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Mr. Lok Darshan Regmi Secretary Ministry of Finance Singha Durbar, Kathmandu

Dear Mr. Regmi:

Nepal: Strengthening Regional Cooperation for Wildlife Protection in Asia Project (IDA Grant No. H666-NP) Amendment to Financing Agreement

I refer to the Financing Agreement dated June 27, 2011 between Nepal (the "Recipient") and the International Development Association (the "Association"), as amended to date, for the abovereferenced Project (the "Financing Agreement"). I also refer to your letter dated July 2, 2015 requesting an amendment to the Financing Agreement.

I am pleased to inform you that after due consideration, the Association has agreed with your request and hereby proposes to amend the Financing Agreement as follows:

Part B.1 of the Project Description in Schedule 1 (Virtual regional center of excellence for 1. wildlife conservation) is deleted in its entirety.

Category	Amount of the Grant Allocated (expressed in SDR)	Percentage of Expenditures to be Financed (inclusive of Taxes)
(1) Goods, works, consultants' services, Training and Workshops, and Operating Costs (For all Parts of the Project, excluding Part B.2)	635,600	100%
(2) Goods, works, consultants' services, Training and Workshops, and Operating Costs (For Part B.2 of the Project)	1,214,400	100%
(3) NTNC Coordination Costs	150,000	100%
TOTAL AMOUNT	2,000,000	

2. The withdrawal table in Section IV.A.2 of Schedule 2 is amended to read as follows:

The performance indicators referred to in Section II.A.1 of Schedule 2 to the Financing Agreement are hereby amended to reflect those set out in the Attachment to this letter.

Except as specifically amended by this amendment letter, all other provisions of the Financing Agreement shall remain in full force and effect.

Please confirm your agreement to the amendments set out above by having an authorized representative of the Recipient sign and date the form of confirmation on the enclosed duplicate original of this letter and returning it to us for our files. Upon receipt of the copy of this letter countersigned on behalf of the Recipient, this amendment letter shall become effective as of the date of the countersignature.

Sincerely, Martin G. Rama Acting Country Director

Bangladesh, Bhutan and Nepal

Confirmed and agreed: NEPAL

Signature:	MKMappsion
Name:	Madhu Kumar Marasia
Title:	Joint Secretary
Date:	December 28, 2015

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ATTACHMENT

Key Performance Indicators Strengthening Regional Cooperation for Wildlife Protection in Asia

Progress towards the development of regional interventions for addressing illegal wildlife trade and other conservation threats would be demonstrated by the following indicators, as further specified in the Operational Manual:

- A regional mechanism is developed and operational for addressing illegal wildlife trade and other conservation threats;
- Number of agreed knowledge products developed and shared among South Asia Wildlife Enforcement Network (SAWEN) countries on wildlife crime and/or wildlife conservation;
- Wildlife crime control institutions established in the three participating countries;
- Number of implemented pilot initiatives that address trans-boundary wildlife issues; and
- Number of activities contributing to tiger conservation.