RECOMMENDATION OF THE SIGNARY COMMITTEE

TO: The President, International Development Association

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Recommendation of the nominee selected by Republic of Niger as a member of the Committee under Section 1(d) of Article V of the Articles of Agreement on the proposed Credit and Grant (Fostering Rural Growth Reform Development Policy Financing) to the Republic of Niger

The undersigned member of the Committee constituted under Section 1(d) of Article V of the Articles of Agreement of the International Development Association (the Association) hereby submits this recommendation pursuant to said Section in respect of the proposal that the Association grant to the Republic of Niger a Credit in an amount equivalent to EUR 50,800,000 and a Grant in an amount of SDR 42,500,000. This operation has three development objectives: (1) Creating an environment conducive to rural growth; (2) Improving the regulatory framework in the electricity and ICT sectors; and (3) Enhancing Revenue Mobilization.

- 1. The member of the Committee has carefully studied the merits of the proposal to grant such credit and grant, and of the purpose(s) to which the proceeds of the credit and grant 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 and grant are to be applied comes within the purposes of the Association as set forth in Article I of said Articles of Agreement, and that said project is designed to promote the economic development of the Republic of Niger and is of high developmental priority in the light of the needs of the Republic of Niger.
- 3. Accordingly, the member of the Committee finds that said project merits financial assistance from the Association, and hereby recommends said Program for such assistance.

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Dated at Washington, D.C.