

16. Development: Social Protection Floors

Commitment [#40]

“We will continue to foster inter-agency and international policy coherence, coordination, cooperation and knowledge sharing to assist low-income countries in capacity building for implementing nationally determined social protection floors.”

Los Cabos Summit Final Declaration

Assessment

Country	Lack of Compliance	Work in Progress	Full Compliance
Argentina		0	
Australia			+1
Brazil			+1
Canada			+1
China		0	
France			+1
Germany			+1
India		0	
Indonesia			+1
Italy		0	
Japan			+1
Korea			+1
Mexico		0	
Russia			+1
Saudi Arabia			+1
South Africa		0	
Turkey			+1
United Kingdom			+1
United States			+1
European Union			+1
Average Score		+0.70	

Background

In the Seoul Multi-Year Action Plan on Development the G20 singled out social protection systems as one of the foundations of resilient growth, as it plays “an important role in providing income security for poor communities, ... providing buffers ... from the impact of external shocks and contributing to the maintenance and enhancement of aggregate demand.”³⁵⁶¹

On 27 September 2011, the G20 Labour and Employment Ministers held a meeting where they deliberated on the documents submitted by several international institutions on social protection floors. In particular, they welcomed the conclusions on social protection adopted by the International Labour Conference on 17 June 2011³⁵⁶² and took note of the recommendations of

³⁵⁶¹ Annex II: Multi-Year Action Plan on Development, G20 Information Center. Date of Access: 27 November 2012. <http://www.g20.utoronto.ca/2010/g20seoul-development.html>.

³⁵⁶² Report VI, Social security for social justice and a fair globalization, International Labour Conference, 100th Session, Geneva, 2011. Date of Access: 27 November 2012. <http://www.ilo.org/gimi/gess/RessFileDownload.do?ressourceId=21960>

the Social Protection Floor Advisory Group chaired by Michelle Bachelet.³⁵⁶³ The ministers welcomed the work done within the framework of the G20 Development Working Group.³⁵⁶⁴ They took note of the Brasilia declaration on the Social Protection Floor adopted on 10 May 2011.³⁵⁶⁵ They recognized the importance of taking account of the International Labour Organization (ILO) convention 102 (Social Security, Minimum standards).³⁵⁶⁶

Drawing on these documents ministers agreed on several recommendations: to develop nationally defined social protection floors with a view to achieving strong, sustainable and balanced economic growth and social cohesion; to encourage international organizations to coordinate their actions more effectively to help countries develop nationally determined social protection floors; and to ensure effective financing for the implementation of nationally determined social protection floors.³⁵⁶⁷

At the Cannes Summit the commitment on social protection was strengthened by a more concrete pledge. The G20 leaders clarified that they would support developing, especially low income countries (LICs), in “the implementation and expansion of nationally-designed social protection floors” (see Table 15-1).³⁵⁶⁸

Table 15-1 List of Low-Income Countries³⁵⁶⁹

Afghanistan	Gambia, The	Mozambique
Bangladesh	Guinea	Myanmar
Benin	Guinea-Bissau	Nepal
Burkina Faso	Haiti	Niger
Burundi	Kenya	Rwanda
Cambodia	Korea, Dem Rep.	Sierra Leone
Central African Republic	Kyrgyz Republic	Somalia
Chad	Liberia	Tajikistan
Comoros	Madagascar	Tanzania
Congo, Dem. Rep	Malawi	Togo
Eritrea	Mali	Uganda
Ethiopia	Mauritania	Zimbabwe

³⁵⁶³ Social Protection Floor for a Fair and Inclusive Globalization . Date of Access: 27 November 2012.

http://www.ilo.org/public/english/protection/spfag/download/background/bachrep_en.pdf

³⁵⁶⁴ 2011 Report of the Development Working Group, October 28, 2011. Date of Access: 27 November 2012. <http://www.g20.utoronto.ca/2011/2011-cannes-dwg-111028-en.pdf>

³⁵⁶⁵ G20 Consultation Meeting Argentina-Brazil-France-Mexico.Declaration of Brasilia on the Social Protection Floor. Date of Access: 27 November 2012.

<http://www.socialsecurityextension.org/gimi/gess/RessFileDownload.do?ressourceId=23162>

³⁵⁶⁶ The ILO Social Security (Minimum Standards) Convention, 1952 (No. 102). Date of Access: 27 November 2012. <http://www.ilo.org/public/english/protection/secsoc/areas/legal/conv102.htm>

³⁵⁶⁷ G20 Labour and Employment Ministers' Conclusions. Paris, September 27, 2011. Date of Access: 27 November 2012. <http://www.g20.utoronto.ca/2011/2011-labour-110927-en.html>.

³⁵⁶⁸ Communiqué: G20 Leaders Summit, 4 November 2011. <http://www.g20.utoronto.ca/2011/2011-cannes-communication-111104-en.html>.

³⁵⁶⁹ Country and Lending Groups. Low-income economies (\$1,025 or less), World Bank.

http://data.worldbank.org/about/country-classifications/country-and-lending-groups#Low_income.

Commitment Features

The ILO Global Jobs Pact specifies the following components of a basic social protection floor: “access to health care, income security for the elderly and persons with disabilities, child benefits and income security combined with public employment guarantee schemes for the unemployed and working poor.”³⁵⁷⁰

International Labor Conference in June 2011 refined the concept of social protection floor and agreed on the following definition, “... social protection floors, containing basic social security guarantees that ensure that over the life cycle all in need can afford and have access to essential health care and have income security at least at a nationally defined minimum level. Social protection floor policies should aim at facilitating effective access to essential goods and services, promote productive economic activity and be implemented in close coordination with other policies enhancing employability, reducing informality and precariousness, creating decent jobs and promoting entrepreneurship.”³⁵⁷¹

The report of the Social Protection Floor Advisory Group recommends the traditional and emerging donors to “agree on triangular cooperation mechanisms to enable the building of social protection systems in partner low-income countries,” emphasizing that “these mechanisms could create a division of labor in which traditional donors could provide predictable multi-year funding through direct budgetary support to expand affordability of social programs, while emerging donors could continue focusing on knowledge sharing and capacity building based on their own development experiences.”³⁵⁷²

The Social Protection Floor Report also welcomed the G20 commitment to “promote exchange of information, experiences and knowledge through the development of a knowledge-sharing platform, which would include both specific cases of successful experiences and technologies that could be transferred among countries” and recommended that “the G20 elaborate an action plan to implement its conclusions and put in place effective mechanisms, in coordination with international organizations, to monitor and report on the progress towards extending social protection coverage.”³⁵⁷³

In 2012 the G20 Development Working Group report mentioned several ways of supporting the implementation or expansion of national social protection floors in LICs: coordinated North-South, South-South and Triangular cooperation, and efforts of international organizations.³⁵⁷⁴ Thus, the implementation of this commitment can be pursued through national actions on a bilateral basis and actions through and in partnership with international institution (World Bank, UNDP, ILO and others). For full compliance the G20 member must take actions to assist LICs in

³⁵⁷⁰ Recovering from the crisis: A Global Jobs Pact. June 2009. Date of Access: 28 February 2012. http://www.ilo.org/wcmsp5/groups/public/---ed_norm/---relconf/documents/meetingdocument/wcms_108456.pdf.

³⁵⁷¹ Sixth item on the agenda: A recurrent discussion on the strategic objective of social protection (social security) under the follow-up to the 2008 ILO Declaration on Social Justice for a Fair Globalization. June 2011. Date of Access: 28 February 2012. http://www.ilo.org/wcmsp5/groups/public/---ed_norm/---relconf/documents/meetingdocument/wcms_157820.pdf.

³⁵⁷² Social Protection Floor for a Fair and Inclusive Globalization . Date of Access: 28 February 2012. http://www.ilo.org/public/english/protection/spfag/download/background/bachrep_en.pdf

³⁵⁷³ Social Protection Floor for a Fair and Inclusive Globalization . Date of Access: 28 February 2012. http://www.ilo.org/public/english/protection/spfag/download/background/bachrep_en.pdf

³⁵⁷⁴ <http://www.g20.utoronto.ca/2012/2012-0619-dwg.html>.

capacity building for implementing nationally determined social protection floors both bilaterally and multilaterally.

The commitment directly mentions that the G20 members will assist LICs in capacity building. Thus, only actions aimed at assisting LICs will be registered as compliance.

Scoring Guidelines

-1	Member does not take actions to assist LICs in capacity building for implementing nationally determined social protection floors
0	Member takes actions to assist LICs in capacity building for implementing nationally determined social protection floors bilaterally OR multilaterally
+1	Member takes actions to assist LICs in capacity building for implementing nationally determined social protection floors bilaterally AND multilaterally

Lead Analyst: Mark Rakhmangulov

Argentina: 0

Argentina has partially complied with the commitment on social protection floors.

Argentina has taken actions to promote the creation of nationally designed social protection floors bilaterally.

On 15-23 October 2012, the representatives of Mozambique’s Ministry of Science and Technologies visited Buenos Aires within the project “Science and Technology: Training in Research and Development” aimed to promote the exchange and transfer of scientific knowledge and technology, while educating and training human resources in research and development.³⁵⁷⁵

On 29-31 May 2013, Argentina participated in a technical workshop on Integrating Social Policies and the Delivery of Social Protection Floors (SPFs) in Siem Reap, Cambodia. The workshop was focused on “improving coordination among policies and schemes at the cross-ministerial, national and regional levels; designing integrated packages of services and transfers; linking employment and social protection.” The delegations from more than 100 countries, including Argentina, were invited “to share their experiences in the development of coherent national social protection strategies.”³⁵⁷⁶

On 5 June 2013, Argentinian representatives of the General Directorate of International Cooperation (DGCIN), Ministry of Foreign Affairs had a diplomatic mission to Senegal, Costa de Marfil and Cameroon for strengthening South-South relationships, particularly in teaching Spanish for foreigners in the West African countries. The members of the Argentinian delegation discussed with the Cameroon colleagues the experience exchange in employment and professional training policy.³⁵⁷⁷

³⁵⁷⁵ Mozambique: Capacitación en investigación y desarrollo, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Worship of Argentina 28 November 2012. Date of Access: 6 July 2013. <http://www.mrecic.gov.ar/es/mozambique-capacitacion-en-investigacion-y-desarrollo>.

³⁵⁷⁶ ILO-Royal Government of Cambodia technical workshop on "Integrating Social Policies and the Delivery of Social Protection Floors", Global Extension of Social Security (GESS) 21 May 2013. Date of Access: 6 July 2013. <http://www.socialsecurityextension.org/gimi/gess/ShowNews.do?nid=15429>.

³⁵⁷⁷ Argentina identifies new possibilities of Cooperation in West Africa, Fondo Argentino de Cooperacion Sur-Sur y Triangular 5 June 2013. Date of Access : 6 July 2013. <http://www.foargentina.cancilleria.gov.ar/noticia.php?id=191>.

During the compliance period Argentina has taken actions to assist LICs in capacity building for implementing nationally determined social protection floors bilaterally. Thus, it has been awarded a score of 0.

Analyst: Elizaveta Safonkina

Australia: +1

Australia has fully complied with the commitment on social protection floors.

Australia has taken actions to promote the creation of nationally designed social protection floors unilaterally.

