Proposed Criteria for Selection of ENOF Priority Countries

In view of its global mandate as the United Nations agency for cities and other human settlements, UN-Habitat should ideally be able to respond to request for technical assistance emanating from any member state. Limited human and financial resources, however, and the need to focus on well-defined priorities consistent with the medium-term strategic and institutional plan and the biennial work programmes, constitute major parameters which must be taken into account in responding to request. The need for geographical balance and for efficiency in the delivery of support services should also be acknowledged.

The main selection criteria for the Enhanced Normative and Operational Framework (ENOF) that aims at enhancing cohesion, alignment, collaboration and guiding UN-Habitat in-country activities are:

a. Thematic consistency with the focus areas of the medium-term strategic and institutional plan and the biennial work programmes;

b. Inter-divisional normative and operational work at country level (at least two divisions should be working in the selected country);

c. Financial and political commitments by national Government and their partners, including external partners such as development banks;

d. Inclusion in a Habitat country programme document or a United Nations development assistance framework as an agreed country priority;

e. Availability of international support to complement national resources in funding UN-Habitat inputs and to ensure follow-up actions;

f. Past experience and knowledge by UN-Habitat in a given country and cost-effectiveness of UN-Habitat interventions;

g. Actual and potential cooperation with other United Nations agencies under the delivering as one framework;

h. Potential for scaling up and disseminating, including at the regional and global levels, particularly through South-South cooperation;

i. Need for geographical balance need prioritization for least developed countries.
ENOF PRIORITY COUNTRIES
(2010 – 2011)

AFRICA

1) Burkina Faso
2) DR Congo
3) Ghana
4) Kenya
5) Liberia
6) Mozambique
7) Nigeria
8) Senegal
9) Uganda
10) Tanzania
11) Cape Verde

ARAB STATES

12) Egypt
13) Iraq
14) Libya
15) Sudan
16) Somalia
17) Lebanon

ASIA AND THE PACIFIC

18) Bangladesh
19) Indonesia
20) Nepal
21) Pakistan
22) Philippines
23) Sri Lanka
24) Vanuatu
25) Vietnam

LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARRIBBEAN

26) Colombia
27) Ecuador
28) Haiti
29) Nicaragua