**Sample Letter to the Editor re: Global Fund Replenishment**

The Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria has been instrumental in saving 27 million lives since its inception in 2002, and Canada’s contribution to the Fund is critical. The 6th Replenishment of the Global Fund will take place later this year and it is hoped that Canada will continue its leadership role to impact the health and well-being of people around the world.

Some of the ways the funds are used to save lives are by providing medicine to mothers, thus preventing HIV transmission to their babies, by providing mosquito nets to protect children and families from malaria, and by providing treatment to people suffering from drug-resistant TB.

The Global Fund must raise a minimum of $14 Billion to cover needs for 2020 to 2022, and is asking Canada to pledge $1 Billion (approximately 5.5% of the total need, and a share equivalent to our 2016 contribution). This investment by Canada is consistent with our commitment to multilateralism, to the UN Sustainable Development Goals and to the government’s development priorities.

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