CREDIT NUMBER 7471-HN

Financing Agreement

(Strengthening of Honduras' National Civil Registry and Identification Ecosystem Project)

between

REPUBLIC OF HONDURAS

and

INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION

FINANCING AGREEMENT

AGREEMENT dated as of the Signature Date between REPUBLIC OF HONDURAS ("Recipient") and INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION ("Association"). The Recipient and the Association hereby agree as follows:

ARTICLE I — GENERAL CONDITIONS; DEFINITIONS

- 1.01. The General Conditions (as defined in the Appendix to this Agreement) apply to and form part of this Agreement.
- 1.02. Unless the context requires otherwise, the capitalized terms used in this Agreement have the meanings ascribed to them in the General Conditions or in the Appendix to this Agreement.

ARTICLE II — FINANCING

- 2.01. The Association agrees to extend to the Recipient a credit, which is deemed as Concessional Financing for purposes of the General Conditions, in the amount of forty million Dollars (\$40,000,000), as such amount may be converted from time to time through a Currency Conversion (variously, "Credit" and "Financing"), to assist in financing the project described in Schedule 1 to this Agreement ("Project").
- 2.02. The Recipient may withdraw the proceeds of the Financing in accordance with Section III of Schedule 2 to this Agreement.
- 2.03. The Maximum Commitment Charge Rate is one-half of one percent (1/2 of 1%) per annum on the Unwithdrawn Financing Balance.
- 2.04. The Service Charge is the greater of: (a) the sum of three-fourths of one percent (3/4 of 1%) per annum plus the Basis Adjustment to the Service Charge; and (b) three-fourths of one percent (3/4 of 1%) per annum; on the Withdrawn Credit Balance, or such rate as may apply following a Currency Conversion.
- 2.05. The Interest Charge is the greater of: (a) the sum of one and a quarter percent (1.25%) per annum plus the Basis Adjustment to the Interest Charge; and (b) zero percent (0%) per annum, or such rate as may apply following a Currency Conversion; on the Withdrawn Credit Balance.
- 2.06. The Payment Dates are March 15 and September 15 in each year.
- 2.07. The principal amount of the Credit shall be repaid in accordance with the repayment schedule set forth in Schedule 3 to this Agreement.
- 2.08. The Payment Currency is Dollar.

ARTICLE III — PROJECT

3.01. The Recipient declares its commitment to the objective of the Project. To this end, the Recipient shall carry out the Project and cause the Project to be carried out by the RNP in accordance with the provisions of Article V of the General Conditions and Schedule 2 to this Agreement.

ARTICLE IV — REMEDIES OF THE ASSOCIATION

- 4.01. The Additional Event of Suspension consists of the following, namely, that RNP Legislation has been amended in a way to materially affect, in the opinion of the Association, its ability to carry out the Project.
- 4.02. The Additional Event of Acceleration consists of the following, namely, that the event specified in Section 4.01 of this Agreement occurs.

ARTICLE V — EFFECTIVENESS; TERMINATION

- 5.01. The Additional Conditions of Effectiveness consist of the following:
 - (a) that the Subsidiary Agreement has been entered into between the Recipient and RNP in a manner acceptable to the Association, and all conditions precedent to its effectiveness (other than the effectiveness of this Agreement) have been fulfilled; and
 - (b) that the Project Operations Manual has been adopted by the Recipient and the RNP, in a manner and with contents acceptable to the Association.
- 5.02. The Effectiveness Deadline is the date one hundred and twenty (120) days after the Signature Date.

