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Minister of Health
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Bhutan

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Information Letter: Outcome of Independent Review Committee, PCV AMC Tail Price Application to Gavi, the Vaccine Alliance

Honourable Minister,

I am writing in relation to Bhutan's request to access the Advance Market Commitment (AMC) Tail Price for pneumococcal conjugate vaccines (PCV), which was submitted to the Gavi Secretariat in June 2018.

The Independent Review Committee (IRC) met in July 2018 to consider new applications. With respect to Bhutan's request, the IRC recommended approval for the PCV AMC tail price as set out in the IRC report attached as Appendix A.

Based on the IRC's evaluation no issues were identified to be addressed.

UNICEF Supply Division will assess the supply implications, including whether the volume requested can be supplied through existing contractual agreements, or whether it triggers a new Call for Supply Offer. After the outcome of the supply assessment has been communicated, the Ministry of Health and Gavi Alliance Partners in Bhutan are then expected to work directly with UNICEF Supply Division for procurement of vaccines and devices and development of the shipment plan.

Please do not hesitate to contact me at dgehl@gavi.org if you have any questions or concerns.

Yours sincerely,



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Encl.: Appendix A: IRC Report