In June 2012, the AusAID published the “AusAID Social Protection Framework” policy document. Social protection is one of the 10 key development objectives of the Australian aid policy. The document states that Australian aid in the sphere of social protection has three major pillars: improving food and nutrition security, reducing financial barriers to accessing and completing basic education, and reducing financial barriers to accessing health services to improve health outcomes. According to the document “Australia aims to contribute to the shared development goals of reducing poverty across generations and social inequality for women, men, girls, and boys” by providing “support for social protection to governments in low and middle income countries, including fragile states.”³⁵⁷⁸

On 17 July 2012, Australia provided USD45 million to support the efforts to strengthen national health programs in Ethiopia. This was part of the five-year USD140 million Australia–Africa Maternal and Child Health Initiative in Eastern Africa.³⁵⁷⁹

At high-level consultations held in Dhaka on 8-12 April 2013, Australia and Bangladesh signed a Statement of Commitment on development cooperation. The agreement commits both governments, inter alia, to delivering a program of development cooperation by extending social services to the poor (particularly in health and education) and providing economic opportunities.³⁵⁸⁰

On 14 May 2013, the Australian Government announced Australia’s International Development Assistance Program for 2013–14, and one of its strategic priorities is improving the quality of health services. Over the next years Australia will work with the governments of Cambodia, Myanmar, Bangladesh, Nepal and Eastern African countries (among them are the following LICs: Ethiopia, Kenya, Malawi, Mozambique, Rwanda, Tanzania, Uganda, and Zimbabwe) to help these countries strengthen health systems, midwifery training and provide affordable access to healthcare.³⁵⁸¹

³⁵⁷⁸ AusAID Social Protection Framework, AusAID 7 August 2012. Date of Access: 28 March 2013. <http://www.usaid.gov/Publications/Pages/social-protection-framework.aspx>.

³⁵⁷⁹ Improvements to child and maternal health in Ethiopia, Australian Government AusAID 17 July 2012. Date of access: 17 October 2012. <http://www.usaid.gov/HotTopics/Pages/Display.aspx?QID=740>.

³⁵⁸⁰ Australia–Bangladesh high-level consultations, AusAID 12 April 2013. Date of Access: 13 July 2013. <http://www.usaid.gov/HotTopics/Pages/Display.aspx?QID=1093>

³⁵⁸¹ Australia’s International Development Assistance Program 2013–14 – Country and regional programs, AusAID 14 May 2013. Date of access: 14 July 2013. <http://www.usaid.gov/Publications/web/australias-international-development-assistance-program-2013-14/Pages/country-and-regional-programs.aspx>

Australia has taken actions to promote the creation of nationally designed social protection floors multilaterally.

On 30 January 2013, Australian Foreign Minister Bob Carr and United Kingdom State Secretary for International Development Justine Greening, announced that Australia and the UK would work together to provide better access to education for the children in Myanmar. The two countries announced the creation of Myanmar Education Consortium, which will provide support and funding to the non-government education sector — in particular monastic schools — to increase access to education and teachers' training. AusAID provides funding of USD15 million to the consortium.³⁵⁸²

AusAID participates in the UN Partnership to Promote the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Multi-Donor Trust Fund (UNPRPD MDTF). The UNPRPD MDTF is a partnership to promote the civil, cultural, economic, political and social rights of persons with disabilities in line with the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (CRPD). The fund operates mainly in developing countries, such as Costa Rica, Fiji, Togo, Viet Nam etc. In 2012-2013 AusAID allocated USD4.182 million to the trust fund.³⁵⁸³

In 2013-14 Australia has committed to provide up to USD198.8 million to World Bank (through the International Development Association), up to AUD101.1 million to Asian Development Bank (through the Asian Development Fund), AUD38.3 million to United Nations Children's Fund, AUD23.4 million to World Health Organization and AUD18.2 million to United Nations Population Fund, along with financing several specialised sectoral funds, to develop and improve health and educational systems in developing and less developed countries.³⁵⁸⁴

During the compliance period Australia has taken actions to assist LICs in capacity building for implementing nationally determined social protection floors bilaterally and multilaterally. Thus, it has been awarded a score of +1.

Analysts: Andrei Sakharov and Ekaterina Maslovskaya

Brazil: +1

Brazil has fully complied with the commitment on social protection floors.

In July 2012, Brazil launched a series of exchanges of experience between Brazil and five African countries (Ethiopia, Malawi, Mozambique, Niger and Senegal) on Africa Food Purchase Program in Brasilia. The program seeks, inter alia, to promote access to food for people in insecure food supply situations and foster social and economic inclusion in the countryside through strengthened family farming. It is planned that each country will develop a project based on the Brazilian experience. The program is developed in partnership with the Food and Agriculture

³⁵⁸² Education for the poorest children in Myanmar, AusAID 30 January 2013. Date of Access: 29 March 2013. <http://www.usaid.gov/HotTopics/Pages/Display.aspx?QID=1016>.

³⁵⁸³ UN Partnership to promote the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Multi-Donor Trust Fund (UNPRPD MDTF), United Nations Development Group. Date of Access: 28 March 2013. http://mptf.undp.org/factsheet/fund/RPD00?fund_status_month_to=&fund_status_year_to=2013.

³⁵⁸⁴ Australia's International Development Assistance Program 2013-14 – Global programs, AusAID 14 May 2013. Date of access: 14 July 2013. <http://www.usaid.gov/Publications/web/australias-international-development-assistance-program-2013-14/Pages/global-programs.aspx>

Organization (FAO) and the World Food Program (WFP) and will receive investment of USD2 million.³⁵⁸⁵

In July 2012, Brazil signed an agreement with FAO to establish an office in Foz de Iguazu (Brazil) to study potential projects for exchange between South American and African countries. The cooperation focuses on food security, family farming, aquaculture, forest management, renewable energies and sustainable development. Brazilian best practices, such as Cultivating Good Water, will be systematized and made available to the countries that wish to replicate these projects. According to the program coordinator, Angola, Mozambique and Mercosur countries have already expressed their interest in the project. The projects will be implemented through bilateral technical cooperation and Brazilian Agency for Cooperation pledged USD600,000 of investment over 3-year period.³⁵⁸⁶

Brazil supported and financed the construction of a factory to produce antiretroviral drugs for AIDS treatment in Mozambique which was completed in July 2012. This factory is expected to be able to supply all sub-Saharan Africa in two years. The total investment in the project and construction was estimated at about BRL200 million (about USD100 million) with half of that contributed by the Brazilian government.³⁵⁸⁷

On 22 July 2012, Brazil inaugurated a cooperation centre for business and technical activities in Haiti. The centre is established in the framework of an agreement signed by the governments of Brazil, Cuba and Haiti, or the Haiti Project, to strengthen the Haitian health system.³⁵⁸⁸ On 23 November 2012, Brazil launched surveillance laboratory in Haiti to monitor the water quality, environmental factors and health conditions. Brazil invested BRL1.3 million (about USD0.65 million) in the construction of two laboratories in Haiti to strengthen the country's health system.³⁵⁸⁹ In May 2013, Brazil offered Haiti help to train its engineers in order to qualify them to contribute to the development of the country and assist in strengthening conditions for socioeconomic development. The offer was well received by Haiti and details are now being discussed.³⁵⁹⁰

In September 2012, the Brazilian government in collaboration with the FAO held seminars on Social Policies and Hunger and Poverty Eradication Policies in Morocco and Tunisia as part of its

³⁵⁸⁵ Experience in the Food Purchase Program goes to five African countries // The official website of the Government of Brazil. 04.07.2012. URL: <http://www.brasil.gov.br/news/history/2012/07/04/experience-in-the-food-purchase-program-goes-to-five-african-countries> (date of access: 05.02.2013).

³⁵⁸⁶ FAO: US\$ 600,000 for cooperation // the Brazil-Arab News Agency. 29.07.2012. URL: http://www2.anba.com.br/noticia_diplomacia.kmf?cod=16624358&indice=80 (date of access: 07.02.2013).

³⁵⁸⁷ Brazil will open in Africa a medicine factory for AIDS treatment // The official website of the Government of Brazil. 18.07.2012. URL: <http://www.brasil.gov.br/news/history/2012/07/18/brazil-will-open-in-africa-a-medicine-factory-for-aids-treatment> (date of access: 07.02.2013).

³⁵⁸⁸ Brazil opens Cooperation Center in Haiti // The official website of the Government of Brazil. 23.07.2012. URL: <http://www.brasil.gov.br/news/history/2012/07/23/brazil-opens-cooperation-center-in-haiti> (date of access: 04.02.2013).

³⁵⁸⁹ Brazil inaugurates surveillance laboratory in Haiti // The official website of the Government of Brazil. 23.11.2012. URL: <http://www.brasil.gov.br/news/history/2012/11/23/brazil-inaugurates-surveillance-laboratory-in-haiti> (date of access: 04.02.2013).

³⁵⁹⁰ Brazil to help Haiti train new engineers // The official website of the Government of Brazil. 22.05.2013. URL: <http://www.brasil.gov.br/news/history/2013/05/22/brazil-to-help-haiti-train-new-engineers> (date of access: 10.07.2013).

multilateral development cooperation. The initiative is aimed at sharing best practice and developing experts exchange between Brazil and African countries.³⁵⁹¹

In December 2012, Brazil presented its experience in implementing the Food Acquisition Program to Pakistan representatives during a seminar on Public Policy to Combat Hunger and Extreme Poverty held by FAO. Brazilian experience may be used by the Pakistani government to strengthen its national food security.³⁵⁹²

In February 2013, Brazil signed cooperative agreement with Nigeria and partnerships were established in the areas of energy production and agriculture. Brazil will also exchange its experience and best practice in food security and combating poverty.³⁵⁹³

In March 2013, Brazil signed an agreement with the World Bank to host Knowledge and Innovation Initiative for Poverty Reduction. The key objective of the initiative is to share best practice and replicate internationally successful public policies and social technologies for combating poverty.³⁵⁹⁴ During the compliance period Brazil has taken actions to assist LICs in capacity building for implementing nationally determined social protection floors bilaterally and multilaterally. Thus, it has been awarded a score of +1.

Analyst: Polina Arkhipova

Canada: +1

Canada has fully complied with the commitment on social protection floors.

Canada has taken actions to promote the creation of nationally designed social protection floors unilaterally.

On 20 September 2012, Canada's Prime Minister Stephen Harper announced three new projects aimed at improving healthcare for mothers and children in Tanzania. The projects will strengthen Tanzanian efforts aimed at supporting improvements in infrastructure, equipment and training related to prenatal, delivery and postnatal care by providing greater access to upgraded health centers, training healthcare workers and providing greater access to family planning and vaccinations.³⁵⁹⁵

On 4 October 2012, Stephen Harper announced six new development initiatives in Tanzania. Some of the initiatives will help provide Tanzanians with access to the health services and care;

³⁵⁹¹ Brazil to present social policies to Arabs // the Brazil-Arab News Agency. 02.09.2012. URL: http://www2.anba.com.br/noticia_diplomacia.kmf?cod=18815854&indice=70 (date of access: 12.02.2013).

³⁵⁹² Pakistan may implement a family agriculture incentive program similar to the Brazilian program // The official website of the Government of Brazil. 12.12.2012. URL: <http://www.brasil.gov.br/news/history/2012/12/12/pakistan-may-implement-a-family-agriculture-incentive-program-similar-to-the-brazilian-program> (date of access: 09.02.2013).

