Management Response to the Report of the Audit Advisory Committee for the period 1 January to 31 December 2017

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Regional architecture and organizational matters

In line with the Committee’s recommendations, UN-Women is…

- refining its country office typology, taking into account outcomes of the repositioning of the UN Development System;
- assessing and monitoring structures to support the Second Line of Defense function at the Headquarters and field levels;
- strengthening the ethics function by establishing HR Business Partner positions in regional offices;
- enhancing career development, performance management and a more inclusive environment for staff with disabilities.
Programme activities

• Integration between the Results Management System and the Enterprise Resource Planning System UN Women enables tracking of budgets and expenditures against results

• Enhancement of mandatory risk registers for all offices/units and of Enterprise Risk Management at the corporate level

• Outstanding partner advances reduced by 59%

• 73% decrease in non-compliant financially closed projects through automation and trainings.
Funding framework and resource mobilization

• New Corporate Resource Mobilization and Partnership Strategy 2018-2021 with clear targets, timelines, roles and responsibilities

• Innovative funding approaches, joint programming and pooled funding;

• Customer Relationship Management System

• Strengthened engagement with the private sector and with National Committees
Internal audit and investigations

• Committee actively engaged and advising on the transition process
• Enhancement of communication between internal audit and UNBOA
• Better use of ERM to formulate audit risk assessments
• Director IEAS as the designated focal point for investigations
• Strengthening of anti-fraud activities
• Enhancements to the risk management information system

Ethics

• New Protection against Retaliation policy under development