

Electronic Report to the Board

Report of the Secretariat's Grant Approvals Committee

GF/B36/ER06
Board Decision

PURPOSE: This document proposes one decision point as follows:

1. GF/B36/EDP06: Decision on the Secretariat's Recommendation on Additional Funding for Unfunded Quality Demand from the 2014 – 2016 Allocation Period¹

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¹ Total incremental amount is US\$6,000,000.



I. Decision Points

1. Based on the rationale described in Section IV below, the following electronic decision points are recommended to the Board:

1.1 Set forth below is the Secretariat's recommendation to approve additional funding up to an amount of US\$6,000,000.

Decision Point: GF/B36/EDPo6: Decision on the Secretariat's Recommendation on Additional Funding from the 2014 Allocation

The Board:

1. *Approves the incremental funding recommended for each country disease component, and its constituent grants, as listed in Table 1 of Section IV to GF/B36/ERO6 ("Table 1");*
2. *Acknowledges each country disease component's constituent grants will be implemented by the proposed Principal Recipients listed in Table 1, or any other Principal Recipient(s) deemed appropriate by the Secretariat in accordance with Global Fund policies;*
3. *Approves the additional funding for the South Africa TB/HIV program and its resultant total program budget, as listed in Table 1;*
4. *Affirms the incremental funding approved under this decision (a) increases the upper-ceiling amount that may be available for the relevant implementation period of each country disease component's constituent grants, (b) is subject to the availability of funding, and (c) shall be committed in annual tranches; and*
5. *Delegates to the Secretariat authority to redistribute the overall upper-ceiling of funding available for each country disease component among its constituent grants, provided that the Technical Review Panel (the "TRP") validates any redistribution that constitutes a material change from the program and funding request initially reviewed and recommended by the TRP.*

This decision does not have material budgetary implications for the 2017 Operating Expenses Budget.

II. Relevant Past Decisions

1. Pursuant to the Governance Plan for Impact as approved at the Thirty-Second Board Meeting,² the following summary of relevant past decision points is submitted to contextualize the decision points proposed in Section I above.

Relevant Past Decision Point	Summary and Impact
GF/B34/EDP16 and GF/B36/EDPo4: Decision on the Secretariat's Recommendation on Additional Funding from the 2014 Allocation	This decision point refers to the funding recommendation with regards to the South Africa TB/HIV grants and reinvestment of efficiencies approved by the Board on 24 March 2016 and 23 December 2016, respectively.

III. Action Required

1. The Board is requested to consider and approve the decision points recommended in Section I above.
2. Please find here a list of documents provided per disease component to substantiate the Board decision. All relevant documents containing the Secretariat's reason for its recommendations to the Board and the Funding Requests/comments have been posted on the Governance Extranet available at this [link](#).
 - a. Concept Note
 - b. Concept Note Review and Recommendation Form
 - c. Grant Confirmation
 - d. TRP Clarification Form (applicable only if the TRP requested clarifications)

² GF/B32/DP05: Approval of the Governance Plan for Impact as set forth in document GF/B32/o8 Revision 2 (<http://www.theglobalfund.org/Knowledge/Decisions/GF/B32/DP05/>)

IV. Summary of the deliberations of the Secretariat's Grant Approvals Committee

Table 1: Secretariat's Funding Recommendation on Additional Funding for Previously-Approved Programs from the 2014 – 2016 Allocation Period

N	Applicant	Disease Component	Grant Name	Currency	Previously Approved Grant Budget	Revised Budget for Board Approval	Original Existing Funding	Additional Existing Funding	Incremental Funding Already Approved	Additional Incremental Funding for Board Approval	Source of Recommended Additional Funding	Total Additional Incremental Funding for Board Approval	Revised Unfunded Quality Demand
1	South Africa	TB/HIV	ZAF-C-NACOSA	US\$	47,926,551	47,926,551 ³	15,113,950	0	29,874,215	3,158,925	Private Donor	6,000,000	16,346,213
			ZAF-C-AFSA		16,383,562	19,224,637	0	0	16,383,562	2,841,075			

³ The budget reflects the original approved budget amount of US\$44,988,165, the signed budget amount of US\$43,478,862, the reinvestment of savings of US\$1,288,764 approved by the Board (GF/B36/ER04), and the private donor investment of \$3,158,925 of additional incremental funding recommended by the GAC for Board approval, to bring the total grant budget up to the budget ceiling previously approved by the Board (GF/B36/ER04).

01 Summary of the Deliberations of the Secretariat's Grant Approvals Committee (GAC) on Funding Recommendations

Introductions

In this report, the GAC recommends, for Board approval, US\$6 million for the South Africa TB/HIV program's gender based violence intervention that had been registered as unfunded quality demand (UQD). The additional funding comes from a private donor's contribution, which the GAC endorsed during its 6 October 2016 meeting. The funding recommendation is presented to the Board following signature of the legal agreement with the private foundation donor, which was finalized in mid-December 2016. The private foundation donor has requested that their investment remain anonymous and is therefore not referred to by name in the GAC's recommendation for the Board approval. Investments build on the South Africa TB/HIV program grants previously approved by the Board in GF/B34/EDP16 and GF/B36/EDP04.

