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participatory service delivery for reintegration

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ABBREVIATIONS AND ACRONYMS

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| PIU | Project Implementation Unit |
| SPF | State and Peace-building Fund |

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| Regional Vice President: |  | Inger Andersen  |
| Country Director: |  | N. Simon Gray |
| Sector Manager: |  | Yasser El-Gammal |
| Task Team Leader: |  | Heba Elgazzar  |

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| **Basic Information** |
| Project ID:  | P127212 | Lending Instrument:  | Specific Investment Loan |
| Regional Vice President:  | Inger Andersen | Original EA Category:  | Not Required (C) |
| Country Director:  | Neil Simon M. Gray | Current EA Category:  | Not Required (C) |
| Sector Director:  | Enis Baris | Original Approval Date:  | 02-Nov-2011 |
| Sector Manager:  | Yasser Aabdel-Aleem Awny El-Gammal | Current Closing Date:  | 31-Mar-2014 |
| Team Leader:  | Hebatalla Abdelhamid Elgazzar |  |  |
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| Borrower: | Government of Tunisia |
| Responsible Agency: | Ministry of Social Affairs |
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| **Restructuring Type** |
| Form Type:  | Short Form | Decision Authority:  | Country Director Approval |
| Restructuring Level: | Level 2 |  |  |
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| **Financing ( as of 29-Jan-2014 )** |
| **Key Dates** |
| Project | Ln/Cr/TF | Status | Approval Date | Signing Date | Effectiveness Date | Original Closing Date | Revised Closing Date |
| P127212 | TF-11069 | Effective | 20-Apr-2012 | 20-Apr-2012 | 03-Oct-2012 | 31-Mar-2014 | 31-Mar-2014 |
| **Disbursements (in Millions)** |
| Project | Ln/Cr/TF | Status | Currency | Original | Revised | Cancelled | Disbursed | Undisbursed | % Disbursed |
| P127212 | TF-11069 | Effective | USD | 5.00 | 5.00 | 0.00 | 2.21 | 2.79 | 44 |
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| **Policy Waivers** |
| Does the project depart from the CAS in content or in other significant respects? | Yes [ ] | No [ X ] |
| Does the project require any policy waiver(s)? | Yes [ ] | No [ X ] |
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| **A. Summary of Proposed Changes** |
| The purpose of the proposed restructuring is to extend the closing date of the project for 12 months from March 31, 2014 until March 31, 2015.  |
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| **B. Project Status** |
| Overall, project implementation has progressed well since May 2013 despite a slow launch in January 2013. The US$5 million State and Peace-building Fund (SPF) Grant Agreement was signed on April 20, 2012. The four effectiveness conditions were met and the grant was declared effective on October 3, 2012. The program encompasses the financing of sub-projects focusing on meeting social needs by improving service delivery at the local level. The project contributes to: (i) fostering social cohesion and stabilization among disadvantaged populations following the January 2011 revolution; and (ii) mitigating the socioeconomic risks faced by Tunisian returnees fleeing Libyan civil strife and by Tunisian communities near the border with Libya affected by depressed cross-border trade and commerce. The target number of beneficiaries (4000) has been exceeded, reaching approximately 4,200 beneficiaries as of December 1, 2013; therefore, the project objectives continue to be achievable.Approximately 50 service delivery sub-projects are on-going or have been completed and a plan to evaluate the results of these sub-projects has been developed. The project coordinators for Médenine and Tatouine regions have initiated training for sub-project beneficiaries. The Project Implementation Unit (PIU) is in the process of collecting all data related to beneficiary training, including: quality of training (certification) and number of hours per beneficiary. Finally, the PIU has been actively engaged in significant media outreach efforts (television news, radio, newspapers, website, facebook). Recruitment is underway for hiring a survey firm to conduct an evaluation of the project, expected to be finalized in March 2014. |
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| **C. Proposed Changes** |
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| **Financing** |
| **Change in Loan Closing Date(s):**  |
| Explanation |
| The closing date will be extended for 12 months from March 31, 2014 until March 31, 2015. The proposed extension is necessary to make up for the nearly 6-month lag between project approval and effectiveness. The project team received from the grant Recipient the implementation plan for completing the project by March 31, 2015, available in the project file. |
| **Ln/Cr/TF** | **Status** | **Original Closing Date** | **Current Closing Date** | **Proposed Closing Date** | **Previous Closing Date(s)** |
| TF-11069 | Effective | 31-Mar-2014 | 31-Mar-2014 | 31-Mar-2015 |  |
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