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Dear Mrs. Turner-Jones,

Re: Request for Non-reimbursable Technical Cooperation Funding - Enhancing Transparency and Service Delivery through the Implementation of the National Identification System

Pursuant to the outcome of the Missions already convened between the Government of Jamaica (GOJ) and the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB) to discuss the Project for the Implementation of a National Identification System (NIDS) for Economic Growth, the GOJ hereby formally requests non-reimbursable Technical Cooperation (TC) funding in the amount of **US\$600,000** to be provided through the Public Capacity Building Korea Fund for Economic Development to support the preparatory work required for the NIDS.

The TC will focus on the coordination of various strategic actions among the key facilitating entities to improve their institutional capacity and create the requisite linkages between the public sector and the private sector before the commencement of the Project which will be financed by loan resources to be provided by the Bank.

The Ministry of Finance and the Public Service (MOFPS) has no objection to the Bank executing the TC Agreement in this instance, however, we ask that the relevant financial and procurement information be made readily available to the Government.

In light of the proposed implementation timelines that have been agreed between the GOJ and the Bank and the expected positive overall impact of the Project, we look forward to the timely approval of this request for grant resources.

Yours sincerely,

Darlene Morrison
for Financial Secretary