

Date: 1513 2022

H.E. Tigran Khachatryan Minister of Finance 1 Melik-Adamian Street 375010, Yerevan Armenia

Re: IBRD Loan 9338-AM Fourth Public Sector Modernization Project (PSMP4) Additional Instructions: Disbursement and Financial Information Letter

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I refer to the Loan Agreement between Republic of Armenia (the "Borrower") and the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development ("Bank") for the above-referenced Project. The General Conditions, as defined in the Loan Agreement, provide that the Borrower may from time-to-time request withdrawals of Loan amounts from the Loan Account in accordance with the Disbursement and Financial Information Letter, and such additional instructions as the Bank may specify from time to time by notice to the Borrower. The General Conditions also provide that the Disbursement and Financial Information Letter may set out Project specific financial reporting requirements. This letter constitutes such Disbursement and Financial Information Letter ("DFIL") and may be revised from time to time.

I. Disbursement Arrangements, Withdrawal of Loan Funds, and Reporting of Uses of Loan Funds

The Disbursement Guidelines for Investment Project Financing, dated February 2017 ("Disbursement Guidelines") are available in the Bank's public website at <u>https://www.worldbank.org</u> and its secure website "Client Connection" at <u>https://clientconnection.worldbank.org</u>. The Disbursement Guidelines are an integral part of the DFIL, and the manner in which the provisions in the Disbursement Guidelines apply to the Loan is specified below.

(i) Disbursement Arrangements

The table in Schedule 1 sets out the disbursement methods which may be used by the Borrower, and conditions, information on registration of authorized signatories, processing of Withdrawal Applications (including minimum value of applications and processing of advances), instructions on supporting documentation, and frequency of reporting on the Designated Account(s).

(ii) Withdrawal Applications Electronic Delivery¹

The Borrower will deliver Withdrawal Applications (with supporting documents, "Applications") electronically through the Bank's web-based portal "Client Connection" at <u>https://clientconnection.worldbank.org</u>. This option will be effected after the officials designated in writing by the Borrower who are authorized to sign and deliver Applications have registered as users of "Client Connection." The designated officials will deliver Applications electronically by completing the Form 2380, which is accessible through "Client Connection." By signing the Authorized Signatory Letter, the

¹ Section 10.01 (c) of the General Conditions

Borrower confirms that it is authorizing such persons to accept Secure Identification Credentials (SIDC) and to deliver the Applications and supporting documents to the Bank by electronic means. The Borrower may exercise the option of preparing and delivering Applications in paper form in exceptional cases (including those where the Borrower encounters legal limitations), and which were previously agreed with the Bank. By designating officials to use SIDC and by choosing to deliver the Applications electronically, the Borrower confirms through the Authorized Signatory Letter its agreement to: (a) abide by the Terms and Conditions of Use of Secure Identification Credentials in connection with Use of Electronic Means to Process Applications and Supporting Documentation, available in the Bank's public website at https://www.worldbank.org and "Client Connection" at https://clientconnection.worldbank.org; and (b) to cause such officials to abide by those terms and conditions.

II. Financial Reports and Audits²

(i) *Financial Reports.* The Borrower shall prepare and furnish to the Bank not later than forty-five (45) days after the end of each calendar semester, semi-annual interim unaudited financial reports ("IFRs") for the Project covering the semester, in form and substance satisfactory to the Bank.

(ii) Audits. Each audit of the Project's Financial Statements shall cover the period of one (1) fiscal year of the Borrower, commencing with the fiscal year in which the first withdrawal was made. The audited Financial Statements for each such period shall be (a) furnished to the Bank not later than six (6) months after the end of such period; (b) made publicly available in a timely fashion and in a manner acceptable to the Bank.

III. Other Important Information

For additional information on disbursement arrangements, please refer to the Loan Handbook available on the Bank's public website at https://www.worldbank.org and "Client Connection" at https://clientconnection.worldbank.org. The Bank recommends that you register as a user of "Client Connection". From this website you will be able to prepare and deliver Applications, monitor the near real-time status of the Loan, and retrieve related policy, financial, and procurement information. For more information about the website and registration arrangements, or if you have any queries in relation to the above, please contact the Bank by email at askloans@worldbank.org using the above reference.

