

Dear [TBC]

Ensuring WASH is present in the sustainable development process

Following the recent adoption of the Global Goals for sustainable development in New York, I write to thank you on behalf of WaterAid for your work in delivering this momentous agenda. We are delighted to see the inclusion of Goal 6 on water and sanitation, with ambitious targets relating to water, sanitation and hygiene (WASH), plus the restatement of the human right to water and sanitation and emphasis on the importance of hygiene in the declaration.

The framework will surely play a key role in catalysing the eradication of poverty by 2030, and WASH will be a critical element underpinning this.

WaterAid considers the role of [insert Government] critical to the success of this global agenda, and is keen to participate in the national implementation process, alongside other civil society organisations. We ask you to now consider:

- That where national development strategies are being developed or country development plans updated these should be inclusive of WASH. In view of this, we would be delighted to assist you in developing a country strategy relating to Goal 6 and other targets relevant to WASH in Goals 2, 3, 4, 5 and others.
- Ahead of the meeting of the UN Statistical Commission in March 2016 to decide the sustainable development goal indicators, to ensure that a hygiene indicator is present in the framework, and that explicit mention is made of WASH in target 3.8.

Please find [enclosed/attached] a briefing on the indicators relating to WASH, including our suggested language when referring to WASH and inequalities. I would be most grateful if you would consider a meeting with our organisation to discuss this in further depth.

WaterAid believes that, with the right action, 2015 will be seen as a landmark year on the journey to achieving sustainable development and overcoming extreme poverty. We look forward to engaging with you further on this. We urge you to seize this opportunity and demonstrate that WASH is a political priority for your Government.

Yours sincerely,

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