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Attn: Middle East and North Africa
Transition Fund Steering Committee

Subject: Endorsement of the Jordan Economic legislation Reform Programmatic Technical Assistance

Dear Sir/Madam,

The World Bank is pleased to endorse the Jordan Economic Legislation Technical Assistance Program presented by the Government of Jordan to the Middle East and North Africa Transition Fund Steering Committee and to act as the Implementation Support Agency for this project.

If approved by the MNA Transition Fund, the proposed project would support Jordan's implementation plans to reform its Investment Climate, in line with its recently-released Jordan 2025 Vision. The Jordanian authorities see this program as a crucial input towards meeting the country's growth objectives through promoting domestic and foreign investment, increasing innovation and competitiveness.

The objective of the proposed project is to support the Government of Jordan to modernize critical laws and regulations governing business activities in line with international best practices and help introduce a sustainable mechanism to enhance the quality of regulatory delivery. It is expected that the reformed regulatory environment for businesses would enable more private sector investments and help foster job creation.

The project has been prepared according to World Bank policies and procedures. It is proposed as a programmatic Technical Assistance project financed under a World Bank-executed trust fund. It would follow the World Bank's standard operational policies and procedures, including procurement and financial management policies.

We thank the steering Committee for its consideration of this project and look forward to the opportunity to support the Government in implementing these reforms.

Sincerely yours,

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