³⁵⁹³ Brazil establishes partnerships with Nigeria in energy and agriculture // The official website of the Government of Brazil. 26.02.2013. URL: <http://www.brasil.gov.br/news/history/2013/02/26/brazil-establishes-partnerships-with-nigeria-in-energy-and-agriculture> (date of access: 08.07.2013).

³⁵⁹⁴ Brazil to host global initiative to combat poverty // The official website of the Government of Brazil. 06.03.2013. URL: <http://www.brasil.gov.br/news/history/2013/03/06/brazil-to-host-global-initiative-to-combat-poverty> (date of access: 09.07.2013).

³⁵⁹⁵ PM announces support for maternal, newborn and child health in Tanzania, Prime Minister of Canada 20 September 2012. Date of Access: 7 February 2013. <http://www.pm.gc.ca/eng/media.asp?category=1&featureId=6&pageId=26&id=4347>.

while promoting greater transparency, accountability and good governance in the public and private sectors.³⁵⁹⁶

Canada took actions to promote the creation of nationally designed social protection floors multilaterally.

On 17 September 2012, Canada's Ambassador to Afghanistan Glenn Davidson attended Polio Campaign Inauguration Ceremony in Kabul. Canada is the largest donor to the Global Polio Eradication Initiative in Afghanistan with investments totaling USD96 million in the period from 2008 to 2014. Through the Polio Eradication project, Canada partners with UNICEF and WHO to insure that more than seven million children across Afghanistan receive polio vaccinations.³⁵⁹⁷

During the compliance period Canada has taken actions to assist LICs in capacity building for implementing nationally determined social protection floors bilaterally and multilaterally. Thus, it has been awarded a score of +1.

Analyst: Andrei Sakharov

China: 0

China has partially complied with the commitment on social protection floors.

China has taken actions to assist LICs in capacity building for implementing nationally determined social protection floors bilaterally.

On 1 September 2012, the Government of China offered health equipment and drugs worth USD214,000 to Malian Hospital, which was built with support of Chinese aid.³⁵⁹⁸

On 20 September 2012, Government of China donated 100 new ambulances to Afghanistan's Public Health Ministry, which worth is USD4 million. China also plans to provide trainings Afghans about maintaining and repairing these ambulances.³⁵⁹⁹

On 24 September 2012, Government of China donated 20 computers and 1000 paper publications and videos and 100,000 digital publications at the opening ceremony of China Library at the Tanzania's National Central Library, thus contributing to developing education system of this country.³⁶⁰⁰

³⁵⁹⁶ PM announces development initiatives in Tanzania, Prime Minister of Canada 4 October 2012. Date of Access: 7 February 2013.

<http://www.pm.gc.ca/eng/media.asp?category=1&featureId=6&pageId=26&id=5069>.

³⁵⁹⁷ Canada's Ambassador to Afghanistan attends Polio Campaign Inauguration and Inoculates Afghan Children, Flickr 18 September 2012. Date of Access: 7 February 2013.

<http://www.flickr.com/photos/camafghanistancam/8000486900/>.

³⁵⁹⁸ China donates drugs, equipment to hospital in Malian capital Bamako, Xinhua News agency 1 September 2012. Date of Access: 11 February 2013. http://news.xinhuanet.com/english/china/2012-09/01/c_131821766.htm

³⁵⁹⁹ China donates 100 ambulances to Afghanistan, China Weihai International Government Architectural Media Center 20 September 2012. Date of Access: 11 February 2013.

<http://whacmc.gov.cn/eList.asp?ID=5470>

³⁶⁰⁰ China Library opens at Tanzania's National Central Library, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the People's Republic of China 24 September 2012. Date of Access: 11 February 2013.

<http://wcm.fmprc.gov.cn/pub/zflt/eng/zxxx/t973065.htm>

On 25 October 2012, China and Niger signed two aid agreements worth USD25.6 million for the construction of a national referral hospital, which will be the biggest and modern hospital in Niamey and will have 500-bed capacity, and the purchase of 30 vehicles valued at USD1.9 million.³⁶⁰¹

On 24 November 2012, China and Liberia signed an Economic and Technical Cooperation Agreement. Under the agreement USD15 million will be spent to the Monrovia Vocational Training Center expansion project.³⁶⁰²

On 25 November 2012, the Phnom Penh Branch of the Bank of China set up an educational fund in Cambodia to support poor students to get education. The fund will provide construction of two Chinese schools in Cambodia.³⁶⁰³

On 7 December 2012, a food industry laboratory built with Chinese financial assistance was opened in Cambodia. This laboratory aims to improve food quality and safety, research and technology development of food industry in Cambodia.³⁶⁰⁴

During the compliance period China has taken actions to assist LICs in capacity building for implementing nationally determined social protection floors bilaterally but no facts of China's actions through multilateral cooperation have been found. Thus, it has been awarded a score of 0.

Analyst: Svetlana Nikitina

France: +1

France has fully complied with the commitment on social protection floors.

On 2 October 2012, the special committee of the Board of Directors of the Agence Française de Développement (AFD) supported the initiatives of several NGOs and approved the allocation of USD14.63 million for the 18 projects in LICs, including projects to assist education systems in Mozambique, Guinea, Madagascar, Cambodia, Guinea Bissau, Chad, Benin, Afghanistan.³⁶⁰⁵

On 21 December 2012, the AFD signed a financing agreement for the expansion and modernization of the University of Mountains in Cameroon. AFD's loan of USD10.03 million will finance the construction of buildings, classrooms, laboratories and offices.³⁶⁰⁶

³⁶⁰¹ China gives Niger 25.6 mln USD for hospital construction, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the People's Republic of China 25 October 2012. Date of Access: 11 February 2013.

<http://wcm.fmprc.gov.cn/pub/zflt/eng/zxxx/t983068.htm>

³⁶⁰² Liberia, China sign 15 mln USD economic agreement, Hunan Provincial People's Government 24 November 2012. Date of Access: 11 February 2013.

http://www.enghunan.gov.cn/Text_News/201211/t20121125_679820.htm

³⁶⁰³ Bank of China launches educational fund for Cambodian students, Xinhua News agency 25 November 2012. Date of Access: 11 February 2013. http://news.xinhuanet.com/english/china/2012-11/25/c_131997962.htm

³⁶⁰⁴ Cambodia inaugurates food industry lab under Chinese aid, Xinhua News agency 7 December 2012. Date of Access: 11 February 2013. http://news.xinhuanet.com/english/china/2012-12/08/c_132027343.htm

³⁶⁰⁵ L'AFD soutient 18 nouveaux projets d'ONG françaises pour un montant de 11,26 millions d'euros. 02 Octobre 2012. AFD. URL:

<http://www.afd.fr/home/AFD/nospartenaires/ONG?actuCtnId=86489>

³⁶⁰⁶ Expanding and modernizing Montagnes University in Bangangte. 01 February 2013. AFD. URL:

<http://www.afd.fr/lang/en/home/pays/afrique/geo-af/cameroun?actuCtnId=95584>

On 29 January 2013, Burundi and France signed an agreement on granting USD5 million to improve access to quality education through the Common Fund for Education initiative.³⁶⁰⁷ The Fund was established in 2008 by AFD, Belgian Development Cooperation, DFID and Luxembourg.³⁶⁰⁸

On 19 February 2013, the special committee of the Board of Directors of the Agence Française de Développement (AFD) supported the initiatives of several NGOs and approved the allocation of USD11.8 million for the 8 projects in LICs, including projects to assist education systems in Sub-Saharan Africa and reinforce water systems in Togo, Niger, Burkina Faso and Senegal.³⁶⁰⁹

On 23 April 2013, the special committee of the Board of Directors of the Agence Française de Développement (AFD) supported the initiatives of several NGOs and approved the allocation of EUR17.55 million for the 17 projects in LICs, including projects to assist national health systems in Guinea, Mali, Senegal, Burkina Faso and to improve the lives of people with disabilities in Haiti.³⁶¹⁰

On 18 Juin 2013, the special committee of the Board of Directors of the Agence Française de Développement (AFD) supported the initiatives of several NGOs and approved the allocation of USD8.97 million for the 12 projects in LICs, including projects to assist national health systems in Cameroun, Mali, Burundi, Cote d'Ivoire, Burkina Faso.³⁶¹¹

During the compliance period France has taken actions to assist LICs in capacity building for implementing nationally determined social protection floors bilaterally and multilaterally. Thus, it has been awarded a score of +1.

Analyst: Vitaly Nagornov

Germany: +1

Germany has fully complied with the commitment on social protection floors.

On 10 July 2012, Parliamentary State Secretary in the Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ) Gudrun Kopp, highlighted the great importance attached to family planning and maternal health in Germany's development policy and announced that Germany would make available for that aim a minimum of EUR400 million over the period of 2012 to 2015. This money will give women from the poorest countries access to quality health

³⁶⁰⁷ La France et le Burundi renforcent leur coopération dans le secteur de l'éducation. 7 February 2013. Ambassade de France à Bujumbura. URL : <http://www.ambafrance-bi.org/La-France-et-le-Burundi-renforcent>.809

³⁶⁰⁸ Burundi. Efficacité de l'aide dans le secteur de l'éducation 2010. The Global Partnership for Education. URL: <http://www.globalpartnership.org/media/Country%20profiles/Burundi%20updated.pdf>

³⁶⁰⁹ L'AFD soutient 8 nouveaux projets d'ONG françaises. 19 February 2013. AFD. URL: http://www.afd.fr/home/ctnscroll_ActualitesList/6_30?engineName=search&requestedCategories=tech_news_home_site_afd

³⁶¹⁰ L'AFD soutient 17 nouveaux projets d'ONG françaises pour un montant de 13,5 millions d'euros. 23 April 2013. AFD. URL: http://www.afd.fr/home/ctnscroll_ActualitesList/6_18?engineName=search&requestedCategories=tech_news_home_site_afd

³⁶¹¹ L'AFD soutient 12 nouveaux projets d'ONG françaises pour un montant de 6.9 millions d'euros. 18 Juin 2013. AFD. URL: http://www.afd.fr/home/ctnscroll_ActualitesList/6_0?engineName=search&requestedCategories=tech_news_home_site_afd

services during pregnancy and childbirth and will improve the development outlook for children.³⁶¹²

In July 2012, acting on behalf of the German federal government, KfW Entwicklungsbank supported East African countries in their efforts to improve the health of their people and to facilitate access to health services. In cooperation with East African Community and Aga Khan Development Network, KfW has developed an innovative program for the health care system. The objective is to broaden the array of training possibilities for health care staff and enhance their qualification.³⁶¹³

On 7 August 2012, German Development Minister Dirk Niebel met with Sierra Leone's Foreign Minister Joseph Bandabla Dauda. At his meeting Dirk Niebel pledged that Germany would continue its support for the country in tackling the major challenges it faces, such as the high levels of unemployment. One of the priority areas of development cooperation between Germany and Sierra Leone will be support for private sector development and youth employment.³⁶¹⁴

On 24 August 2012, during the visit to Malawi State Secretary Gudrun Kopp promised an assistance package that includes support for family planning based on cooperation with nongovernmental organisations, especially in rural areas in Malawi.³⁶¹⁵

