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Summary

The present note contains information on the extensions of UNFPA country programmes. First-time extensions of country programmes up to one year are approved by the Executive Director, and presented to the Executive Board for information. All other requests for extensions of country programmes are submitted to the Executive Board for approval.

The Executive Board may wish to take note of the first one-year extension of the country programme for the Dominican Republic, as presented in the table.

Table
Extensions of country programmes approved by the Executive Director

<i>Country</i>	<i>Original programme period</i>	<i>Period approved for extension</i>	<i>Reason for extension</i>
Dominican Republic	2012-2016	2017	Within the context of its 2030 National Development Strategy, the Government of the Dominican Republic is currently implementing its four-year programme 2012-2016. Following elections in 2016, the new Government will define the national priorities, which will inform the next cycle of the United Nations Development Assistance Framework (UNDAF). The Government and the United Nations Country Team agreed to extend the current UNDAF by one year, through 2017, to align it with the national planning cycle. No major changes to the country programme are foreseen. UNFPA will continue to focus support on strengthening capacities of national institutions and civil society: in sexual and reproductive health; development and participation of young people; and efforts against gender-based violence.