ARTICLE VI — REPRESENTATIVE; ADDRESSES

- 6.01. The Recipient's Representative is the Minister of Finance (*Secretaria de Estado en el Despacho de Finanzas -* SEFIN).
- 6.02. For purposes of Section 11.01 of the General Conditions:
 - (a) the Recipient's address is:

Secretaría de Estado en el Despacho de Finanzas Dirección General de Crédito Público Avenida Cervantes, Barrio El Jazmín Tegucigalpa, M.D.C. Honduras, C.A.; and (b) the Recipient's Electronic Address is:

Telex: Facsimile: E-mail:

(504) 2237-4142 (504) 2237-4142 dgcp@sefin.gob.hn

- 6.03. For purposes of Section 11.01 of the General Conditions:
 - (a) the Association's address is:

International Development Association 1818 H Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20433 United States of America; and

(b) the Association's Electronic Address is:

Telex: Facsimile: E-mail:

248423 (MCI) (+1)-202-477-6391 mkerf@worldbank.org

AGREED as of the Signature Date.

REPUBLIC OF HONDURAS

By

Authorized Representative

Name: Bix Moncada Godoy

Title: Secretary of Finance

Date: <u>December 19, 2023</u>

INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION

Ву

Authorized Representative

Name: Katherine M. Scott

Title: Resident Representative

Date: December 19, 2023

SCHEDULE 1

Project Description

The objective of the Project is to strengthen the Recipient's national civil registry and ID ecosystem by improving the birth registration process and identification of minors and enabling access of all individuals to public and private services.

The Project consists of the following parts:

Part 1. Improvement of Civil Registration and Minors' Identification Coverage.

Strengthen the coverage of the Civil Registry and Identification System through:

- A. Birth registration modernization and automation including, *inter alia*: (i) the automatization of the registration of Newborns, including the design and implementation of a Registry Platform and acquiring Registration Equipment; (ii) the redesign of the Newborn registration process; (iii) the design and implementation of a capacity building and communications plan for birth registration modernization and automation; (iv) the development of procedures and manuals to safeguard the inclusion of Vulnerable Populations and deliveries carried out by Midwives in the registry process.
- B. Expansion of the Identification System Coverage to all Targeted Underaged Population, including, *inter alia*: (i) the development and implementation of an Enrollment Strategy to the National Identification System for Targeted Underaged Population; (ii) the creation of Mobile Teams to register Targeted Underaged Population in Remote Vulnerable Areas ensuring inclusion of Indigenous Peoples, afro-Hondurans, people with disabilities and migrants; (iii) the design and implementation of a capacity building plan and a communications strategy for the enrollment process; (iv) the development of an enrollment procedure and enrollment manual to mitigate the risk of exclusion during the enrollment process, considering cultural appropriateness for Indigenous Peoples and afro-Hondurans; and (v) the issuance and distribution of ID cards for Targeted Underaged Population.

Part 2: Modernization of the Civil Registration and Digital Identification Services.

Support the development of digital ID services through:

A. The strengthening of the National Identification System ("SIN"), including, *inter alia*: (i) the design and establishment of a framework to align RNP processes, data, applications and technology with its strategic objectives; (ii) the development and implementation of ID verification and authentication services; and (iii) the design and implementation of a certification model for Digital Signatures.

B. The development and implementation of a comprehensive human-centric service model for registry and identification services, including, *inter alia*: (i) the improvement of SIN interoperability to facilitate access to public and private sector services; (ii) the design and implementation of an Omnichannel Strategy for RNP service delivery, including the strengthening of the RNP Website, applications, and a communication strategy with the public to hold consultations and gather feedback; (iii) the development of a grievance and redress mechanism to answer queries or complaints regarding identity data, error correction and RNP services; (iv) the production of Communication and Outreach Material in braille and Indigenous Languages; (v) the improvement of service channels, including the establishment of Auxiliary Civil Registry Service Centers in Underserved Areas and Self-Service Kiosks.

Part 3: Strengthening the institutional capacity of the RNP.