South Africa TB/HIV Grants: AIDS Foundation of South Africa (ZAF-C-AFSA) and Networking HIV/AIDS Community of South Africa (ZAF-C-NACOSA)

1.1 Increase in program budget. The GAC recommends for Board approval an increase in the final grant amount for the South Africa TB/HIV grants ZAF-C-AFSA and ZAF-C-NACOSA to incorporate a private donor contribution toward the program's unfunded quality demand (UQD). The private donor has signed an agreement to contribute US\$6 million towards South Africa's TB/HIV program which will fund services for survivors of gender based violence (GBV) in South Africa as listed in the UQD Register. This additional amount would increase the total budget beyond the incremental amount previously approved by the Board on 24 March 2016 (GF/B34/EDP16). For ZAF-C-NACOSA, the additional incremental funding brings the total grant budget up to the budget ceiling previously approved by the Board as part of the reinvestment of savings (GF/B36/EDP04). This represents the third private-donor investment in the UQD Register since publication.

1.2 Strategic focus of private donor investment. The additional funding will support the two Principal Recipients in delivering a comprehensive package of services for victims of rape and sexual violence in 11 prioritized Thuthuzela Care Centres, which offer services and shelter to the survivors of GBV. The two Principal Recipients will deliver gender-based interventions with an integrated approach to treatment and care for gender-based and intimate partner violence survivors, with a focus on young women and girls and other key populations. With additional funds, the following targets will be reached:

- Increasing the number of gender-based and intimate partner violence survivors provided with service packages by 66,922 people, reaching a total of 248,550 gender-based and intimate partner violence survivors;
- Increasing the number of gender-based and intimate partner violence survivors provided with HIV testing and counseling by 46,338 people, reaching a total of 159,966 survivors;

1.3 Implementation arrangements. In order to maintain the geographic division of work between Principal Recipients of the South Africa TB/HIV program, two Principal Recipients, AIDS Foundation of South Africa (AFSA) and Networking HIV/AIDS Community of South Africa (NACOSA) will receive funding through this additional investment. This arrangement will allow the Principal Recipients to continue with the already provisioned for financial and human resources to manage programs, work with the current set of sub-recipients, and take advantage of the Principal Recipients' established relations with stakeholders in their respective provinces.

V. Additional Matters

01 Extensions Approved by the Secretariat Pursuant to Its Delegated Authority

The Secretariat hereby notifies the Board that it has approved extensions to the grants listed in Table 2 below in accordance with the Board decision GF/B31/DP12.

02 Summary of the Deliberations of the Secretariat's Grant Approvals Committee (GAC) on Grant Extensions

Macedonia HIV grant: The Ministry of Health (MKD-H-MOH)

1.4 Rationale for extension. The GAC approved a six-month non-costed extension to 30 June 2017 to ensure smooth transition of the Global Fund supported activities under the HIV program in the Republic of Macedonia. The current grant ended on 31 December 2016 and the country is not eligible for any further Global Fund allocation. The Republic of Macedonia is currently finalizing the transition activities under the Global Fund approved Transition Action Plan, and therefore, the requested extension would allow sufficient time for implementation of delayed activities within this Transition Action Plan to ensure smooth transition and inclusion of the activities into the national budget.

1.5 Strategic focus of the program. The Macedonia HIV program seeks to further develop and focus the national response to HIV/AIDS, with an overall goal of maintaining low HIV prevalence by scaling up focused interventions and using an integrated and community-oriented approach to secure sustainability of services and uninterrupted implementation of prevention interventions among the most-at-risk populations, including community HIV testing to people who inject drugs, men who have sex with men and sex workers. The scope of activities during the extension period will be the continuation of existing and delayed activities and will allow the Principal Recipient and civil society organizations to work with the new government, elected in December 2016. The Principal Recipient and civil society organizations will work to obtain the official approval of social contracting mechanisms and ensure the full take-over of grant supported interventions starting from 1 July 2017.

Table 2: Grant Extensions Approved by the Secretariat

N	Applicant	Disease Component	Grant Name	Currency	Period of Extension (Months)	Additional Funding
1	Macedonia	HIV/AIDS	MKD-H-MOH	€	6	0

03 Updates and Reconciliations to Previous Reports to the Board

The Secretariat hereby notifies the Board of non-material updates and reconciliations to previous reports to the Board, of which the details are shown in Table 6 below.

Table 3: Amendments to Previous Reports

Applicant	Component	Grant name	GAC report reference	Issue	Original text and source	Correct information
Alliance Nationale Contre le SIDA (ANCS)	HIV/AIDS	QPF-C-ANCS	GF/B35/E R16	Currency denomination	Incremental amount to be approved by the Board was incorrectly denominated in US Dollars as US\$5,892,274	Actual incremental amount to be approved by the Board is denominated in Euros as €5,892,274

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