



## Joint statement concerning the implementation of the Second Country Strategy Paper for Development Cooperation

## Between

The Government of Mozambique and the Government of Flanders, 2011-2015

We, The Minister of Foreign Affairs and Cooperation of the Republic of Mozambique, Mr. Oldemiro Baloi, and the Minister-president of the Government of Flanders, Mr. Kris Peeters, having convened in Maputo on 23 August 2011, are pleased to issue the following joint statement concerning the implementation of the Second Country Strategy Paper for Development Cooperation between the Government of Mozambique and the Government of Flanders, 2011-2015:

We consider the Second Country Strategy Paper on development cooperation between the Governments of Mozambique and Flanders to be:

- the result of an intense policy dialogue between our Governments, with respect for the ownership and development priorities of the Government of Mozambique and the policy priorities for development cooperation of the Flemish Government;
- the most tangible reflection of the dedication and strong will of both Governments to continue developing a strong and long term partnership in Development Cooperation and beyond; our partnership has now reached its first full decade of existence;
- a valid strategy that, through a combination of funding and technical assistance for broad health system strengthening at the central level and in the province of Tete, will enable both parties to improve the health of some of the most vulnerable groups within the Mozambican population. More specific support goes to human resources for health



development, health research and monitoring, the promotion of sexual and reproductive health and rights, and nutrition.

## Therefore we commit ourselves to:

- Put the promotion of the health condition of the most vulnerable citizens of Mozambique as the most important marker for the successful implementation of this Second Country Strategy Paper;
- Continue the policy dialogue as an important monitoring instrument for the implementation of the Second Country Strategy Paper, reflecting the respect for each others obligations under the principle of mutual accountability;
- ❖ Do everything within our powers to guarantee that this Second Country Strategy Paper is fully implemented in a correct and timely manner.

Maputo, 23 August 2011

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