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Dear <Name>:

Thank you for agreeing to participate in the **NIH/NIAID/DMID** Partnerships Program Survey regarding your Biodefense Translational Research grant number (AI-######). We are conducting this survey to learn about your experiences and satisfaction with this program. The primary objectives of this customer satisfaction assessment of the DMID Partnerships program is to better understand what program components and processes have contributed to advancing Biodefense Translational Research and to obtain information regarding key aspects of the program to improve program administration.

Participation in this survey is voluntary. The information you provide about your Partnerships award and your experiences with it will have no effect on current or future grant awards. All information obtained in the survey will be reported in aggregate. Your responses are very important to NIAID. They will help NIAID enhance administration of the Partnerships program and the support the program provides to the scientific community. Information you provide will be kept secure to the extent permitted by law. If you have any questions about the survey, please contact me:

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The survey will be conducted using the enclosed paper questionnaire. It should take about 20 minutes to complete the survey, including retrieving any necessary information to answer the survey questions, such as the specifics of how NIH support was used during your research.

When you complete the survey, please send to:

NOVA Research Company 801 Roeder Road Suite 700 Silver Spring, MD 20910

Attn: NIH/NIAID/DMID Partnerships Program Survey

We look forward to your participation, and I thank you in advance for your time and consideration. It is only with the generous help of people like you that our survey can be successful.

Sincerely,

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