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**SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR SUPPORT TO VALIDATE THE COSTING OF THE NATIONAL HEALTH STRATEGIC PLAN 2006-2010 AND ASSESSMENT OF THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING**

With reference to the above-mentioned subject.

This serves to inform you that the Ministry of Health in Zambia has requested World Health Organisation to facilitate the engagement of consultants from WHO/AFRO regional office to support them in validating the costing of the National Health Strategic Plan 2006-2010.

Following the IHP Conference, that was recently held in Lusaka the Ministry has also requested that consultants be engaged by W.H.O to help assess the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between Ministry of Health and its Cooperating Partners in line with the desired tenets of the International Health Partnerships (IHP) Compact.

Attached herewith is a letter from the Ministry of Health for your ease of reference.

With best regards.

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13<sup>th</sup> March, 2008

Dr. Olusegun Babaniyi  
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Dear Dr. Babaniyi,

**RE: REQUEST FOR SUPPORT TO VALIDATE THE COSTING OF  
NATIONAL HEALTH STRATEGIC PLAN 2006 - 2010 AND  
ASSESSMENT OF THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING.**

Being a signatory to the International Health Partnerships and in our desire to attain the health related MDGs by the 2015, Ministry of Health is of the desire that the costing element of the National Health Strategic Plan 2006-2010 be reviewed and validated by a team of experts from WHO so that the plan can include globally agreed on planning assumptions, simulations and any other scenarios that may be deemed necessary in costing a Strategic Plan such as ours.

In this regard, I would like to request your office to facilitate the engagement of Consultants from WHO/AFRO regional office to support us validate the costing of our National Health Strategic Plan as well as the Assessment of the Memorandum for Understanding between Ministry of Health and its Cooperating Partners in line with the desired tenets of the International Health Partnerships (IHP) Compact. The validation of the costing of our National Health Strategic Plan 2006-2010 should be undertaken during the Mid Term Review of the National Health Strategic Plan, which will start on 1<sup>st</sup> July and complete on 21<sup>st</sup> July 2008. We would be most grateful if the consultants that will validate the costing of our National Health Strategic Plan can also undertake a comprehensive Mid Term Review of the Health Care Financing chapter of our 2006 -2010 National Health strategic Plan.

With respect to review of our MoU, this activity should commence, immediately as it is urgent.

The Ministry of Health avails itself of this opportunity to renew to your Excellency Assurances of the highest consideration.

Yours sincerely,



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**MINISTRY OF HEALTH**