

V. RECOMMENDATIONS

40. Recommendations arising from the Seventh Meeting of IGAC:

Corruption Prevention and Control in Disaster Relief

Recommendation 1: UNOCHA will report at the 8th Meeting of the International Group on Anti-Corruption Coordination on the progress made with its online tracking system for the United Nations flash appeal for the Tsunami relief effort and the added value of the PricewaterhouseCoopers pro-bono services for the prevention, detection and investigation of fraud and corruption of projects financed under the United Nations flash appeal.

Recommendation 2: IGAC Secretariat to invite the Humanitarian Accountability Partnership International, and other relevant organizations, to attend the 8th Meeting of the International Group for Anti-Corruption Coordination to report on emerging lessons from mechanisms used to prevent and control fraud and corruption in past disaster relief efforts.

Recommendation 3: OIOS will update concerned IGAC members on the establishment of a central and professional Fraud and Corruption Prevention Centre in the region, including on the support needed by other agencies.

Recommendation 4: UNDP, UNOCHA and UNHCR to explore, and report to the next IGAC meeting, on rapid response measures for the prevention of fraud and corruption, applicable from the outset of significant humanitarian interventions, including the preparation of an anti-corruption check-list for operational personnel with managerial capacities in humanitarian relief organizations.

Recommendation 5: IGAC to explore jointly with the Interpol Group of Experts on Corruption, as to what role Interpol could play in the establishment of rapid response measures for the prevention of fraud and corruption.

Recommendation 6: All IGAC members to explore the feasibility and eventual format of a fixed percentage applicable to all donations made in the context of flash appeals, which should be dedicated to fund both preventive anti-corruption measures, as well as investigations into alleged fraud and corruption (“Governance Premium”, “Anti-Corruption Overhead”).

Recommendation 7: ADB/OECD and Transparency International to keep IGAC Members abreast, including through the IGAC Secretariat, on further work by OECD, ADB and TI with regard to the Jakarta Expert Meeting on Corruption Prevention in Tsunami relief, with a view to involving IGAC and its members in contributing suggestions and offer support for such follow-up.

Information sharing

Recommendation 8: IGAC acknowledged Interpol’s role and offer to facilitate information exchange in fraud and corruption related matters.

Recommendation 9: World Customs Organization to share its Compendium of Integrity Best Practices with all IGAC members through the IGAC Secretariat.

Recommendation 10: OIOS, UNHCR and IADB to collect all contractual “Anti-Corruption Clauses” currently applied by IGAC members, as well as other agencies, the experiences made with their application, as well as the original recommendations made by Transparency International, and prepare a draft “Anti-Corruption Clause” for review by the 8th Meeting of the International Group for Anti-Corruption Coordination.

Recommendation 11: UNODC to ensure participation of interested members of IGAC in the working meeting on measuring corruption and anti-corruption, to be held in collaboration with the Centre for the Study of Democracy on 17-18 June, in Sophia, Bulgaria, and report on the outcomes of the meeting at the 8th Meeting of IGAC.

United Nations Convention against Corruption

Recommendation 12: UNODC, UNDP, UNDESA, UNICRI and TI to explore and report to next IGAC meeting on ways to coordinate and enhance technical assistance in relation to ratification and implementation of UNCAC, including effective review mechanisms.