On 16 October 2012, the Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ) hosted the launch of the Education for All Global Monitoring Report in Germany (GMR). The event was co-organized by the BMZ and the German Commission for UNESCO and took place in Bonn. In addition to monitoring the progress made on education goals throughout the world, the GMR focuses on young people's life and vocational skills. The BMZ provided strong support to the report's drafting because Germany has a vast expertise in the field of vocational training in development cooperation.³⁶¹⁶

On 16 November 2012, German Development Minister Dirk Niebel released the German payment to the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria worth EUR100 million.³⁶¹⁷

³⁶¹² On the occasion of World Population Day 2012, Gudrun Kopp notes that funds for rights-based family planning and maternal health have been doubled, total amount will be 400 million euros, the Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development 10 July 2012. Date of access: 17 January 2013. http://www.bmz.de/en/press/aktuelleMeldungen/2012/July/20120710_pm_171_weltbevoelkerung/index.html

³⁶¹³ Better Health for East Africa, KfW Entwicklungsbank 19 July 2012. Date of access: 15 January 2013. http://www.kfw-entwicklungsbank.de/ebank/EN/Home/About_Us/News/News_2012/20120719_42332.jsp

³⁶¹⁴ Dirk Niebel in Sierra Leone: "Important to give young people a future", the Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development 7 August 2012. Date of access: 17 January 2013. http://www.bmz.de/en/press/aktuelleMeldungen/2012/August/20120807_pm_181_sierraleone/index.html

³⁶¹⁵ Population dynamics main challenge for Malawi, says Gudrun Kopp, the Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development 28 August 2012. Date of access: 17 January 2013. http://www.bmz.de/en/press/aktuelleMeldungen/2012/August/20120824_pm_200_malawi/index.html

³⁶¹⁶ Global launch of EFA Global Monitoring Report in Germany, the Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development 16 October 2012. Date of access: 23 January 2013. http://www.bmz.de/en/press/aktuelleMeldungen/2012/October/20121016_pm_247_weltbildungsbericht/index.html

³⁶¹⁷ Dirk Niebel releases 100 million euros for the Global Fund, the Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development 16 November 2012. Date of access: 23 January 2013. http://www.bmz.de/en/press/aktuelleMeldungen/2012/November/20121116_pm_270_gfatm/index.html

On 23 January 2013, the Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ), Kindernothilfe and Lautenschläger Foundation launch project in Ethiopia. The project's target group are women living on the margins of society in regions of Ethiopia. The women selected for the project are to meet once a week and save a small amount of money on a regular basis. On the basis of their savings, the women will be given low-interest credits for the purpose of setting up a small business or similar venture. The additional income generated by their activities will help them provide better for themselves and their families, send their children to school on a regular basis and purchase suitable medical treatment when ill. The project will initially run until the end of 2015, with the BMZ funding 75 per cent of the costs. To help cover the remaining 25 per cent, the Manfred Lautenschläger Foundation will donate EUR167,000 to Kindernothilfe for the project.³⁶¹⁸

On 14 March 2013, UN Special Representative for Afghanistan Ján Kubiš and German Development Minister Dirk Niebel hold negotiations on development cooperation. The two sides agreed that they would continue, and deepen, their cooperation in the existing priority areas of economic development and promotion of employment, basic and vocational education, energy and water supply, and improvement of governance.³⁶¹⁹

During the compliance period Germany has taken actions to assist LICs in capacity building for implementing nationally determined social protection floors bilaterally and multilaterally. Thus, it has been awarded a score of +1.

Analyst: Yulia Ovchinnikova

India: 0

India has partially complied with the commitment on social protection floors.

In 2012, India provided 40 ambulances and 8 school buses for healthcare and educational institutions in Nepal.³⁶²⁰

In 2012, India supplied equipment worth INR14.7 million (about USD270 thousand) for educational sector and INR60 million (approximately USD1.1 million) for healthcare institutions in Malawi.³⁶²¹

On 3 September 2012, Indian Minister of Health and Family Welfare Nabi Azad and Minister of Health of Tajikistan Nusratullo Salimov signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) for

³⁶¹⁸ Help for ten thousand women and children – BMZ, Kindernothilfe and Lautenschläger Foundation launch project in Ethiopia, the Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development 23 January 2013. Date of access: 3 February 2013.

http://www.bmz.de/en/press/aktuelleMeldungen/2013/januar/20130123_pm_10_aethiopien/index.html

³⁶¹⁹ Government negotiations with Afghanistan concluded – Dirk Niebel meets Ján Kubiš, UN Special Representative for Afghanistan, the Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development 14 March 2013. Date of access: 4 July 2013.

http://www.bmz.de/en/press/aktuelleMeldungen/2013/februar/20130209_pm_19_hiv_suedafrika/index.html

http://www.bmz.de/en/press/aktuelleMeldungen/2013/maerz/130314_pm_50_Government-negotiations-with-Afghanistan-concluded-Dirk-Niebel-meets-Jan-Kubis-UN-Special-Representative-for-Afghanistan/index.html

³⁶²⁰ Annual Report 2012-2013, Ministry of External Affairs of India 14 March 2013. Date of Access: 28 March 2013. http://mea.gov.in/Uploads/PublicationDocs/21385_Annual_Report_2012-2013_English.pdf.

³⁶²¹ Annual Report 2012-2013, Ministry of External Affairs of India 14 March 2013. Date of Access: 28 March 2013. http://mea.gov.in/Uploads/PublicationDocs/21385_Annual_Report_2012-2013_English.pdf.

cooperation in the sphere of health. The MoU provides for cooperation on medical education, health research and hospital management, establishment of diagnostic centers in Tajikistan, and sharing India's experience in developing rural health centers.³⁶²²

During the compliance period India has taken actions to assist LICs in capacity building for implementing nationally determined social protection floors bilaterally but no facts of India's actions through multilateral cooperation have been found. Thus, it has been awarded a score of 0.

Analyst: Andrey Shelepov

Indonesia: +1

Indonesia has fully complied with the commitment on social protection floors.

Indonesia has taken actions to promote the creation of nationally designed social protection floors bilaterally.

On 8 November 2012, Indonesian ambassador in Namibia Augustine Sumartono held talks with Namibian Minister of Health and Social Services Richard Kamwi. Indonesian ambassador said that in June 2012 the two countries agreed to sign a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) for health cooperation. Despite the fact that this MoU is not finalized, Indonesia will implement projects in the field of health in Namibia, including "the dispatch of specialists from Indonesia, health information exchange and cooperation in capacity-building."³⁶²³

On 8 January 2013, Indonesian Foreign Minister Marty Natalegawa visited several refugee camps in Myanmar. He highlighted that in addition to the aid worth of USD1 million to satisfy people's primary needs, including medicines and education, Indonesia will also stimulate Myanmar economy and work opportunities to "create the hopes for a better living in the future."³⁶²⁴

On 12 June 2013, Indonesian and Myanmar foreign ministers agreed on a Blue Book on Indonesia — Myanmar Capacity Building Partnership 2013-2015. The Blue Book provides for cooperation in different areas, including socio-economic development. Indonesian Foreign Minister Marty M. Natalegawa reiterated the commitment to contribute to Myanmar social development. Previously Indonesia had invested USD1 million in constructing several buildings, including a school, in the Rakhine State of Myanmar.³⁶²⁵

Indonesia has taken actions to promote the creation of nationally designed social protection floors on a multilateral level.

³⁶²² MoU Signed between the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Govt. of India and Ministry of Health, Govt. of Tajikistan, Press Information Bureau, Government of India 3 September 2012. Date of Access: 28 March 2013. <http://pib.nic.in/newsite/erelease.aspx?relid=87261>.

³⁶²³ Namibia Expects Specialist Doctors from Indonesia, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Indonesia 13 November 2012. Date of Access: 13 February 2013. <http://www.deplu.go.id/Pages/News.aspx?IDP=5922&l=en>.

³⁶²⁴ FM Affirms Commitment to Deliver USD 1 Million Humanitarian to Myanmar Government, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Indonesia 9 January 2013. Date of Access: 13 February 2013. <http://www.kemlu.go.id/madrid/Pages/News.aspx?IDP=6042&l=en>.
<http://www.kemlu.go.id/madrid/Pages/News.aspx?IDP=6042&l=en>.

³⁶²⁵ Indonesia-Myanmar Created a Blue Book on Capacity Building Partnership, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Indonesia 13 June 2012. Date of Access: 2 July 2013. <http://www.kemlu.go.id/Pages/News.aspx?IDP=6289&l=en>.

On 23 December 2012, Indonesian ambassador to Afghanistan Anshory Tadjudin and Afghan Deputy Minister of Rural Rehabilitation and Development Mohammad Tariq Ismati discussed the outcomes of the training projects implemented by Indonesia and aimed at poverty eradication in rural areas of Afghanistan.³⁶²⁶ In particular, they focused on the scheme of Third Country Training Program (TCTP) on Participatory Community Development Training for Afghanistan. In the framework of this project, Indonesian, Japanese and Afghan governments cooperated to organize a two-weeks training in Kabul, Afghanistan and Jakarta and Makassar, Indonesia on 2-14 July 2012.³⁶²⁷

During the compliance period Indonesia has taken actions to assist LICs in capacity building for implementing nationally determined social protection floors bilaterally and multilaterally together with other donors. Thus, it has been awarded a score of +1.

Analyst: Nadezhda Sporysheva

Italy: 0

Italy has partially complied with the commitment on social protection floors.

On 3 September 2012, Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MFA) announced that the Italian Cooperation responded to the international community appeal for aid for the Ebola virus emergency in the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC). Italy provided a multilateral donation of EUR300,000 (about USD401,325) to finance the World Health Organization (WHO) project aimed at combating the epidemic registered in late July in the country's eastern province. In particular, in the framework of this project Italy helped to control the spread of the virus and reduce the mortality rate, through training courses for medical staff and community for the timely detection of suspected cases.³⁶²⁸

On 5 October 2012, the Italian Directorate General for Development Cooperation declared that it launched the second phase of the "Emergency initiative for the improvement of food security, access to safe water, hygiene and for assistance to particularly vulnerable groups (refugees and displaced persons from war, women and children), in the province of Kivu of the DRC," with the value of EUR800,000 (about USD1.07 million).³⁶²⁹

On 22 November 2012, the MFA announced the launch of a new project in favor of the people of Haiti, heavily affected by Hurricane Sandy. The Ministry earmarked an additional multilateral contribution of EUR200,000 (about USD267,550) to the UN World Food Program (WFP) for an emergency 7-month project (from November 2012 to May 2013) hoping to reach approximately

³⁶²⁶ Indonesia Maintains its Commitment to Provide Assistance in Capacity Building to Afghanistan, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Indonesia 26 December 2012. Date of Access: 13 February 2013. <http://www.deplu.go.id/Pages/News.aspx?IDP=6023&l=en>.

³⁶²⁷ Third Country Training Program on Participatory Community Development Training for Afghanistan, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Indonesia 3 July 2012. Date of Access: 13 February 2013. <http://kemlu.go.id/Pages/PressRelease.aspx?IDP=1350&l=en>.

