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and
Papua New Guinea**

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aux projets)
et
Papouasie-Nouvelle-Guinée**

Échange de lettres constituant un accord entre le Bureau des Nations Unies pour les services d'appui aux projets (UNOPS) et l'État indépendant de Papouasie-Nouvelle-Guinée concernant l'établissement d'un bureau de l'UNOPS en Papouasie-Nouvelle-Guinée. Copenhague, 19 octobre 2018, et Waigani, 8 février 2019

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Copenhagen, 19 October 2018

His Excellency Mr. Rimbink Pato
Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade
Independent State of Papua New Guinea

Excellency,

I have the honour to refer to the proposed establishment of an Office of the United Nations Office for Project Services (UNOPS) in the Independent State of Papua New Guinea. It is to be recalled that by General Assembly decision 48/501, UNOPS was established as a subsidiary organ of the United Nations to provide, *inter alia*, sustainable project, procurement and infrastructure management services for the benefit of the member countries of the United Nations.

I also have the honour to refer to the Standard Basic Assistance Agreement between the Government of Papua New Guinea and the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), concluded on 7 April 1981 (the "Agreement"), and propose that the terms of the Agreement apply, *mutatis mutandis*, to UNOPS and its property, funds, assets, and officials, and to all persons performing services on behalf of UNOPS, while UNOPS is present in Papua New Guinea.

Moreover, I have the honour to propose that in applying the Agreement, *mutatis mutandis*, the Government confirms that the treatment afforded to UNOPS shall be no less favourable than that afforded to any accredited diplomatic mission or international organization in Papua New Guinea.

Furthermore, the Government shall provide to UNOPS and its personnel, throughout Papua New Guinea, such security as is required for the effective performance of its activities. To this end, the appropriate authorities of Papua New Guinea shall ensure the security and protection of the premises and personnel, and exercise due diligence to ensure that the tranquillity of the premises is not disturbed by the unauthorized entry of persons or groups of persons from outside or by disturbances in its immediate vicinity.