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STATUTORY COMMITTEE REPORT

TO: The President, International Bank for Reconstruction and Development

Recommendation of the expert selected by Republic of Guinea as a member of the Committee under Section 4(iii) of Article III of the Articles of Agreement on the proposed Financing (Regional Disease Surveillance Systems Enhancement Project in West Africa (REDISSE) - First Phase) to the Republic of Guinea

The undersigned member of the Committee constituted under Section 7 of Article V of the Articles of Agreement of International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (the Bank) hereby submits this recommendation as part of the report pursuant to Section 4(iii) of Article III of said Articles in respect of the proposal that the Bank grant to the Republic of Guinea a grant and a credit in an amount of SDR 7,100,000 and SDR 14,200,000 respectively. The purposes of said credit are to: (i) to strengthen national and regional cross-sectoral capacity for collaborative disease surveillance and epidemic preparedness in West Africa, thereby addressing systemic weaknesses within the animal and human health systems that hinder effective disease surveillance and response; and (ii) in the event of an Eligible Emergency, to provide immediate and effective response to said Eligible Emergency.

- 1. The member of the Committee has carefully studied the merits of the proposal to grant such a credit, and of the purposes to which the proceeds of the credit are to be applied.
- 2. The member of the Committee is of the opinion that the project toward the financing of which the proceeds of such credit 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 Republic of Guinea and is in the interest of the Republic of Guinea and of the members of the Bank as a whole.
- 3. Accordingly, the member of the Committee finds that said project merits financial assistance from the Bank, and hereby recommends said project for such assistance.

Expert Selected by Governor for Republic of Guinea

Dated at Washington, D.C.