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TO: The President, International Bank for Reconstruction and Development

Report of the Committee under Section 4 (iii) of Article III of the Articles of Agreement on the proposed Loan (Egypt Household Natural Gas Connection Project) to the Arab Republic of Egypt.

The undersigned Committee constituted under Section 7 of Article V of the Articles of Agreement of International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (the Bank) hereby submits its report pursuant to Section 4 (iii) of Article III of said Articles of Agreement in respect of the proposal that the Bank grants to the Arab Republic of Egypt a loan in an amount of US\$500,000,000. The purpose of said loan is to assist the Arab Republic of Egypt to increase household access to reliable, lower cost, grid connected natural gas supply.

- 1. The Committee has carefully studied the merits of the proposal to grant such a loan, and of the purpose to which the proceeds of the loan are to be applied.
- 2. The Committee is of the opinion that the project toward the financing of which the proceeds of such loan are to be applied comes within the purposes of the Bank as set forth in Article I of said Articles of Agreement, and that said project is designed to promote the development of the productive facilities and resources of the Arab Republic of Egypt and is in the interest of the Arab Republic of Egypt and of the members of the Bank as a whole.
- 3. Accordingly, the Committee finds that said project merits financial assistance from the Bank, and hereby recommends said project for such assistance.

COMMITTEE

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