGP Support Unit did not receive a new action plan from the Netherlands by the deadline of December 31, 2022, the Netherlands has acted contrary to the OGP process for the 2022-2024 cycle, and is considered to have started a new action plan cycle.

I understand that while the deadline was not met, the Netherlands has indeed commenced a process to co-create a wide-ranging action plan, and intends to submit this well in advance of the deadline of December 31, 2023.

I have every confidence that the steps you have taken will result in a robust co-creation process and action plan - but do note that failure to meet this deadline of December 31, 2023 would result in the Netherlands acting contrary to OGP process for a second consecutive cycle, and being automatically placed under Procedural Review by the Criteria & Standards Subcommittee.

The OGP Support Unit and Steering Committee stand ready to support you during the implementation of your current action plan and the development of your next one to make sure all requirements are met.

Yours sincerely,

Sanjay Pradhan Chief Executive Officer