Strengthen RNP's capabilities to manage the coverage expansion of the Foundational Civil Registration and ID system, including:

- A. Strengthen the regulatory and operations framework to implement ID verification and authentication services through technical assistance on, *inter alia*: (i) the review of the current legal and regulatory framework and the preparation of amendments to existing or drafting of new legislation, as appropriate, consistent with best international practice adopted to local circumstances; (ii) the development of internal manuals to regulate the provision of ID verification and authentication services; (iii) the design of a governance framework, including roles, functions and institutional arrangements required, as well as procedures to target priority Vulnerable Populations, and continue operations during a natural disaster or other shocks; and (iv) the development of procedures and manuals to mitigate the risk of exclusion in birth registry process and minor enrollment flow, including the development of data Privacy Impact Assessments.
- B. The promotion of an inclusive registration culture, including through, *inter alia*: (i) the design and implementation of outreach and communication campaigns for Project activities; and (ii) the development of a Change Management Strategy to facilitate the implementation of the enhanced Newborn registry processes.
- C. The enhancement of cyber resilience and digital data infrastructure, through, *inter alia*: (i) the strengthening of the RNP's technological infrastructure to be resilient to climate-induced shocks and natural disasters, and its cybersecurity capabilities using energy-efficient technologies; (ii) the strengthening of data protection, including the security and data privacy protocols to handle Personal Data, as well as mechanisms to obtain the users' consent for operations involving Personal Data; (iii) the design of a Security Operations Center within the RNP; and (iv) the development of Environmental Management Standards for ICT infrastructure.

D. Capacity building, Project management and administration, including support for:
(i) Project planning and, financial, fiduciary, monitoring and evaluation, and environmental and social risk management capabilities; and (ii) the design and implementation of a Training program for RNP staff on technical developments and to individuals and government staff on how to use and leverage the RNP digital services.

SCHEDULE 2

Project Execution

Section I. Implementation Arrangements

A. Institutional Arrangements.

- 1. For purposes of carrying out the Project, the Recipient shall cause RNP to establish, and thereafter operate and maintain, throughout Project implementation, a Project Implementation Unit ("PIU"), with functions, responsibilities, resources and composition acceptable to the Association, including, *inter alia*, a Project coordinator, a procurement specialist, a financial management specialist, an environmental and social specialist and a monitoring and evaluation specialist, all as set forth in the Project Operations Manual; and
- 2. For purposes of carrying out the Project, the Recipient shall cause RNP to engage and retain, throughout Project implementation, a UN Agency to carry out Project procurement and fiduciary functions in a manner acceptable to the Association, with the resources and functions set forth in the Project Operations Manual.

B. Subsidiary Agreement.

- 1. To facilitate the carrying out of the Project, the Recipient shall make the proceeds of the Financing available to RNP under a Subsidiary Agreement between the Recipient and the RNP, under terms and conditions approved by the Association ("Subsidiary Agreement"), which shall include:
 - (a) the roles and responsibilities of RNP with regard to the implementation of the Project;
 - (b) the obligation of RNP to comply with the technical, procurement, fiduciary, environmental and social requirements applicable to the Project, the Project Operations Manual and the Anti-Corruption Guidelines, in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement, including the General Conditions;
 - (c) the obligation of RNP to ensure that any goods and/or services to be financed out of the Project are procured in accordance with the Procurement Regulations:
 - (d) the obligation of RNP to maintain a financial management system and prepare financial statements for the Project in accordance with consistently applied accounting standards acceptable to the Association, both in a manner adequate to reflect the operations, resources and expenditures related to the Project, as further set forth in the Project Operations Manual;

