ENGAGEMENT WITH COUNTRIES POST-TRANSITION

BOARD MEETING
Santiago Cornejo
6-7 June 2018, Geneva, Switzerland
Background

The Board requested for Angola, Congo and Timor-Leste analysis of the risks to successful transition and how they could be mitigated

Key points from the analysis across the three countries:

• Post-conflict countries that from 2004 to 2014 experienced unprecedented economic growth driven by high commodity prices
• They did not benefit from substantial Gavi support receiving limited health systems investments and transition support
• Financial sustainability risks are relatively low but high risks to the performance of their immunisation programmes
Angola

Advocacy and political will strategy
EPI and human resources capacity building

- Innovative strategy for national and sub-national levels by introducing new partnerships (e.g. Brazil, private sector and learning platforms)

Strengthening service delivery to the under-immunised

- 18 peri-urban districts with ~60% of the under-immunised

- Comprehensive urban strategy:
  - Co-investment in the WB’s maternal and child health project to target these districts (only 2 are currently targeted by the project)
  - Strengthen supply chain (equipment and training), demand (SMS project) and data quality (DHIS2 co-investment with World Bank and Global Fund)
Congo Republic

Advocacy and political will strategy
EPI and human resources capacity building

• National and sub-national levels (e.g. private sector, partnering w/ bilateral agency and national training centre and learning platforms)

Strengthening supply chain

• Finalise upgrading cold-chain throughout the whole country

Demand promotion

• Nationwide scale up of SMS reminder project

Explore options for co-investment with WB
Timor-Leste

EPI and human resources capacity building

- National and sub-national levels (e.g. bolster partner capacity to fill gaps and transfer skills, twinning arrangement and partnering w/bilateral agencies and national training centre)

Catalytic vaccine support

- MR campaign and introduction of Rotavirus vaccine in routine

Strengthening supply chain

- Finalise upgrading cold-chain throughout the whole country

Strengthening governance/institutions

- Partnering with Australian institutions for NRA and NITAG strengthening

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Risks and next steps

Risk remains high in these countries despite mitigation actions

- Political will is increasing but not yet solidified
- New partnerships and approaches are promising but not proven
- Some of the challenges take time to tackle but short timeframe

PPC recommended the approval of these actions as an initial approach to post-transition engagement in these three countries

- Requested robust individual country plans for PPC review at its next meeting
- Recommended approval of sufficient funding to start implementation
Recommendation

The Gavi Alliance Programme and Policy Committee recommends to the Gavi Alliance Board that it:

a) **Approve** the initial approach to post-transition engagement in Angola, Congo Republic and Timor-Leste set out in Annex A to Doc 06;

b) **Approve** within the overall Partners Engagement Framework an additional amount of US$ 20 million for the engagement of post-transition support for Angola, Congo Republic and Timor-Leste for the period of 2018-2020; and

c) **Request** the Secretariat to present robust individual country plans for those three countries to the PPC at its next meeting.
THANK YOU