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**Malawian-German partnership strengthened: Germany commits 68.8 million Euro (around 140 billion Kwacha) for Malawi's national development!**

The Federal Republic of Germany and the Government of the Republic of Malawi have successfully concluded intergovernmental negotiations which took place on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> of December 2025 in Bonn, Germany. Bilateral negotiations between Germany and Malawi take place every two years.

The negotiations focused on the future cooperation between both countries with the aim to improve the life of all Malawians. The negotiations took place in an open, constructive, and cordial atmosphere reflecting the trustful relations between both governments that were established 61 years ago, soon after Malawi's independence.

During the negotiations, the Government of the Federal Republic of Germany has agreed to provide to the Government of the Republic of Malawi Euro 68.8 million (approximately 140 billion Kwacha). Germany has also reaffirmed its support towards the implementation of the Malawi Vision 2063 and to the reform agenda to transform Malawi into a wealthy and self-reliant nation. Malawi and Germany agreed close collaboration in the following areas:

- Social protection, including the Social Cash Transfer Programme,
- Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights,
- Agri-Food Systems Transformation, including Nutrition,
- Good governance, including Public Financial management and Anti-corruption,
- Sustainable economic growth and job creation including the energy and mining sector, also through improved access to finance for SMEs.

A special focus has been put on women's, girl's and adolescent's rights.

On top of the above commitments, during the last government-to-government negotiations in November 2023, the Government of the Federal Republic of Germany committed additional 13 million EUR (approximately 27 billion MWK) to support the Republic of Malawi in responding to the impact of El Nino.

The Head of the Malawian Delegation, Dr Cliff Chiunda, Secretary to the Treasury, welcomed the longstanding and reliable collaboration with Germany and highlighted its importance during these challenging times. Dr Chiunda in particular expressed his gratitude to the People and Government of the Federal

Republic of Germany for increasing the contribution to the Social Cash Transfer Programme. In times of economic hardship, the programme helps the poorest and most vulnerable people in Malawi. He welcomed Germany's support in the areas of private sector development, financial inclusion and public finance.

Germany congratulated Malawi for its achievements regarding peace, stability, and its stable democracy. The need for further fiscal consolidation and restoring macroeconomic stability is of utmost importance for the alleviation of poverty. Dr Bärbel Kofler, Parliamentary State Secretary in the German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development, congratulated Malawi for its peaceful and democratic elections in September 2025. She also welcomed the efforts the Malawian Government is making to fight corruption and confirmed that Germany remains a dependable partner when it comes to implementing the Public Financial Management Reform agenda and preventing corruption.

"Germany has once again committed to remain a reliable partner as evidenced by the substantial financial and technical cooperation, especially towards the Private Sector development, Sexual and reproductive Health and Rights, Social Protection, and Food and Nutrition which will help to sustain livelihoods amidst the ongoing economic challenges facing Malawi", said Dr Chiunda.

"Good financial management and anti-corruption measures are also crucial for a conducive environment for private investments as a vibrant and a competitive private sector is of utmost importance to increase government revenues, to create jobs and generate income," stated Birgit Gerhardus, head of the German delegation – pointing to the need for further pursuing fiscal and economic reforms in line with the IMF.

Both delegations agreed that they will preserve and further deepen their relations and their open and trustful cooperation with the aim to strengthen the welfare of the Malawian people.

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