

Tirana, 22 April 2026

Subject: UNICEF Country Programme Document 2027–2031 – Alignment with the UN Cooperation Framework

Dear Mr. Şahin,

I am writing in response to the submission of the UNICEF Country Programme Document (CPD) 2027–2031.

Following a careful review, I am pleased to confirm that the CPD is aligned with the draft Government of Albania – United Nations Cooperation Framework 2027–2031 (Cooperation Framework), which was submitted to the Government on 11 March 2026 for review and endorsement. Whilst we await the government’s endorsement, I can also confirm that an extensive consultation process has been undertaken together with government with, in principle confirmation of the outcome level priorities at our last Joint Executive Committee on 15 January 2026 and in subsequent government dialogues.

The UNICEF draft CPD effectively contributes to two out of the three strategic priorities outlined in the Cooperation Framework: (i) Inclusive Human Capital Development; and (iii) Governance, Justice and Human Rights. The draft CPD outcomes and outputs are reformulated (not verbatim) to the Cooperation Framework to reflect UNICEF’s programmatic approach. In addition, UNICEF-specific indicators are duly identified and reflected within the Cooperation Framework Results Framework.

We appreciate UNICEF’s active engagement throughout the Cooperation Framework design process and look forward to the effective and coordinated implementation of this programme, contributing to the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals in alignment with national development priorities.

Thank you for your continued partnership.

Yours sincerely,



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