- (e) RNP's obligation to retain all records (contracts, orders, invoices, bills, receipts and other documents) evidencing expenditures under the Project until at least the later of one (1) year after the Recipient and the Association have received the audited financial statements covering the period during which the last withdrawal from the Credit Account was made, and two (2) years after the Closing Date;
- (f) RNP's obligation to enable the Recipient and the Association to inspect the Project, its operation and any relevant records and documents;
- (g) RNP's obligation to prepare and furnish to the Recipient and the Association all such information as the Recipient or the Association shall reasonably request relating to the foregoing;
- (h) RNP's obligation to engage and retain a UN Agency through the UN Agency Agreement described in Section I.D. of Schedule 2 to this Agreement;
- (i) the Recipient shall have the right to suspend or terminate the right of the RNP to use the proceeds of the Credit, or obtain a refund of all or any part of the amount of the Credit then withdrawn, upon RNP's failure to perform any of its obligations under the Subsidiary Agreement; and
- (j) a provision stipulating that, in case of conflict between any of the provisions of the Subsidiary Agreement and this Agreement, the provisions of this Agreement shall prevail.
- 2. The Recipient shall exercise its rights under the Subsidiary Agreement in such manner as to protect the interests of the Recipient and the Association and to accomplish the purposes of the Financing. Except as the Association shall otherwise agree, the Recipient shall not assign, amend, abrogate or waive the Subsidiary Agreement or any of its provisions.
- 3. Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the event of a conflict among the provisions of the Subsidiary Agreement and those of this Agreement, the provisions of this Agreement shall prevail.

C. Project Operations Manual.

1. The Recipient shall and shall cause RNP to adopt, and thereafter maintain and carry out the Project in accordance with a manual (the "Project Operations Manual"), which shall set forth, *inter alia*: (i) a detailed description of Project activities and institutional arrangements for the Project; (ii) the Project administrative, budgeting, accounting, auditing, reporting, financial, procurement and disbursement procedures; (iii) the monitoring indicators for the Project;

- (iv) the detailed procedures for coordination and collaboration among the relevant Recipient's institutions, and other stakeholders in the carrying out of the Project; (v) Personal Data collection and processing requirements in accordance with good international practices; (vi) detailed environmental and social risk management measures and procedures; and (vii) the Anti-Corruption Guidelines.
- 2. Except as the Recipient and the Association may otherwise agree in writing, the Recipient shall, and shall cause RNP not to abrogate, amend, suspend, terminate or waive the Project Operations Manual or any provision thereof.
- 3. In case of a conflict between the terms of the Project Operations Manual and those in this Agreement, the terms of this Agreement shall prevail.

D. UN Agency Agreement.

- 1. To facilitate the carrying out of procurement activities and the exercise of fiduciary agent function for the Project, the Recipient shall cause RNP to make part of the proceeds of the Financing available to a UN Agency under an agreement between the RNP and the UN Agency ("UN Agency Agreement"), under terms and conditions approved by the Association.
- 2. The Recipient shall cause RNP to exercise its rights under the UN Agency Agreement in such manner as to protect the interests of the Recipient and the Association and to accomplish the purposes of the Financing.
- 3. Except as the Association shall otherwise agree, the Recipient shall cause RNP not to assign, amend, abrogate or waive the UN Agency Agreement or any of its provisions.

E. Environmental and Social Standards.

- 1. The Recipient shall and shall cause RNP to ensure that the Project is carried out in accordance with the Environmental and Social Standards, in a manner acceptable to the Association.
- 2. Without limitation upon paragraph 1 above, the Recipient shall, and shall cause RNP to ensure that the Project is implemented in accordance with the Environmental and Social Commitment Plan ("ESCP"), in a manner acceptable to the Association. To this end, the Recipient shall, and shall cause RNP to ensure that:
 - (a) the measures and actions specified in the ESCP are implemented with due diligence and efficiency, as provided in the ESCP;
 - (b) sufficient funds are available to cover the costs of implementing the ESCP;

