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Annex 1. Report of Samoa on the implementation of the smooth transition strategy

SAMOA'S SMOOTH TRANSITION STRATEGY REPORT

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Samoa graduated out of LDC status on 1st January 2014. The Government decided that the best transition strategy fo o! ing graduation ! ou d be to ensure that it ! as ab e to fu y im" ement its nationa deve o"ment strategy name y the Strategy for the Deve o"ment of Samoa through the sector "rogramming frame! or#! ith subseSuent sectora resource a ocation.

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