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Mr. Dmitry Kumsishvili
Minister of Finance
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Tbilisi, Georgia

***RE: Poverty Assessment and Gender Assessment Technical Assistance Notification of
Mission
October 2-4, 2017***

Dear Mr. Minister:

I would like to inform you of the upcoming visit to Georgia on October 2-4, 2017 of the Bank's project team responsible for Programmatic Poverty Assessment and Gender Assessment Technical Assessment (TA). The mission team will comprise of Mr. Alan Fuchs, Senior Economist (Poverty and Equity), and Mr. Cesar Cancho, Economist (Poverty and Equity); and will count on support from Ms. Tamuna Namicheishvili, Program Assistant, from the Tbilisi Country Office.

The objectives of the mission are as follows: (a) introduce to local counterparts Mr. Alan Fuchs, new co-Task Team Leader of the Programmatic Poverty Assessment and Gender Assessment TA in the South Caucasus; (b) brief local counterparts about upcoming changes in the methodology used for reporting of international poverty estimates by the World Bank; and (c) hold technical discussions with Geostat regarding the methodology used for international poverty estimates, adoption of CAPI technology for data collection and explore other potential opportunities of collaboration.

I would like to take this opportunity to renew the assurances of our highest consideration for the excellent cooperation between the Government of Georgia and the World Bank.

Sincerely,

Mr. Ozan Sevimli

Acting Head of Georgia Country Office

Cc: Mr. Davit Sergeenko, Minister of Labour, Health and Social Affairs
Mr. Niko Gagua, Deputy Minister of Finance
Mr. Davit Narmania, Mayor of Tbilisi

Mr. Giorgi Gakharia, Minister of Economy and Sustainable Development
Mr. Zaza Sopromadze, Deputy Minister of Labour, Health and Social Affairs
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