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HE Arsen Torosyan Ministry of Health of the Republic of Armenia 3 Government building Yerevan, 0010 Armenia

Subject: Crucial contribution of the Global Fund subgrantee "New Generation Humanitarian NGO" to the HIV program

Dear Dr Torosyan,

I am reaching out to you in my capacity of Fund Portfolio Manager for Armenia of the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis, and Malaria to thank you for your strong commitment and leadership in the fights against tuberculosis and HIV/AIDS.

We have been informed that the Global Fund subgrantee New Generation Humanitarian NGO has been working in an increasing difficult environment, and we would like to share with you our concerns that this may hinder its crucial contribution to the fight against HIV and AIDS in Armenia.

New Generation Humanitarian NGO is one of the principal and key NGOs in Armenia delivering prevention, including HIV testing, among men who have sex with men, and has been demonstrated so far excellent performance. This organization is exemplary in terms of implementation and the Global Fund values its work and its essential contribution to the HIV program currently in place in Armenia.

As a key implementer of the HIV program, it would be essential that a safe, respectful and peaceful environment be ensured so that the New Generation Humanitarian NGO can continue to provide prevention activities among men who have sex with men without facing any risks. Any interruption of services would prevent us from reaching successful targets in the perspective of our common goal to fight HIV/AIDS.

Thank you for your consideration.

Yours sincerely,

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