³⁶²⁸ Congo: emergenza ebola in Congo, Cooperazione dona 300mila euro, MFA 3 September 2012. Date of Access: 28 January 2013. http://www.esteri.it/MAE/IT/Sala Stampa/ArchivioNotizie/Approfondimenti/2012/09/20120903_Congo.htm?LANG=IT

³⁶²⁹ Sicurezza alimentare e accesso all'acqua, Italian Development Cooperation 5 October 2012. Date of Access: 28 January 2013. <http://www.cooperazioneallosviluppo.esteri.it/pgcs/italiano/news/viewnews.asp?idx=5504>

one million of the island's people in serious difficulty. In particular, the UN agency aims to organize "cash for work" activities to promote employment, and to proceed with restoring rural roads, land irrigation and drainage systems, terracing and reforestation.³⁶³⁰

On 29 March 2013, Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs announced a new initiative to improve distance learning in Afghanistan through a technical agreement signed in Kabul confirming a contribution of EUR920,000 (about USD1.2 million) to the "Educational Radio and TV of Afghanistan — Ertv" program aimed at expanding broadcast coverage to add 10 new provinces to the 7 already receiving, which include Kabul, Balkh, Herat, Kandahar, Paktia, Bamiyan and Nangarhar. Distance learning plays an especially important role in Afghanistan where mountainous terrain, a lack of infrastructure and socio-cultural rigidity combine to make access to education in rural areas difficult.³⁶³¹

On 30 May 2013, the Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs, Lapo Pistelli, in the light of signing a new 3-year framework agreement between Italy and Ethiopia in Addis Ababa, announced that Italy was able to double aid to Ethiopia from the EUR48 million (about USD62.5 million) of 2009-2011 to EUR98.9 million (about USD129 million) for 2013-2015. An important contribution is aimed at developing the area with a special focus on mother/child healthcare.³⁶³²

On 25 June 2013, the Director General for Development Cooperation, Giampaolo Cantini, and his colleague from the United Nations Food and Agricultural Organisation (FAO), Jose' Graziano da Silva, signed an agreement containing the new development project worth EUR1.5 million (USD1.95 million). With this project the Italian Development Cooperation is going to support smallholdings and cooperatives run by women and young people in Kenya and South Sudan's most marginalised regions, and help them obtain access to markets and to market and sell their agricultural products.³⁶³³

On 28 June 2013, the Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs, Lapo Pistelli, announced the Italian Cooperation's decision to put a total of EUR60 million (about USD80 million) toward health, education and infrastructure projects in Africa and Asia. The most important initiatives include promoting agricultural development in Ethiopia, and EUR5 million (about USD6.5 million) initiative to consolidate Afghan institutions and EUR3 million (about USD4 million) initiative to education in Mozambique. The recipients of the EUR28 million (about USD36.5 million) in

³⁶³⁰ Cooperazione 200mila euro a Wfp per uragano Sandy, MFA 22 November 2012. Date of Access: 28 January 2013.

http://www.esteri.it/MAE/IT/Sala_Stampa/ArchivioNotizie/Approfondimenti/2012/11/20121122_Cooperazione.htm?LANG=IT

³⁶³¹ Afganistan - Da Italia nuovo contributo per istruzione, Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs 29 March 2013. Date of Access: 1 July 2013.

http://www.esteri.it/MAE/IT/Sala_Stampa/ArchivioNotizie/Approfondimenti/2013/03/20130329_afganistan.htm?LANG=IT

³⁶³² Italy-Ethiopia: Pistelli, cooperation funds doubled, Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs 30 May 2013. Date of Access: 1 July 2013.

http://www.esteri.it/MAE/EN/Sala_Stampa/ArchivioNotizie/Approfondimenti/2013/05/20130530_italia_etiopia.htm?LANG=EN

³⁶³³ Africa: 1.5 million euros from Italy for women and young people, Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs 25 June 2013. Date of Access: 2 July 2013.

http://www.esteri.it/MAE/EN/Sala_Stampa/ArchivioNotizie/Approfondimenti/2013/06/20130625_africa_donne_giovani.htm?LANG=EN

donations and EUR32 million (about USD42 million) in assistance loans include Somalia, Mozambique, Eritrea, Afghanistan, Lebanon, North Korea and Myanmar.³⁶³⁴

During the compliance period Italy has taken actions to assist LICs in social protection floors sphere bilaterally and multilaterally. However these actions were mainly short-term and not focused on strengthening national capacities. Thus, it has been awarded a score of 0.

Analyst: Anna Vekshina

Japan: +1

Japan has fully complied with the commitment on social protection floors.

During the compliance period Japan has taken actions to assist LICs in capacity building for implementing nationally determined social protection floors bilaterally.

On 23 August 2012, JICA Head in Afghanistan Akihiko Tanaka met with the President of Afghanistan Hamid Karzai. JICA Head Tanaka pledged that Japan would remain committed to helping Afghanistan in health and education sectors through development programs. He also added that Japan has planned to build a hospital in Kabul city till the end of 2012.³⁶³⁵

On 13 September 2012, in Central African Republic an official handover ceremony took place for the Project of the Construction of Primary Schools. The Japanese government's grant aid enabled the construction of 11 Government Primary Schools and 119 classrooms.³⁶³⁶

On 5 October 2012, the Japanese government provided a JPY1.333 billion grant (approximately USD17 million) to Haiti for the reconstruction of the departmental public hospital, St-Michel de Jacmel. The works were planned to begin in March 2013.³⁶³⁷ As of 27 May 2013, Japan has been involved in bilateral support to Haiti in 4 areas: health and hygiene (emergency goods to combat cholera, hospital and clinic reconstruction, including the above mentioned hospital), education and capacity development (primary school reconstruction, training), food and agriculture (food aid, assistance to poor farmers, training), and other reconstruction activities.³⁶³⁸

On 20 January 2013, the Japanese ambassador in Haiti Kenji Kuratomi signed 4 contracts with Haitian organizations as the part of the programme "Assistance in the form of donations to the Micro-Local Projects contributing to the Human Security." The contracts are aimed at

³⁶³⁴ Cooperation: €60 million for projects in Africa and Asia, Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs 28 June 2013. Date of Access: 2 July 2013.

http://www.esteri.it/MAE/EN/Sala_Stampa/ArchivioNotizie/Approfondimenti/2013/06/20130628_Cooperazione_60 mln interventi Africa Asia.htm?LANG=EN

³⁶³⁵ President Karzai: We Ask Japan to Increase Its Assistance in Education and Health Sectors, Office of the President 23 August 2012. Date of Access: 11 February 2013. <http://president.gov.af/en/news/12219>.

³⁶³⁶ Handover Ceremony for the "Project of the Construction of Primary Schools" in Central African Republic, Embassy of Japan in the Central African Republic 13 September 2012. Date of Access: 11 February 2013. <http://www.cmr.emb-japan.go.jp/en/RCA-en.html>.

³⁶³⁷ \$17MM for the Construction of the Hospital St-Michel of Jacmel, HaitiLibre 05 October 2012. Date of Access: [http://www.haitilibre.com/en/news-6811-haiti-health-\\$17mm-for-the-construction-of-the-hospital-st-michel-of-jacmel.html](http://www.haitilibre.com/en/news-6811-haiti-health-$17mm-for-the-construction-of-the-hospital-st-michel-of-jacmel.html).

³⁶³⁸ Japan, a country that keeps its promises, HaitiLibre 27 May 2013. Date of Access: 11 July 2013. <http://www.haitilibre.com/en/news-8659-haiti-reconstruction-japan-a-country-that-keeps-its-promises.html>.

construction of 2 schools and a health center and at modernization of the dairy. The total amount of aid is USD509.13 thousand.³⁶³⁹

On 11 March 2013, the Japanese embassy extended a USD316.4 thousand grant to three local organizations in Rwanda which would help empower vulnerable people in the country, especially women and other marginalized persons. According to the Charge D’Affaires at the Japan Embassy Shigeru Kondo the three organizations would build a community center for widows in Kicukiro district, a kindergarten in Nyanza and a storage facility with 6 water tanks in Burera district.³⁶⁴⁰

On 20 March 2013, Japan provided Uganda with a grant of USD631.5 thousand to enable 7 grass-root organizations working in health and education sectors. Japan’s ambassador to Uganda, Kazuo Minagawa, announced that the grant was a part of the “Grant Assistance for Grassroots Human Security Projects.”³⁶⁴¹

On 15 April 2013, the Japanese ambassador to Zimbabwe Yonezo Fukuda officially handed over to Zimbabwe the building and equipment worth USD123.5 thousand for physically-challenged students at King Gerge VI in Bulawayo.³⁶⁴²

On 30 April 2013, the official ceremony of Japanese Grant Aid “Project for Improvement of Medical Equipment in National, Municipal and Provincial Referral Hospitals in Cambodia” has been held. According to the agreement signed on 29 March 2012 Japanese governments handed over to the Ministry of Health of Cambodia x-ray machines, ultrasounds, and patient monitoring systems for 4 national and 17 provincial hospitals. The equipment is worth JPY214.3 million (approximately USD2.697 million).³⁶⁴³

On 7 May 2013, Japan’s ambassador in Afghanistan Hiroshi Takahashi and Education Minister of Afghanistan Ghulam Farooq Wardak signed a contract under which the Japanese side would provide USD25 million for the construction of 51 school buildings in Bamyan, Daikundi and Ghor provinces.³⁶⁴⁴

During the compliance period Japan has taken actions to assist LICs in capacity building for implementing nationally determined social protection floors multilaterally.

On 11 February 2013, Japan signed a grant assistance agreement with Afghanistan to provide USD13.3 million for improving 3 health clinics, 14 schools, pavement of 30 km of rural roads

³⁶³⁹ Japan Financed 4 New Projects, HaitiLibre 20 January 2013. Date of Access: 10 July 2013.

<http://www.haitilibre.com/en/news-7681-haiti-reconstruction-japan-financed-4-new-projects.html>.

³⁶⁴⁰ Japanese Embassy Boosts Women Groups, Rwanda E-Embassy in Japan 11 March 2013. Date of Access: 10 July 2013. <http://www.rwandaembassy-japan.org/en/modules/wordpress/index.php?p=539#more-539>.

³⁶⁴¹ Japan Donates SH1.6b for Education and Health, New Vision 20 March 2013. Date of Access: 10 July 2013. <http://www.newvision.co.ug/news/640845-japan-donates-sh1-6b-for-education-and-health.html>.

³⁶⁴² Mhalanga F. Japan Donates to Disabled Children School, NewsDay 15 April 2013. Date of Access: 10 July 2013. <http://www.newsday.co.zw/2013/04/15/japan-donates-to-disabled-children-school/>.

³⁶⁴³ Paving the Way for More Accessible Quality Health Care for Many, Jica Cambodia Office 29 April 2013. Date of Access: 10 July 2013.

<http://www.jica.go.jp/cambodia/english/office/topics/press130429.html>.

³⁶⁴⁴ Japan Funds Construction of School Buildings in Afghanistan, Wadsam 07 May 2013. Date of Access: 10 July 2013. <http://www.wadsam.com/japan-funds-construction-of-school-buildings-in-afghanistan-2323/>.

and construction of several bridges. These projects are going to be implemented in partnership with the United Nations (UNOPS).³⁶⁴⁵

On 13 March 2013, Japan contributed USD15 million to UNICEF to support nutrition, food security, health, education, child protection, water, sanitation and hygiene efforts in Somalia.³⁶⁴⁶

On 10 June 2013, the Government of Japan announced that it would donate USD11 million to UNICEF. The grant is aimed at financing programmes in health, nutrition, education, water, sanitation and hygiene for children in Ethiopia.³⁶⁴⁷

During the compliance period Japan has taken actions to assist LICs in capacity building for implementing nationally determined social protection floors bilaterally and multilaterally. Thus, it has been awarded a score of +1.