Yours sincerely,

Carolin Geginat Country Manager for Armenia

Attachments

Form of Authorized Signatory Letter
 Form of Interim unaudited Financial Report (IFR)

With copies:

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Project Management Group Government House 1 Yerevan, Armenia email address: info@psmp.am

² Section 5.09 of the General Conditions

			A. Basic Information			
		Country	REPUBLIC OF ARMENIA	Cleature Date		Section III.B.2. of Schedule 2 to
Loan	IBRD	Borrower	MINISTERY OF FINANCE	Closing Date		the Loan Agreement.
Number 9	9338- AM	Name of the Project	PSMP4	Disbursement Deadline Date		Four (4) months after the closing date
		B. Disbi	B. Disbursement Methods and Supporting Documentation	mentation		
Disbursement Methods	Methods	Methods	Supp	Supporting Documentation	entation	
Direct Payment		Yes	Records (Supplier Invoices/Copy of Receipts)	eipts)		
Reimbursement		Yes				
Advance (into a Designated Account)	esignated	Yes	Interim Financial Report, in the format provided in Attachment 2 of the DFIL	rovided in Atta	achment 2 (of the DFIL
Special Commitments	ents	Yes	Copy of Letter of Credit			
			C. Designated Account			
Type and Management Unit	ment Unit	Segregated managed by PMG		Ceiling	Variable	
Financial Institution - Name	ion -	Single Treasury Accoun Bank of Armenia	Single Treasury Account of the Ministry of Finance at the Central Bank of Armenia	Currency	Euro	
Frequency of Reporting	orting	Semiannual		Amount	Three qu TTL.	Three quarters forecast as approved by TTL.
			D. Minimum Value of Applications			
The minimum value of applications for Direct P	te of applica	ations for Direct Payment,	ayment, Reimbursement and Commitment Issuance-SC is Euro 200,000.	-SC is Euro 200	0,000.	
			E. Authorized Signatories Withdrawal and Documentation Applications	SU		
The form for Auth	orized Signa	atory Letter is provided in .	The form for Authorized Signatory Letter is provided in Attachment 1 of this letter.			
All Applications at	nd its suppo	orting documentation, and A	All Applications and its supporting documentation, and Authorized Signatory Letter will be electronically sent via the Bank's system "Client Connection".	ically sent via	the Bank's	system "Client Connection".
			F. Additional [Information][Instructions]			
All withdrawal applications are to be submitted	olications ar		to the bark for measure not of annioable tayed			

Schedule 1 : Disbursement Provisions

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Attachment 1 - Form of Authorized Signatory Letter

[Letterhead] Ministry of Finance [Street address]

[DATE]

The World Bank 1818 H Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20433 United States of America

Dear [Country Director]:

Re: IBRD Loan 9338 - AM Fourth Public Sector Modernization Project (PSMP4) Additional Instructions: Disbursement and Financial Information Letter

I refer to the Loan Agreement between Republic of Armenia (the "Borrower") and the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development ("Bank") for the above-referenced Project. For the purposes of Section 2.03 of the General Conditions as defined in the Agreement, any ³[one] of the persons whose authenticated specimen signatures appear below is authorized on behalf of the Borrower to sign Withdraw Applications ("Applications") under this Loan.

For the purpose of delivering Applications to the Bank,⁴ [each] of the persons whose authenticated specimen signatures appears below is authorized on behalf of the Borrower, acting ⁵[individually] ⁶[jointly], to deliver Applications, and evidence in support thereof on the terms and conditions specified by the Bank.

This confirms that the Borrower is authorizing such persons to accept Secure Identification Credentials (SIDC) and to deliver the Applications and supporting documents to the Bank by electronic means. In full recognition that the Bank shall rely upon such representations and warranties, including without limitation, the representations and warranties contained in the *Terms and Conditions of Use of Secure Identification Credentials in connection with Use of Electronic Means to Process Applications and Supporting Documentation* ("Terms and Conditions of Use of SIDC"), the Borrower represents and warrants to the Bank that it will cause such persons to abide by those terms and conditions.

