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## WTP DATA FOR SURINAME CORRECTED

In January 2016, Aidspan published a report on willingness-to-pay commitments in 13 countries. An [article](#) about the report appeared in GFO.

Subsequently, we learned that the WTP commitment shown in the report for Suriname was incorrect. Rather than making a commitment of \$1.5 million, Suriname made a commitment of \$18.4 million.

Aidspan has corrected the figures in the report and has posted an updated version [here](#) (see The “Fair Share” of Shared Responsibility: An Aidspan Report on Willingness to Pay).

The incorrect amount for Suriname also appeared in the GFO article in a table. The corrected table is as follows:

Table: Actual WTP as a proportion of minimum WTP requirement (\$ million)

| Country  | Minimum WTP requirement | Actual WTP commitment | WTP commitment as proportion of minimum WTP requirement |
|----------|-------------------------|-----------------------|---|
| Iran     | 6.1 m                   | 77.4 m                | 1275%   |
| Thailand | 32.7 m                  | 309.5 m               | 946%  |
| Suriname | 2.3 m                   | 18.4 m                | 800%  |

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|--------------|---------|---------|------|
| Botswana     | 8.6 m   | 68.0 m  | 789% |
| Costa Rica   | 1.5 m   | 11.2 m  | 762% |
| South Africa | 139.5 m | 1,000 m | 748% |
| Bulgaria     | 3.1 m   | 14.5 m  | 468% |
| Ukraine      | 27.7 m  | 124.1 m | 448% |
| Romania      | 3.8 m   | 12.2 m  | 317% |
| Belize       | 1.4 m   | 3.9 m   | 289% |
| Mauritius    | 1.5 m   | 4.4 m   | 286% |
| Fiji         | 1.6 m   | 4.3 m   | 265% |
| Jamaica      | 5.7 m   | 13.6 m  | 237% |

The statement in the article that Suriname committed less than the minimum WTP requirement was incorrect.

Unrelated to the Suriname data, there was another error in the GFO article: The total WTP investment of the 13 countries in the study was \$1.66 billion, not \$1.88 billion.

Aidspan regrets any inconvenience caused by the incorrect information.

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