There have been various attempts to coordinate, but the most effective way is to facilitate discussions and input and to bring people together; the UN cannot tell donors how to spend their money; Coordination needs flexibility; the current mechanisms include the Heads of Agencies and 5+3+3 (World Bank, IMF, ADB), which UNAMA generally chairs; There are more technical and working group level meetings that take place underneath; There is a challenge in connecting the policy level discussion with technical discussions;

There was a JCMB in January or February of 2014. The aim was to engage Presidential Candidates who spoke. There was also a JCMB on November 27, 2014, which was used as a consultative forum in the lead-up to the London Conference. The JCMB is still a valuable forum and the Afghan government views JCMBs as a way to engage the broader international community and wants to retain it. JCMB sub-groups do not appear to be meeting.

The Ministry of Finance collaborated with the 5 + 3 donor group in the development of the London Paper Realizing Self-Reliance. The paper was a government paper, but the international community was engaged and UNAMA coordinated the international community input into the paper. The international community was appreciative of the opportunity to comment.

Traditional donors want a TMAF reset; TMAF is imperfect, but it is helpful in organizing discussion; There is also a desire to reduce the number of NPPs; Pipeline money is tied to TMAF, but bilateral incentives from the last TMAF were problematic; A lesson learned from TMAF was to engage line ministries;

Donors not following government priorities is still a critique; Procurement and development need to align and consider greater use of host country suppliers; The PFM is much better than it was, but donors cannot bring all money on-budget and corruption is often cited as an issue for using government systems; Government to government assistance would stop if the IMF did not have an Extended Credit Facility Program; Direct government to government is less table than trust funds;

MoF has more capacity for coordination now, but capacity for aid coordination is not a long term need because eventually the capacity that will be required is the ability to administer the government, not donors.

Donor Coordination Dialogue is used as the mechanism to collect data for the Donor Cooperation report; using the DAD is harder, but it is improving.

The US is effective and discreet; The complexity of the US role is difficult to assess; There is a need for the US to engage in all fora;
### Follow-up:

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