Analyst: Evgeny Guschchin

Korea: +1

Korea has fully complied with the commitment on social protection floors.

On 16 October 2012, the Export-Import Bank (Eximbank) of Korea signed a loan agreement worth USD26.8 million with Uganda, providing for financial support to a vocational training program in this country. Apart from Eximbank, the program involves African Development Bank (AfDB) and is aimed at building technical training centers in Uganda, as well as providing supply of training materials and consulting related to education and training.³⁶⁴⁸

On 15 November — 1 December 2012, Korean International Cooperation Agency (KOICA) held training in the field of maternal and child health for public officials from Bangladesh, Myanmar and Nepal. The training was aimed at improving “capability of establishing policies for maternal and child health” in these countries through sharing Korean experience in the area.³⁶⁴⁹

On 17 November 2012, KOICA started the 22-day fellowship program for 20 representatives of the Afghan education system. One of the main objectives of the program is fostering the “planning ability of educational policy” in Afghanistan.³⁶⁵⁰

³⁶⁴⁵ Japan Provides \$13.3 million grant assistance to Nangarhar community development, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Afghanistan 11 February 2013. Date of Access: 10 July 2013. <http://mfa.gov.af/en/news/17303>.

³⁶⁴⁶ Japan Supports Basic Service Delivery for children in Somalia, UNICEF 13 March 2013. Date of Access: 10 July 2013. http://www.unicef.org/somalia/media_12359.html.

³⁶⁴⁷ Japan Donates US\$11 million for children in Ethiopia, UNICEF 10 June 2013. Date of Access: 10 July 2013. http://www.unicef.org/esaro/5440_12785.html.

³⁶⁴⁸ Korea Eximbank Assists Africa with Agricultural Irrigation System and HR Development, Korea Eximbank 16 October 2012. Date of Access: 28 March 2013. http://www.koreaexim.go.kr/en/bbs/noti/view.jsp?no=11259&bbs_code_id=1316753474007&bbs_code_tp=BBS_2&req_pg=5.

³⁶⁴⁹ Maternal and Child Health Promotion (for Asian Pacific Countries), Korea International Cooperation Agency 21 November 2012. Date of Access: 28 March 2013. http://www.koica.go.kr/english/board/new/1292191_1967.html.

³⁶⁵⁰ Planning and Implementation of Education Policy (Afghanistan), Korea International Cooperation Agency 19 November 2012. Date of Access: 28 March 2013. http://www.koica.go.kr/english/board/new/1291841_1967.html.

On 2 January 2013, South Korean ambassador to Rwanda Hwang Soon Taik announced that South Korea would continue providing support to Rwanda in the area of education, with a particular focus on technical and vocational education, and training. He also informed that South Korea delivers its support to Rwanda through KOICA, dispatching volunteers in different spheres, including education.³⁶⁵¹ As of November 2012, 86 volunteers were working in the field of education in Rwanda.³⁶⁵²

During the compliance period Korea has taken actions to assist LICs in capacity building for implementing nationally determined social protection floors bilaterally and multilaterally. Thus, it has been awarded a score of +1.

Analyst: Andrey Shelepov

Mexico: 0

Mexico has partially complied with the commitment on social protection floors.

On 25-26 July 2012, the Mexican Ministry of Social Development (SEDESOL) participated in the seminar “Strengthening Social Protection Systems” organized by APEC in Manila, the Philippines. The representatives of the World Bank, Asian Development Bank, International Labour Organization as well as APEC members — Japan, Chile, the US, Indonesia, Malaysia, Papua Nueva Guinea, Peru, Thailand, Taiwan and Vietnam took part in the meeting. The Deputy Director General of Social Programs Monitoring Alejandro Rosas Guerrero presented Mexico’s experience in social programs effectiveness evaluation based on example of programs “70 and more” and “Daycare.”³⁶⁵³ Mr. Guerrero strengthened the most useful indicators to estimate the positive impact of the social programs, the technical difficulties with programs implementation etc.³⁶⁵⁴

On 21 November 2012, the Rehabilitation Center for Drug Addicted was opened in Honduras province San Pedro Sula with assistance of the Mexican Agency for International Development (AMEXCID) and the Mexican Health Ministry. The center provides three month courses of rehabilitation including education, recreation and sport services. On 20-24 August 2012, an expert from Mexican Health Ministry, Juan Arturo Sabines Torres, provided the training course for Honduras medical officers.³⁶⁵⁵

On 1 March 2013, the Mexican Government announced special Scholarship Programmes for Foreign Students including grants for the foreign specialists to give lectures, courses, seminars in Mexican universities and research centers; for media professionals to write articles and take

³⁶⁵¹ Rwanda: South Korea to Support Community Development Programmes, AllAfrica 5 January 2013. Date of Access: 28 March 2013. <http://allafrica.com/stories/201301070024.html>.

³⁶⁵² SAEMAUL's Contribution Towards Rural Development, Korea International Cooperation Agency 16 November 2012. Date of Access: 28 March 2013. http://www.koica.go.kr/english/resources/news/1291591_1962.html.

³⁶⁵³ Evaluating Social Protection Programmes: The Case of Mexico July 2012. Date of Access: 29 January 2013. http://hrd.apec.org/images/3/33/7A_Guerrero.pdf

³⁶⁵⁴ HRDWG/LSPN Social Protection Seminar. APEC Human Resource Development Working Group Official Site 25 July 2012. Date of Access: 29 January 2013. http://hrd.apec.org/index.php/LSPN_Social_Protection_Seminar_Presentations#Manila_Seminar.

³⁶⁵⁵ México asesora a Honduras para establecer Centro de Atención en Adicciones, AMEXCID 21 November 2012. Date of Access: 1 April 2013. <http://amexcid.gob.mx/index.php/es/prensa/comunicados/1676-asesoria-honduras-centro-atencion-adicciones>

interviews on Mexico etc. The foreign specialists are provided with monthly grant (USD765), air tickets and medical insurance.³⁶⁵⁶ More than 180 countries participate in these programmes including LICs: Afghanistan, Benin, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Chad, Comoros, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Gambia, Guinea, Kenya, Malawi, Mauritania, Mozambique, Niger, Rwanda, Sierra Leone, Somalia, Tanzania, Togo, Uganda, Zimbabwe (Africa), Bangladesh, Cambodia, Kyrgyzstan, North Korea, Myanmar, Nepal, Tajikistan (Asia), Haiti (Caribbean).³⁶⁵⁷

During the compliance period Mexico has taken some limited actions to assist LICs in capacity building for implementing nationally determined social protection floors. Thus, it has been awarded a score of 0.

Analyst: Elizaveta Safonkina

Russia: +1

Russia has fully complied with the commitment on social protection floors.

Russia has taken measures to support nationally designed social protection floors in developing countries.

Russia contributes to the development of a school meal program in Armenia. According to the Russian Government decision on 30 June 2010, USD6 million were allocated in 2011-2012 to the World Food Program (WFP) for the realization of this program.³⁶⁵⁸ The goal of Russia and the WFP is “to make the programs self sufficient and nationally-owned.”³⁶⁵⁹ On 23 November 2012, the Russian Government decided to extend this program to 2015 and allocate additional USD10 million for its implementation.³⁶⁶⁰

On 22 November 2012, the Russian Government decided to allocate USD15 million for realization of similar programs in the Deauville Partnership countries in 2012-2014.³⁶⁶¹ On 11 June 2013, the Russian Government decided to allocate USD22 million for realization of similar programs in Tajikistan and Kyrgyzstan in 2013-2015.³⁶⁶²

³⁶⁵⁶ 2013 Mexican Government Scholarship Program for Foreign Students, AMEXCID 1 March 2013. Date of Access: 7 July 2013. <http://amexcid.mx/index.php/es/oferta-de-becas-para-extranjeros/1737>.

³⁶⁵⁷ Countries participating in the 2013 Mexican Government Scholarship Program for Foreign Citizens – Special Programs, AMEXCID 1 March 2013. Date of Access: 7 July 2013. <http://amexcid.gob.mx/index.php/es/component/content/article/154-oferta-de-becas-para-extranjeros/1738-countries-participating-in-the-2013-mexican-government-scholarship-program-for-foreign-citizens-special-programs>.

³⁶⁵⁸ Executive Order No. 1086, Government of Russia 30 June 2010. Date of Access: 27 November 2012. <http://government.consultant.ru/page.aspx?8411;1288628>.

³⁶⁵⁹ Russia Provides Model for School Meals in CIS, World Food Programme 18 March 2010. Date of Access: 27 November 2012. www.wfp.org/stories/russia-provides-model-school-meals-cis.

³⁶⁶⁰ Executive Order No. 2172, Government of Russia 23 November 2012. <http://www.government.ru/gov/results/21613/>.

³⁶⁶¹ Executive Order No. 2153, Government of Russia 22 November 2012. <http://www.government.ru/gov/results/21596/>.

³⁶⁶² Executive Order No. 960-p, Government of Russia 14 June 2013. <http://government.ru/docs/2398>.

In August 2012, Russia and Armenia signed a memorandum of cooperation on strengthening Armenia's health system capacity through tropical diseases surveillance. Russia will deliver laboratorial equipment and train Armenian specialists.³⁶⁶³

Russian has also participated in the Rapid Social Response Program with a contribution of USD50 million. The Program is a "dedicated facility to streamline crisis support to the poor and vulnerable focused on social interventions." Around 90% of the program's funds are allocated to building safety nets and protecting access to basic services such as maintaining nutrition.³⁶⁶⁴

During the compliance period Russia has taken actions to assist LICs in capacity building for implementing nationally determined social protection floors bilaterally and multilaterally. Thus, it has been awarded a score of +1.

Analyst: Mark Rakhmangulov

Saudi Arabia: +1

Saudi Arabia has fully complied with the commitment on social protection floors.

Saudi Arabia has taken actions to promote the creation of nationally designed social protection floors unilaterally.

In 2012 the Saudi Fund for Development (SFD) focused on supporting several sectors including the social infrastructure sector. The funds offered to this sector were utilized in constructing schools, universities, health centers, etc. in Malawi, Mozambique, Lesotho, Mauritania, Tunisia, Ghana, Egypt and Bosnia and Herzegovina. One of the basic objectives of SFD is to participate in financing of development projects in developing countries through loans. During the period of monitoring in 2012, the fund signed SAR112.5 million (USD30 million) loan agreement to finance the new university campus in Nouakchot, Mauritania. The purpose of this loan is to support the national education program in Mauritania though providing infrastructure, equipment and training for the project execution unit.³⁶⁶⁵

Saudi Arabia has also taken actions to promote the creation of nationally designed social protection floors multilaterally.

