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SUBJECT: Validation of project proposal *"The role of off-farm activities on rural farming households in Lesotho: a gender perspective"*

Dear Prof. Mariara,

With this letter, I wish to confirm that, based on my personal experience and knowledge of the current priorities and mandate of the "Bureau of Statistics", the objectives (listed below) stated in the project proposal *"The role of off-farm activities on rural farming households in Lesotho: a gender perspective"* are indeed aligned with these priorities and shall contribute to informing policy advisory and decision processes within the Government of "Lesotho".

The objectives in question are:

- To analyse the effects of non-farm activities on income and consumption
- To analyse the distributional effects of off-farm activities on women employment
- To assess the linkages between off-farm activities and farming activities.

I am aware also that the following staff/members of the "Bureau of Statistics" contributed to drafting the project proposal jointly with a team of local researchers.

- "Mabokang Makopela Bello"


I am aware and in agreement that if the project were to be selected for support, these staff/members would have to be made available to achieve a series of deliverables, including in-person participation in events abroad, some of which may last up to a full business week.

Therefore, even though my institution is not officially involved directly in this initiative, I, as the head of that institution, hereby confirm that I am fully supportive and in agreement with its implementation.

Shall you have any concerns or queries regarding the above, you may contact me Malehloa Celina Molato – Director BOS by email at "cmolato@gmail.com"

Signature

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Date

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