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Approved Mission Itinerary: BKK-Phnom Penh -BKK	List of Annexes:
Inclusive Travel Dates: 27-31 Jan. 2014	Key counterpart(s) in each location: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CMB: UNDP CO (Moeko Saito-Jensen, Napoleon Navarro) • CMB: Secretariat staff (Thy Heang, Kimhy Lun, Peter Iversen)

Purpose/Objectives of Mission
To prepare for FCPF Inception Workshop

Context
The FCPF project document was signed on 25 December, 2013. The Inception Workshop is planned for 14 March, 2014. The CO initially proposed to hire a “start-up advisor” to prepare for the Inception Workshop. However, due both to concerns over the time taken to recruit such an advisor and to the importance of ensuring a high quality Inception workshop for the first country for which UNDP is the FCPF DP, it was decided that I would assist the CO and RTS in the preparations.

The mission also sought to develop proposals for follow-up to Cambodia’s engagement in a regional REDD+ gender assessment in preparation for a regional workshop in March in Bangkok.

Summary of Mission Activities/ Findings
The following documents were prepared/drafted:

AWP 2014. FCPF funding is critical in filling a budgetary shortfall in the UN-REDD Programme. An draft AWP was prepared accordingly and discussed with CO and RTS. The draft workplan was considerably more ambitious than a projection prepared by the CO. Actions to reconcile the differences continue.

Proposal for management arrangements. Implementation arrangements for the FCPF will differ from those of UN-REDD in two ways. Firstly, there is no direct role for GDANCP, and secondly FA will appoint a NPM, a role which was absent from UN-REDD, with the Head of the RTS undertaking NPM activities. This could lead to issues for any project staff that might find themselves reporting to both the NPM and Head of the RTS. Extensive discussions on this issue resulted in an agreement that the FCPF project would hire two categories of staff – those recruited solely for implementation of the FCPF, reporting to the NPM, and those serving as full-time RTS staff, reporting to the Head of the RTS. The details of each position are still under discussion.

Plans for Inception Workshop. A draft agenda was prepared and a concept paper with budget. A simplified risk log, to be used during the Inception Workshop, was prepared.

FCPF SOP. Reflecting the different implementation arrangements for the FCPF, the SOP prepared for UN-REDD need to be adjusted accordingly. A draft FCPF SOP was prepared for review by the RTS Admin Officer.

All of these arrangements and the supporting documents were presented to a meeting of CO and RTS staff.

Regarding the gender work, the Cambodia country study was reviewed, key issues extracted and used to prepare proposed initiatives to strengthen women’s involvement in REDD+ in Cambodia. These proposals were discussed with CO and RTS staff, but not with the NPD who was on mission at the time.

Follow up actions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Boyle: Mission in February to continue preparations 	Distribution List: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tim Clairs, UN-REDD UNDP PTA
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