Saudi Arabia participates in the Islamic Development Bank (IDB), the purpose of which is to foster the economic development and social progress of member countries and Muslim communities individually as well as jointly in accordance with the principles of Islamic Law. Saudi Arabia accounts for the largest share of the IDB capital among its 56 members —

³⁶⁶³ On Signing a memorandum of cooperation with Armenia, Rospotrebnadzor 6 August 2012.
<http://bit.ly/11U6J1Y>.

³⁶⁶⁴ The Russian Federation ODA. National Report.
<http://www1.minfin.ru/common/img/uploaded/library/2012/05/PresentationEng2012-0.pdf>

³⁶⁶⁵ Report 2012, The Saudi Fund for Development. Date of Access: 7 July 2013.
<http://www.sfd.gov.sa/cs/groups/public/documents/document/mdaw/mjuy/~edisp/121-37-3703-document-252051.pdf>.

26.57%.³⁶⁶⁶ In 2012 interventions of IDB in the social sectors amounted to USD 750.9 million, of which USD281.5 million was for 25 education operations and USD469.4 million for 26 operations in the health sector, including projects in such low-income countries like Chad, Benin, Burkina Faso, Mali, etc. The fund has contributed to the development of the education and health systems of these countries not only by providing infrastructure and equipment but also through training of personnel, supporting non-governmental health organizations, strengthening the capacity of the national education and healthcare programs and supporting efforts of these countries in the sphere of social protection.³⁶⁶⁷

During the compliance period Saudi Arabia has taken actions to assist LICs in capacity building for implementing nationally determined social protection floors both unilaterally and multilaterally. Thus, it has been awarded a score of +1.

Analyst: Tatyana Lanshina

South Africa: 0

South Africa has partially complied with the commitment on social protection floors.

South Africa supports implementation of social protection floors in the LICs mainly through multilateral instruments. One of the examples is the IBSA Facility for Poverty and Hunger Alleviation Fund established in 2004 by India, Brazil and South Africa. Each of these countries provides “an equal amount to the Fund which is managed by the UNDP Special Unit for South-South Cooperation.”³⁶⁶⁸ The following relevant projects are currently being implemented in South Africa’s neighboring countries: Strengthening Infrastructure and Capacity to Combat HIV/AIDS in Burundi, Leadership Development and Capacity Building for Human Development and Poverty Reduction in Sierra Leone (support of human resource planning and management, strategy and policy development, implementation and monitoring of delivery), Refurbishment of Health Care Infrastructure in Cape Verde.³⁶⁶⁹

During the compliance period South Africa has taken actions to assist LICs in capacity building for implementing nationally determined social protection floors multilaterally but no facts of South Africa’s actions through bilateral cooperation have been found. Thus, it has been awarded a score of 0.

Analyst: Lyudmila Tarasenko

³⁶⁶⁶ Member countries, Islamic Development Bank. Date of Access: 7 July 2013.
http://www.isdb.org/irj/servlet/prt/portal/prtpos/com!252esap!252eportal!252enavigation!252eportallauncher!252eanonymous!7b!3b2!7d/prttarget/pcd!253aportal_content!252fidb!252een!252eIDBEnglish!252fcom!252eidb!252eenglish!252eIDBApplications!252fcom!252eidb!252eenglish!252eFrameworkContents!252fcom!252eidb!252eenglish!252eDesktop_Rules!252fcom!252eidb!252eenglish!252eIDBEnglish!252fframeworkPages!252fIDBInternetEnLightFrame.com!252esap!252eportal!252elightinnerpage.com!252esap!252eportal!252elightcontentarea.content.com!252eidb!252eenglish!252eMembercountries/prteventname/HtmlbEvent/prtroot/com.sap.portal.navigation.portallauncher.anonymous.

³⁶⁶⁷ Annual Report 2012, Islamic Development Bank. Date of Access: 7 July 2013.

http://www.isdb.org/irj/go/km/docs/documents/IDBDevelopments/Internet/English/IDB/CM/Publications/Annual_Reports/38th/AnnualReport38.pdf.

³⁶⁶⁸ Providing development aid to Africa: comparing South Africa with China, India and Brazil, SAFPI Policy Brief 25. <http://www.safpi.org/publications/providing-development-aid-africa-comparing-south-africa-china-india-and-brazil>.

³⁶⁶⁹ IBSA, UNDP. <http://tcdc2.undp.org/IBSA/Default.aspx>.

Turkey: +1

Turkey has fully complied with the commitment on social protection floors.

Turkey has taken actions to promote the creation of nationally designed social protection floors bilaterally.

On 23 November 2012, the Turkish Cooperation and Development Agency (TIKA) pledged to invest USD1 million in reconstructing Cancer Center for children in Dushanbe, Tajikistan. The total sum of money TIKA has invested in development projects in Tajikistan amounted to USD12 million. Officials from TIKA plan to continue implementing initiatives aimed at strengthening health system in Tajikistan. Some of them were discussed at the meeting of TIKA coordinator in Dushanbe and Turkish ambassador in Tajikistan with Tajik officials in October 2012.³⁶⁷⁰

On 1 December 2012, TIKA provided technical equipment for the Holistic Education Foundation's lyceum in Nairobi, Kenya. This contribution is a part of Turkish activities to improve educational system in Kenya.³⁶⁷¹

On 9 May 2013, TIKA opened a four-classroom local school building in Togo. The new school will provide elementary education for about 500 pupils.³⁶⁷²

Turkey has taken actions to promote the creation of nationally designed social protection floors on a multilateral level.

On 26-28 June 2013, TIKA, the Islamic Solidarity Fund for Development (ISFD) and Statistical, Social and Economic Research and Training Centre for Islamic Countries (SESRIC) organized a workshop on Innovative Solutions to Poverty in Ankara. TIKA and its partners, which are subsidiary bodies of the Organization for Islamic Cooperation (OIC), brought together several international institutions and NGOs to discuss the ways to reduce poverty, in particular measures in the spheres of health and social housing, in the OIC member countries, including LICs (Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Benin, Burkina Faso, Chad, Comoros, Gambia, Guinea, Guinea Bissau, Kyrgyzstan, Mali, Mauritania, Mozambique, Niger, Sierra Leone, Somalia, Tajikistan, Togo and Uganda).³⁶⁷³

During the compliance period Turkey has taken actions to assist LICs in capacity building for implementing nationally determined social protection floors both bilaterally and multilaterally. Thus, it has been awarded a score of +1.

Analyst: Nadezhda Sporysheva

³⁶⁷⁰ Tika'dan Tacikistan'a Büyük Yatırım: Çocuk Kanseri Merkezi, Turkish Cooperation and Development Agency 23 October 2012. Date of Access: 4 February 2012. <http://www.tika.gov.tr/haber/tikadan-tacikistana-buyuk-yatirim-cocuk-kanser-merkezi/403>.

³⁶⁷¹ Tika'dan Kenya'da Eğitime Katkı Sağlayacak Proje Turkish Cooperation and Development Agency 1 December 2012. Date of Access: 31 January 2013. <http://www.tika.gov.tr/haber/tikadan-kenyada-egitime-katki-saglayacak-proje/404>.

³⁶⁷² TOGO'DA EĞİTİME TİKA'DAN DESTEK, Turkish Cooperation and Development Agency 9 May 2013. Date of Access: 4 July 2013. <http://www.tika.gov.tr/haber/togoda-egitime-tikadan-destek/593>.

³⁶⁷³ ISFD, SESRIC and TIKA Convene a Workshop on Innovative Solutions to Poverty in Ankara, Turkey, Islamic Solidarity Fund for Development 24 June 2013. Date of Access: 5 July 2013. <http://isfd.isdb.org/EN/NewsandCalendar/ISFD-news/Pages/The-Islamic-Solidarity-Fund-for-Development,-SESRIC-and-TIKA-Convene-a-Workshop-on-Innovative-Solutions-to-Poverty-in-Ankar.aspx>.

United Kingdom: +1

The United Kingdom has fully complied with the commitment on social protection floors.

On 20 September 2012, Minister for International Development at the UK Department for International Development Lynne Featherstone confirmed support of the British Government for thirteen new programs of the Sightsavers organization which will be focused on innovative ways to improve health for people living in poor countries, including Bangladesh and Malawi.³⁶⁷⁴

On 26 September 2012, the UK became a part of a new partnership between the Clinton Health Access Initiative, the Governments of Norway, the US and Sweden, the Children's Investment Fund Foundation, the pharmaceutical firm Bayer HealthCare AG and other groups which will increase access to contraceptives for 27 million women and girls in some of the world's poorest countries to avert more than 280,000 children and 30,000 maternal deaths.³⁶⁷⁵

On 2 October 2012, during the visit to Kenya Development Secretary Justine Greening made the pledge to strengthen the resilience of the local health systems.³⁶⁷⁶

On 3 October 2012, Secretary Greening announced that the UK will work in partnership with the Government of Somalia to improve the Government's capacity to manage its public resources to provide better social services, including schools and clinics.³⁶⁷⁷

On 7 December 2012, Secretary Greening announced a new project, under which development experts with experts from the Department for International Development and nonprofit organization the Global Impact Investing Network will support unlocking new private investment in projects, including health and education services, that help people in poor countries, including Ethiopia and Kenya, to pull themselves out of poverty.³⁶⁷⁸

On 10 December 2012 the collaboration between the Global Alliance for Vaccines and Immunization and mobile group Vodafone was backed by Development Secretary of the UK Justine Greening. A new innovative partnership will increase childhood vaccination levels in sub-Saharan Africa (which include LICs) with the help of mobile technologies. The measures will include alerting mothers to the availability of vaccinations by text messages, enabling health workers to access health records and schedule appointments through their phones and helping health facilities in remote locations monitor stocks to ensure that vaccinations are available when

³⁶⁷⁴ Health: New Innovations to Help Visually Impaired People, Department of the International Development of the UK 20 September 2012. Date of Access: 28 January 2013. <http://www.dfid.gov.uk/News/Latest-news/2012/Innovation-New-ideas-to-improve-health-across-Africa-and-Asia/>

³⁶⁷⁵ Family Planning: Contraceptives for 27m Women and Girls, Department of the International Development of the UK 26 September 2012. Date of Access: 28 January 2013. <http://www.dfid.gov.uk/News/Latest-news/2012/Family-planning-New-partnership-to-save-thousands-of-mums-and-babies/>

³⁶⁷⁶ Horn of Africa: Targeted Aid to Help Prevent Food Crises, Department of the International Development of the UK 2 October 2012. Date of Access: 28 January 2013. <http://www.dfid.gov.uk/News/Latest-news/2012/Horn-of-africa-preventing-future-food-disasters/>

³⁶⁷⁷ Somalia: UK Support for New Government, Department of the International Development of the UK 3 October 2012. Date of Access: 28 January 2013. <http://www.dfid.gov.uk/News/Latest-news/2012/Somalia-UK-aid-to-improve-health-and-education-for-thousands/>

³⁶⁷⁸ Business: UK Impact Investments to Boost Development, Department of the International Development of the UK 7 December 2012. Date of Access: 28 January 2013. <http://www.dfid.gov.uk/News/Latest-news/2012/Impact-investments-to-boost-development/>

mothers and children arrive. The UK Government will match Vodafone's contribution with a USD1.5 million contribution to GAVI.³⁶⁷⁹

On 7 January 2013, the UK set out its commitments on international development over the next two years and confirmed that among other tasks it will support primary education for 11 million children in developing countries.³⁶⁸⁰

On 14 February 2013, Deputy Prime Minister Nick Clegg announced a new education project which would help 89,000 girls in Mozambique and Ethiopia gain an education.³⁶⁸¹

On 18 March 2013, Development Secretary Justine Greening at the meeting with Malawian President Joyce Banda announced the new UK package of GBP21 million to tackle HIV and AIDS in Malawi.³⁶⁸²

On 27 March 2013, Foreign Secretary William Hague in a joint statement with the International Development Secretary Justine Greening announced the new GBP179 million (USD266 million) five-year healthcare programme in the Democratic Republic of the Congo. The programme will include providing emergency obstetric care, ensuring trained health workers are present at births, vaccination against measles and training health professionals to care for survivors of sexual and gender based violence.³⁶⁸³

On 24 April 2013, Department for International Development of the UK published information that it will invest GBP47 million (USD70 million) over 3 years into three new education programmes for girls in some of the poorest rural areas of Afghanistan.³⁶⁸⁴

On 5 June 2013, International Development Minister Alan Duncan announced that DFID will be funding initiatives that bring buyers, manufacturers, workers, NGOs and the government of Bangladesh together to agree a set of common standards for workers' safety in Bangladesh.³⁶⁸⁵

³⁶⁷⁹ Technology: Mobile Phones to Increase Take up of Vaccines, Department of the International Development of the UK 10 December 2012. Date of Access: 28 January 2013.

