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SUBJECT: Clarifications of Angola Proposal for IPV introduction.

Dear Madam,

On behalf of the Angolan Government, let me thank GAVI for the continued support we have been receiving for the introduction of new vaccines and for the support given in the planning of Graduation Plan 2015-2017 that will contribute for sustainability of Immunization Programme.

Reference is made to the letter 2014-075 dated on December 12th, 2014 we would like to respond the questions and recommendations raised in relation to the application for IPV introduction in Angola:

Recommendation number 1

We agreed with the recommendation to postpone the IPV introduction to the second half of 2015 (July).

Recommendation number 2

We strongly agreed with the need to establish a NITAG group in order to assist the Ministry of Health in global immunization decision making process. During recent (October 2014) GAVI Graduation Mission the SIVAC consultants assessed the actual situation and prepared activities incorporated in the GAVI graduation plan. The SIVAC consultants will give technical assistance to Angola during 2015-2017 in order to establish and strengthen national NITAG Group.

Recommendation number 3

Regarding the procurement system of new vaccines, the Ministry of Health agrees to continue to use the UNICEF procurement mechanism even after the GAVI graduation period, in order to guarantee the sustainability of vaccine supply.

Recommendation number 4

Countrywide Demographic and Health Survey (DHIS) will be implemented by the National Institute of Statistics during the first quarter of 2015. This survey will be supported by USG and UN Agencies.

Best Regards.

OFFICE OF THE MINISTER OF HEALTH, IN LUANDA JANUARY 9th, 2015

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH

Dr. José Vieira Dias Van-Dúnem

Annex: Updated chronogram of activities for IPV introduction into the Angolan EPI Programme.

