

RESOLUTION Nº15

UNITAID Executive Board meeting

November 29-30, 2006

Action name: Acceleration of Prevention of Mother to Child Transmission (PMTCT) and early pediatric HIV care scale up.

Partner organizations: UNICEF and WHO

The Board of UNITAID confirms the green light status of the action and authorizes the Executive Secretariat to pursue its work to further develop the action for consideration at the next UNITAID Board.

The action would have the following features, though change in amount of financial commitment might occur further to the finalization of technical discussions with partners.

Lead recipient and Procurement Agent:

UNICEF

Purpose:

Provide HIV test kits and ARV prophylaxis and treatment for HIV infected pregnant and breast feeding women in need and test kits for early diagnosis in children and ARV therapy to HIV infected children identified through PMTCT programmes.

Operational costs will be financed by partners (including technical assistance).

Amount:

2007: USD 4,267,000 (subject to change).

Expected date of first disbursement:

March 1 2007.

Conditions of disbursement:

Submission of proposal and detailed budget with clear indication on:

- How the low uptake to PMTCT programs will be addressed to ensure that the diagnostics and drugs supported by UNITAID will be put to good use.
- How the operational cost for programme scale up will be covered.
- How women eligible for ARV therapy and started during pregnancy will be continued after delivery and breastfeeding.

• How well the PMTCT programme is integrated with HIV care and ARV therapy scale up at primary care level.

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