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UN WOMEN REGIONAL OFFICE IN EGYPT

Spring Forward for Women: Regional Programme for the Economic and Political Empowerment of Women in the Southern Mediterranean Region (Directly Implemented Project No. 84413)

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Report on the Audit of UN Women Regional Office in Egypt Spring Forward for Women: Regional Programme for the Economic and Political Empowerment of Women in the Southern Mediterranean Region (Project No. 84608) Executive Summary

The UNDP Office of Audit and Investigations (OAI), through KPMG SA (the audit firm), conducted from 12 June to 20 August 2017 an audit of Spring Forward for Women: Regional Programme for the Economic and Political Empowerment of Women in the Southern Mediterranean Region, Project No. 84413 (the Project), which is directly implemented and managed by the UN Women Regional Office in Egypt (the Office). This was the first audit of the Project.

The audit firm conducted a financial audit to express an opinion on whether the financial statements present fairly, in all material aspects, the Project's operations. The audit covered the Project's Trial Balance Report, which included expenditure for the period from 1 January to 31 December 2016 and the Statement of Assets as of 31 December 2016. The audit did not include expenditures processed and approved outside of the country (such as by the UN Women Regional Centres and UN Women Headquarters).

The audit was conducted under the general supervision of OAI in conformance with the *International Standards* for the Professional Practice of Internal Auditing.

Audit results

Based on the audit report submitted by the audit firm, the results are summarized in the table below:

Project Expenditure*		Project Assets	
Amount (in \$ '000)	Opinion	Amount (in \$'000)	Opinion
1,511	Unqualified	1	Unqualified

^{*} Expenditures recorded in the Project Trial Balance were \$1,690,845. Excluded from the audit scope were transactions that relate to expenditures processed and approved by other UN Women offices outside of the country (\$180,302).

The audit did not result in any recommendations.

Management comments

Management comments and/or additional information provided have been incorporated into the report, where appropriate.

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