- (c) policies and procedures are maintained, and qualified and experienced staff in adequate numbers are retained to implement the ESCP, as provided in the ESCP; and
- (d) the ESCP, or any provision thereof, is not amended, repealed, suspended or waived, except as the Association shall otherwise agree in writing, as specified in the ESCP, and ensure that the revised ESCP is disclosed promptly thereafter.
- 3. In case of any inconsistencies between the ESCP and the provisions of this Agreement, the provisions of this Agreement shall prevail.
- 4. The Recipient shall, and shall cause RNP to ensure that:
 - (a) all measures necessary are taken to collect, compile, and furnish to the Association through regular reports, with the frequency specified in the ESCP, and promptly in a separate report or reports, if so requested by the Association, information on the status of compliance with the ESCP and the environmental and social instruments referred to therein, all such reports in form and substance acceptable to the Association, setting out, *inter alia*: (i) the status of implementation of the ESCP; (ii) conditions, if any, which interfere or threaten to interfere with the implementation of the ESCP; and (iii) corrective and preventive measures taken or required to be taken to address such conditions; and
 - (b) the Association is promptly notified of any incident or accident related to or having an impact on the Project which has, or is likely to have, a significant adverse effect on the environment, the affected communities, the public or workers, including, in accordance with the ESCP, the environmental and social instruments referenced therein and the Environmental and Social Standards.
- 5. The Recipient shall, and shall cause RNP to establish, publicize, maintain and operate an accessible grievance mechanism, to receive and facilitate resolution of concerns and grievances of Project-affected people, and take all measures necessary and appropriate to resolve, or facilitate the resolution of, such concerns and grievances, in a manner acceptable to the Association.

Section II. Project Monitoring, Reporting and Evaluation

1. The Recipient shall and shall cause the RNP to furnish to the Association each Project Report not later than forty-five (45) days after the end of each calendar semester, covering the calendar semester.

2. Except as may otherwise be explicitly required or permitted under this Agreement or as may be explicitly requested by the Association, in sharing any information, report or document related to the activities described in Schedule 1 of this Agreement, the Recipient shall, and shall cause RNP to ensure that such information, report or document does not include Personal Data.

Section III. Withdrawal of the Proceeds of the Financing

A. General.

Without limitation upon the provisions of Article II of the General Conditions and in accordance with the Disbursement and Financial Information Letter, the Recipient may withdraw the proceeds of the Financing to: (a) finance Eligible Expenditures in the amount allocated and, if applicable, up to the percentage set forth against each Category of the following table:

Category	Amount of the Credit Allocated (expressed in USD)	Percentage of Expenditures to be Financed (inclusive of Taxes)
(1) Goods, non-consulting services, consulting services, Operating Costs and Training for the Project, except for Part 3.D.	34,209,000	100%
(2) Goods, non-consulting services, consulting services, Training and Operating Costs under Part 3.D of the Project.	5,791,000	100%
TOTAL AMOUNT	40,000,000	

B. Withdrawal Conditions; Withdrawal Period.

- 1. Notwithstanding the provisions of Part A of this Section, no withdrawal shall be made:
 - (a) for payments made prior to the Signature Date.
 - (b) For payments under Category 1, unless and until:

- (i) the UN Agency Agreement, referred to in Section I.D of Schedule 2, has been entered into in a manner acceptable to the Association.
- (ii) the PIU has been established as provided in Section I.A.1 of Schedule 2 to this Agreement in manner acceptable to the Association.
- 2. The Closing Date is August 26, 2027.

SCHEDULE 3

Date Payment Due	Principal Amount of the Credit repayable (expressed as a percentage)*
On each March 15 and September 15:	
commencing March 15, 2029 to and including September 15, 2048	1.65%
commencing March 15, 2049 to and including September 15, 2053	3.40%

^{*} The percentages represent the percentage of the principal amount of the Credit to be repaid, except as the Association may otherwise specify pursuant to Section 3.05(b) of the General Conditions.

