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**Proposed allocation of resources to the new FIP pilot countries - extension of deadline
Comments from US**

Dear Mafalda,

Thank you for the opportunity to review this paper.

We have some questions about the proposed allocations that we would like to have answered before moving forward to approve the decision.

In particular, we were wondering about the proposed allocation of grant funding to the Mozambique and Cote D'Ivoire. We note that they are receiving less than 50% grants in the proposed allocation, and are not sure that this is consistent with the Debt Sustainability Framework for low income countries. Could you please check that the assumptions the Admin Unit makes in paragraphs 15 and 16 are correct, and that the allocations would be consistent with the DSF?

In addition, we would like additional information on the proposed \$3 million allocation to the global component of the DGM. How was this figure arrived at? What specific additional costs will the DGM global component bear as a result of the addition of DGM programs in these six countries?

Thank you very much for your help.

Best,

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