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To: Director General António Vitorino  
Coordinator, The United Nations Network on Migration

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Re: Congratulations on the Launch of the Migration MPTF

Dear Director General Vitorino,

On the behalf of the Civil Society Action Committee Secretariat and our civil society members around the world, we take this opportunity to wish you a big congratulations on the launch of the Start Up Fund for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration (Migration MPTF) in New York today.

The Migration MPTF will be significant for its vital purpose to provide seed-funding and partnering with other sources of UN funds to realize the complementary objectives of the Global Compact for Migration (GCM) and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development (SDGs).

While the Migration MPTF will primarily fund UN agencies, the GCM that it supports calls for a “*whole-of-society approach*” and promotes “*broad multi-stakeholder partnerships*”. As such, we expect many civil society co-implementors of the GCM at all levels to also benefit from the Fund in joint interventions with UN agencies. We hope the Fund will indeed contribute to increased joint collaboration between UN agencies and civil society organizations as equal partners in migration governance.

We urge you then, to encourage UN member states to invest liberally in the Migration MPTF. Only with sizable and significant states’ support of the Fund can it fully achieve its intended purpose in supporting the realization of GCM objectives and complementary SDGs, as called for by states themselves.

For our part, we pledge to support the activation of the Fund in any way that we can, including supporting potential civil society members of the Fund’s Steering Committee. We also look forward to further strengthening our cooperation with the UN Migration Network through the Fund.

Sincerely,



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