APPENDIX

Definitions

- 1. "Anti-Corruption Guidelines" means, for purposes of paragraph 5 of the Appendix to the General Conditions, the "Guidelines on Preventing and Combating Fraud and Corruption in Projects Financed by IBRD Loans and IDA Credits and Grants", dated October 15, 2006 and revised in January 2011 and as of July 1, 2016.
- 2. "Auxiliary Civil Registry Service Centers" means civil registry branches at the regional and municipal level.
- 3. "Basis Adjustment to the Interest Charge" means the Association's standard basis adjustment to the Interest Charge for credits in the currency of denomination of the Credit, in effect at 12:01 a.m. Washington, D.C. time, on the date on which the Credit is approved by the Executive Directors of the Association, and expressed either as a positive or negative percentage per annum.
- 4. "Basis Adjustment to the Service Charge" means the Association's standard basis adjustment to the Service Charge for credits in the currency of denomination of the Credit, in effect at 12:01 a.m. Washington, D.C. time, on the date on which the Credit is approved by the Executive Directors of the Association, and expressed as a percentage per annum.
- 5. "Category" means a category set forth in the table in Section III.A of Schedule 2 to this Agreement.
- 6. "Change Management Strategy" means a strategy to address change in processes and technology related to the implementation of the enhanced Newborn registry processes.
- 7. "Civil Registry and Identification System" means the institutional, legal, and technical norms established by the Government to conduct civil registration in a technical, sound, coordinated, and standardized manner throughout the country, considering cultural and social circumstances particular to the country. identification system means the databases, processes, technology, infrastructure, credentials, and legal frameworks associated with the capture, management, and use of personal identity data for a general or specific purpose.
- 8. "Communication and Outreach Material" means communication and outreach material including explanatory videos of the RNP procedures and services with subtitles and in Honduran Sign Language (LESHO).
- 9. "Concessional Financing" means without limitation to the definition of said term in paragraph 19 of the General Conditions, the Credit extended by the Association

- to the Recipient on the terms referred to in Article II to this Agreement and in the General Conditions.
- 10. "Digital Signature" means an electronic, encrypted, stamp of authentication on digital information such as email messages or electronic documents.
- 11. "Enrollment Strategy" means a strategy to promote the registration of Targeted Underaged Population in the SIN.
- 12. "Environmental and Social Commitment Plan" or "ESCP" means the environmental and social commitment plan for the Project, dated November 7, 2023, as the same may be amended from time to time in accordance with the provisions thereof, which sets out the material measures and actions that the Recipient shall carry out or cause to be carried out to address the potential environmental and social risks and impacts of the Project, including the timeframes of the actions and measures, institutional, staffing, training, monitoring and reporting arrangements, and any environmental and social instruments to be prepared thereunder.
- "Environmental and Social Standards" or "ESSs" means, collectively: 13. (i) "Environmental and Social Standard 1: Assessment and Management of Environmental and Social Risks and Impacts"; (ii) "Environmental and Social Standard 2: Labor and Working Conditions"; (iii) "Environmental and Social Standard 3: Resource Efficiency and Pollution Prevention and Management"; (iv) "Environmental and Social Standard 4: Community Health and Safety"; (v) "Environmental and Social Standard 5: Land Acquisition, Restrictions on Land Use and Involuntary Resettlement"; (vi) "Environmental and Social Standard 6: Biodiversity Conservation and Sustainable Management of Living Natural Resources"; (vii) "Environmental and Social Standard 7: Indigenous Peoples/Sub-Saharan African Historically Underserved Traditional Local Communities"; "Environmental and Social Standard 8: Cultural Heritage"; (ix) "Environmental and Social Standard 9: Financial Intermediaries"; (x) "Environmental and Social Standard 10: Stakeholder Engagement and Information Disclosure"; effective on October 1, 2018, as published by the Association.
- 14. "Environmental Management Standards" means a set of criteria and guidelines to manage ICT infrastructure and equipment with an environmentally sustainable perspective.
- 15. "Foundational Civil Registration" means the Recipient's civil registry that keeps record and provides registration certificates of vital events, such the birth certificate, among others.