This Authorization replaces and supersedes any Authorization currently in the Bank records with respect to this Agreement.

³ Instruction to the Borrower: Stipulate if more than one person needs to sign Applications, and how many or which positions, and if any thresholds apply. *Please delete this footnote in final letter that is sent to the Bank.*

⁴ Instruction to the Borrower: Stipulate if more than one person needs to jointly sign Applications, if so, please indicate the actual number. *Please delete this footnote in final letter that is sent to the Bank.*

⁵ Instruction to the Borrower: Use this bracket if any one of the authorized persons may sign; if this is not applicable, please delete. *Please delete this footnote in final letter that is sent to the Bank.*

⁶ Instruction to the Borrower: Use this bracket only if several individuals must jointly sign each Application; if this is not applicable, please delete. *Please delete this footnote in final letter that is sent to the Bank.*

 [Name], [position]
 Specimen Signature:

 [Name], [position]
 Specimen Signature:

 [Name], [position]
 Specimen Signature:

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Yours truly,

/ signed /

[Position]

Attachment 2 - Interim Financial Reports

Interim Un-audited Financial Report (IFR)

For the Period from *mm/dd/yyyy to mm/dd/yyyy* (in USD Currency) <u>Cash basis</u>

Project Name:

Loan No.

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Financial report

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Project Sources & Uses of Funds For the Period from mm/dd/yyyy to mm/dd/yyyy (in Euro Currency)

Loan No. 9338-AM

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		Actual			Planned			Variance		PAD
	Current semester	Year to Date` YTD	Cumulative to Date	Current semester	Year to Date` YTD	Cumulative to Date	Current semester	Year to Date` YTD	Cumulative to Date	Life of Project
Opening Cash Balance Designated Account /WB fund/ Project Account /GOA/										
Total										
Add: Sources of Funds										
WB fund		2		2						
Government co-financing						R _R				
Other										
Total										
Foreign Exchange Difference										
Total		12								
Less:										
Uses of Funds										
:(1)										
(2):										
Sub-total										
Front-End Fee										
Closing Cash Ralance										
Designated Account /WB fund/										
Project Account /GOA/										
Total										
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Uses of Funds by Project Activity For the Period from mm/dd/yyyy to mm/dd/yyyy (in Euro Currency)

Loan No. 9338-AM

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		Actual			Planned			Variance		PAD
Project Activities	Current semester	Year to Date`YTD	Cumulative to Date	Current semester	Year to Date`YTD	Cumulative to Date	Current semester	Year to Date`YTD	Cumulative to Date	Life of Project
1. Component 1		,	,	,	1				,	,
2. Component 2										
3. Component 3										
4. Component 4										
Total Project Expenditures				gal dia 194						
Front-End Fee										

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Project Name/Loan No._

Statement of Financial Position as at mm.dd.yyyy

Cash and cash equivalents:	
Designated Account (USD)	X
Government Co-financing Account	x
Interest Account	x
	x
Project expenditures	x
Foreign exchange difference (if net loss)	x
Total assets	x
Funding:	
World Bank	x
Government	x
Other	x
	x
Foreign exchange difference (if net income)	x
Total liabilities	x

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Designated Account (DA) Statement

as at xx/xx/xxxx

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	1	Opening Balance as at yy/yy/yyyy	-	
		Add:		
	2	Cumulative unexplained discrepancy	-	
	3	WB Fund advance/replenishment during the current period		
	4	Less: Refund to IBRD from DA during the current period	-	
	5	Present outstanding amount advanced to DA		0.00
	6	Closing balance as at xx/xx/xxxx carried forward to next period	-	
	7	Add: Amount of eligible expenditures paid during the current period	-	
	8	Service charges (if debited into DA)	-	
	9	Less: Interest earned (if credited into DA)	-	
	#	Total advance accounted for		0.00
1	1	Discrepancy(5)-(10) to be explained	-	

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