

Office of the Secretary of the UNICEF Executive Board

Template for delegations commenting on the country programme documents

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Delegations are kindly invited to use this template to share their comments on the draft country programme document being presented to the Executive Board during the forthcoming session.

Delegation name: **United States of America**

Draft country programme document: **Guatemala**

In accordance with Executive Board decision 2014/1, country programme documents are considered and approved in one session, on a no-objection basis. All comments received by the Office of the Secretary of the Executive Board before the deadline will be made public on the Executive Board website, and considered by the requesting country, in close consultation with UNICEF.

General comments	Delegations' comments	Response
<ul style="list-style-type: none">The United States welcomes UNICEF's Country Program Document for Guatemala and encourages UNICEF country office to engage stakeholders to discuss and address the following in the CPD:<ol style="list-style-type: none">To include data, if available, in the "Integrated management of acute malnutrition" to indicate that this is a public health priority area in the country.To consider paying greater attention to adolescent girls in the health and nutrition approach.To consider conducting a risk analysis to identify and manage risks specific to the Guatemala context including the risks of fraud, waste, and abuse. We ask UNICEF to include these in the "Programme and risk management" section of the CPD.To consider a feedback mechanism to capture suggestions and complaints. We ask UNICEF to		<p>UNICEF Guatemala appreciates and welcomes the comments submitted by the Delegation of the United States of America. UNICEF Guatemala can confirm that the following adjustments to the CPD have been made in response:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">Data were included on the number of children with acute malnutrition. There is a significant growth in casesActions to prevent pregnancy, overweight and obesity in adolescents were includedSpecific references to risk analysis to mitigate risks to fraud, waste and abuse have been included. Corresponding measures will also be further detailed in the Country Programme Management Plan 2022-2026.The corresponding changes and clarifications have been provided to the M&E section.

<p>ensure a feedback mechanism for programming in the Monitoring and Evaluation section.</p> <p>5. To discuss and address the risks of COVID-19 on program implementation and how UNICEF would adapt. We ask UNICEF to include these in the CPD.</p>		<p>5. A new para 57 has been added to express how UNICEF is adapting its programme implementation to the COVID 19 environment. Additional details on these will be further outlined in the Country Programme Management Plan 2022-2026.</p>
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