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Ms. Ericka Monger
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Caribbean Central American Action
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Washington, D.C. 20036

Reference: Cooperative Agreement 524-A-00-06-00010-00
CCAA Liquidation of Advance for January 2007

Dear Ms. Monger:

This letter is to notify you that I have determined that the detailed expense report for the referenced liquidation to be improper and am suspending from liquidation certain costs. I question these costs for the reasons described below, and request that you correct the federal cash transaction report to address these concerns and resubmit it, marking the resubmission as a corrected report. This notice complies with the requirement in 31 CFR 1315.4 entitled "Prompt payment standards and required notices to vendors." Consequently, interest penalties will not accrue on these questioned amounts. The Prompt Payment Act does apply to any unquestioned, proper costs in the referenced voucher.

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I am authorized to take this action as the designated Cognizant Technical Officer (CTO), for the referenced award. Under USAID regulations, I am responsible, in my capacity as CTO, for administratively approving the vouchers CCAA submits under the award. This approval responsibility includes reviewing your vouchers to determine if the invoiced costs are consistent with the terms of the agreement and my knowledge of your performance under the award or the purposes being billed. For more information on the administrative approval process, see USAID Automated Directives System (ADS) Chapter 630, Payables Management, at <http://www.usaid.gov/pubs/ads/600>.

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I have reviewed the federal cash transactions report you submitted in support of the liquidation and question the following expenditures for the reasons stated below:

1. Payment on 1/31/2007 totaling US\$10,000 for "Brain Trust Consultant".

CCAA is using the provisions in the cooperative agreement to compensate the interim executive director in excess of those rates contained in the cooperative agreement's detailed budget. The cooperative agreement provides a monthly salary up to US\$8,000 (taxes, insurance, and social security included) for the executive director.

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