³⁶⁸⁰ Aid Commitments: Britain Sets out Pledges for UK Aid, Department of the International Development of the UK 7 January 2013. Date of Access: 28 January 2013. <http://www.dfid.gov.uk/News/Latest-news/2013/Aid-commitments-britain-sets-out-pledges-for-UK-aid/>

³⁶⁸¹ Girls & Women: New Education Project to Transform Lives, Department of the International Development of the UK 14 February 2013. Date of Access: 28 January 2013. <https://www.gov.uk/government/news/girls-women-new-education-project-to-transform-lives>

³⁶⁸² UK to Provide Additional Support to Tackle HIV and AIDS in Malawi, as Well as Support for Wider Healthcare, Department of the International Development of the UK 18 March 2013. Date of Access: 5 July 2013. <https://www.gov.uk/government/news/new-support-to-tackle-hiv-and-aids-in-malawi>

³⁶⁸³ New British Boost for Healthcare in DR Congo, Department of the International Development of the UK 27 March 2013. Date of Access: 5 July 2013. <https://www.gov.uk/government/news/new-british-boost-for-healthcare-in-drc>

³⁶⁸⁴ Girls in Afghanistan are to Get Access to a Quality Education Thanks to 3 New Education Programmes, Department of the International Development of the UK 24 April 2013. Date of Access: 5 July 2013. <https://www.gov.uk/government/news/uk-support-to-get-250000-afghan-girls-into-education>

³⁶⁸⁵ UK to Act on Safety Standards for Workers in Bangladesh, Department of the International Development of the UK 5 June 2013. Date of Access: 5 July 2013. <https://www.gov.uk/government/news/uk-to-act-on-safety-standards-for-workers-in-bangladesh>

During the compliance period the UK has taken actions to assist LICs in capacity building for implementing nationally determined social protection floors bilaterally and multilaterally. Thus, it has been awarded a score of +1.

Analyst: Natalia Churkina

United States: +1

The US has fully complied with the commitment on social protection floors.

During the period under review, the US continued to implement its program on rebuilding basic health services in Liberia. This project is aimed at increasing access to quality health care and at upgrading health facilities. The measures include training, building community partnerships, improving clinical standards, etc.³⁶⁸⁶ The US also supported strengthening health systems in a number of other countries, including Cambodia.³⁶⁸⁷

Just before the start of the monitoring period, on 14-15 June 2012, the Governments of the United States, India and Ethiopia together with the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) convened the "Child Survival Call to Action" forum in Washington, D.C.³⁶⁸⁸ More than 160 governments, including the low-income countries, signed a pledge to renew their commitment to child survival, to eliminate all preventable child mortality in two decades. At the events technical experts from different countries worked together in nutrition, malaria, prevention of mother-to-child transmission (PMTCT) of HIV, maternal and newborn health, family planning and immunization, and other areas critical to child survival. After the event these experts have been working across their fields to identify the strategies and investments to stop preventable child deaths.³⁶⁸⁹ By June 2013, more than 400 civil society and religious organizations and over 2,000 individuals had offered their support to this project.³⁶⁹⁰

On 17 October 2012, USAID launched a project to promote early grade reading in Haiti, which is aimed at supporting the efforts of Haiti's Ministry of National Education and Vocational Training (MENFP) to increase the number of literate youth. Apart from developing materials for children and curricula that allow children to learn how to read easier, USAID provides training for more than 900 teachers.³⁶⁹¹

On 16-18 January 2013, delegates from 20 African countries, including the low-income ones, met in Addis Abeba to discuss child survival policy and scaling-up of high-impact interventions such as skilled birth attendants, newborn care, etc. The meeting was hosted by Ethiopia. Technical,

³⁶⁸⁶ Rebuilding Basic Health Services (RBHS), USAID. Date of Access: 13 February 2013. <http://liberia.usaid.gov/RBHS>.

³⁶⁸⁷ Health Systems Strengthening, USAID/Cambodia. Date of Access: 13 February 2013. <http://cambodia.usaid.gov/node/154>.

³⁶⁸⁸ Ethiopia hosts African Ministers of Health and world experts to spur gains in child survival, UNICEF 9 January 2013. Date of Access: 9 February 2013. http://www.unicef.org/media/media_67165.html.

³⁶⁸⁹ A Call to Action, A Promise Renewed. Date of Access: 9 February 2013. http://www.apromiserenewed.org/A_Call_to_Action.html.

³⁶⁹⁰ Special Event: Child Survival Call to Action One Year Later, Maternal and Child Health Integrated Program. Date of Access: 3 July 2013. <http://www.mchip.net/node/1851>.

³⁶⁹¹ USAID Launches New Early Grade Reading Project in Haiti, USAID 17 October 2012. Date of Access: 13 February 2013. <http://usaid.gov/news-information/press-releases/usaid-launches-new-early-grade-reading-project-haiti>.

logistical and communication support for the meeting was provided by the United States Agency for International Development (USAID) and UNICEF Ethiopia.³⁶⁹²

On 18 January 2013, the newly rehabilitated Health Center in Ouanaminthe, a border town in Northeast Haiti, was opened. The USAID Office of Transition Initiatives (OTI) had contributed to repairing and modernization of the facility. USAID is also providing the Ouanaminthe Health Center with integrated priority health services, including child and maternal care, family planning, treatment of HIV/ AIDS and tuberculosis.³⁶⁹³

On 13 February 2013, USAID announced a 5-year USD60 million grant to a locally-led consortium Families and Communities for the Elimination of Pediatric HIV (FACE-Pediatric HIV) in Zimbabwe. This initiative supports the National Prevention of Mother to Child Transmission (PMTCT) Program of the Ministry of Health and Child Welfare, which aims to eliminate new HIV infections of children and improve the survival of mothers and children.³⁶⁹⁴

On 21 March 2013, USAID and Higher Education for Development (HED) announced its new Women's Leadership Program in a number of developing countries, including one low-income country — Rwanda. Five universities in the United States have been selected to partner with higher education institutions in the targeted countries to promote and develop curricula and opportunities for women in business, agriculture, and education, which provides support to the main national and local development goals. The funding from USAID amounts approximately USD8.75 million.³⁶⁹⁵

In April 2013, USAID revealed its plans to launch a five-year basic education initiative to improve the reading skills of approximately 2.7 million children in Kenya by 2018. The aim of the project is to improve government capacity to implement reading-related policies, to increase community engagement and to create a sustainable national reading program in public and private schools in Kenya.³⁶⁹⁶

During the compliance period the US has taken actions to assist LICs in capacity building for implementing nationally determined social protection floors bilaterally and multilaterally. Thus, it has been awarded a score of +1.

Analyst: Tatyana Lanshina

³⁶⁹² African Leaders Meet in Ethiopia to Reduce Child Deaths, UNICEF 7 February 2013. Date of Access: 9 February 2013. <http://www.unicefusa.org/news/news-from-the-field/african-leaders-meet-in-ethiopia-on-child-survival.html>.

³⁶⁹³ Haitian Minister of Health and U.S. Ambassador Inaugurate Ouanaminthe Health Center to Improve Health Services in the North, Embassy of the United States in Port au Prince, Haiti 23 January 2013. Date of Access: 3 July 2013. <http://haiti.usembassy.gov/pr-ouanaminthe-health-center-january-23-2013.html>.

³⁶⁹⁴ US provides \$60 million to Zimbabwe's efforts to eliminate Mother to Child Transmission of HIV, USAID Southern Africa 14 February 2013. Date of Access: 3 July 2013. http://sa.usaid.gov/southern_africa/content/us-provides-60-million-zimbabwes-efforts-eliminate-mother-child-transmission-hiv.

³⁶⁹⁵ USAID and HED Announce Women's Leadership Program for Armenia, Paraguay, Rwanda, and South Sudan, USAID 21 March 2013. Date of Access: 3 July 2013. <http://www.usaid.gov/news-information/press-releases/usaaid-and-hed-announce-womens-leadership-program-armenia-paraguay>.

³⁶⁹⁶ Section C - Statement of Work, Kenya Early Grade Reading Project, USAID/Kenya Office of Education and Youth 30 April 2013. Date of Access: 3 July 2013. http://kenya.usaid.gov/sites/default/files/KEGRP_Draft_SOW_-_30_April_2013.pdf.

European Union: +1

The European Union has fully complied with the commitment on social protection floors.

On 8 November 2012, EU Commissioner for Development Andris Piebalgs announced EUR42 million program for rehabilitating health centres, providing medical equipment, training health staff and other activities aimed at improving health services in Liberia.³⁶⁹⁷

On 21 December 2012, the European Union and the Republic of Guinea signed an agreement for cooperation. In the framework of the agreement the European Development Fund will provide EUR174.3 million for Guinea development, including EUR20 million for health services.³⁶⁹⁸

On 28 January 2013, the European Commission and Afghan Minister of Finance Omar Zakhilwal signed two financing agreements worth EUR185 million to support new programs with one of them in the healthcare sphere. The health program will provide basic health care for 14 million people (almost half of the population) in Afghanistan. It will also support the Ministry of Public Health in ensuring the implementation of the national health strategy “Health for all Afghans.”³⁶⁹⁹

On 6 June 2013, the European Commission announced that it will invest EUR3 million to complete the construction of two important hospitals in Mozambique.³⁷⁰⁰

On 25 September 2012, the EU has decided to provide additional support to the African Union Mission in Somalia — an African Union-led mission, mandated by the UN Security Council (AMISOM). EU support will include medical care.³⁷⁰¹

During the compliance period EU has taken actions to assist LICs in capacity building for implementing nationally determined social protection floors bilaterally and multilaterally. Thus, it has been awarded a score of +1.

Analyst: Natalia Churkina

³⁶⁹⁷ New EU Support to Save Lives of Mothers in Liberia, European Commission 8 November 2012. Date of Access: 5 February 2013. http://europa.eu/rapid/press-release_IP-12-1186_en.htm

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