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Subject: Re: Food Fortification: Household Coverage of Fortifiable Foods

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Hi, my name is Gwao Omari Gwao. I am a Professional Nutritionist from Tanzania who has built my career as an Officer in the Public Health Sector with Central and Local Government and now as the Food Fortification Program Manager with Helen Keller International (HKI). I possess solid experience in project and program management and development which includes writing quality concept notes, proposals, reports and management of donor funded projects. On the evaluation side, I have participated in several policy and program evaluation using data from various sources including both surveys and routine. I have led several studies within Tanzania and supported work outside the country which cemented my ability in report writing, development of data collection tools, data analysis and giving feedback both to donors, staff and community including putting together monitoring and evaluation frameworks. I have solid experience on food fortification in Tanzania for both larger and small scale fortification. My current role includes coordination of country evaluation efforts in small scale fortification, staff capacity building, program management, monitor project compliance and strategic engagement with partners. Regarding proposed indicators for upcoming DHS I agree with all the indicators, however I suggest if possible to add coverage indicators for fortified and fortifiable maize flour specifically for Tanzania. In Tanzania 90% of Tanzanians consume maize flour as the main source of energy. Although the big proportional of maize flour is produced by medium and small scale producers but the country achieved a lot in supporting maize flour fortification across the country. So by having some indicators of fortified maize flour will help a lot in informing government and other stakeholders on status and hence help in policy making, strategies and programming as well.

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