- 16. "General Conditions" means the "International Development Association General Conditions for IDA Financing, Investment Project Financing", dated December 14, 2018 (Last revised on July 15, 2023).
- 17. "ICT" means information and communications technologies.
- 18. "ID" means identity.
- 19. "Identification System Coverage" means quantity of individuals registered with an ID in the country.
- 20. "Indigenous Languages" means the languages of each of the Indigenous People.
- 21. "Indigenous People" means the Misikito, Garifuna, Lenca, Ch'orti, Tawahka, and any other as identified and agreed between the Recipient and the Association.
- 22. "Midwives" means trained persons to provide care and support to pregnant women during labor, delivery, and after the birth of the Newborn.
- 23. "Mobile Teams" means mobile units composed of equipment, a workforce, and vehicles used to bring the civil registration and identification services to Remote Vulnerable Areas.
- 24. "Newborns" means newborns from birth up to 6 months of age.
- 25. "Omnichannel Strategy" means a user-centric approach in which all service channels are integrated so that users have a seamless experience, whether in person, using a mobile application or a web page among others.
- 26. "Operating Costs", means reasonable costs, as shall have been approved by the Association, for the incremental expenses incurred on account of Project implementation, consisting of, communication costs, office supplies and maintenance, equipment maintenance, utilities, document duplication/printing, non-durable goods, office rental, parking lot rental, transportation costs, maintenance and repair of vehicles, fuel, travel cost and *per diem* for Project staff for travel linked to the implementation of the Project (but excluding salaries of officials of the Recipient's civil service).
- 27. "Personal Data" means any information relating to an identified or identifiable individual. An identifiable individual is one who can be identified by reasonable means, directly or indirectly, by reference to an attribute or combination of attributes within the data, or combination of the data with other available information. Attributes that can be used to identify an identifiable individual include, but are not limited to, name, identification number, location data, online identifier, metadata and factors specific to the physical, physiological, genetic, mental, economic, cultural or social identity of an individual.

- 28. "PIU" means the Project Implementation Unit referred to in Section I.A.1 of Schedule 2 to this Agreement.
- 29. "Privacy Impact Assessment" means an analysis of how personally identifiable information (PII) is handled to ensure compliance with appropriate regulations, and to determine the privacy risks associated with information systems or activities and evaluate ways to reduce and mitigate these risks.
- 30. "Procurement Regulations" means, for purposes of paragraph 85 of the Appendix to the General Conditions, the "World Bank Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers", dated September 2023.
- 31. "Project Operations Manual" means the manual for the Project acceptable to the Association referred to in Section I.C. of Schedule 2 to this Agreement.
- 32. "Registration Equipment" means computers, printers, biometric devices and other accessories to digitally register individuals in SIN's database.
- 33. "Registry Platform" means a digital platform to automate the Newborn registry process.
- 34. "Remote Vulnerable Areas" means remote areas within the Recipient's territory where poverty prevails, with poor basic public services, limited job and entrepreneurial opportunities, and which are vulnerable to environmental disasters.
- 35. "RNP" means the Recipient's National Registry of Persons, established pursuant to RNP Legislation, or any successor thereto acceptable to the Association.
- 36. "RNP Legislation" means the Recipient's Decree No. 62-2004 dated May 11, 2004, and published in the Official Gazette on May 15, 2004.
- 37. "RNP Website" means RNP's internet site housed in https://www.rnp.hn.
- 38. "Security Operations Center" means an in-house or outsourced team of IT security professionals that monitors RNP's entire IT infrastructure, to detect cybersecurity events in real time and address them as quickly and effectively as possible.
- 39. "SEFIN" means the Recipient's Ministry of Finance.
- 40. "Self-Service Kiosks" means interactive terminals that enable users to initiate and complete transactions before the RNP, including making payments, accessing information, among other functions agreed by the Association.
- 41. "Signature Date" means the later of the two dates on which the Recipient and the Association signed this Agreement and such definition applies to all references to "the date of the Financing Agreement" in the General Conditions.

- 42. "SIN" or "National Identification System" means the Recipient's national identification system, established pursuant to RNP Legislation.
- 43. "SIN App" means the SIN's mobile application.
- 44. "Subsidiary Agreement" means the agreement to be entered into between the Recipient and RNP, in a manner acceptable to the Association, referred to in Section I.B. of Schedule 2 to this Agreement.
- 45. "Targeted Underaged Population" means minors between six (6) and seventeen (17) years of age.
- 46. "Training" means the reasonable costs, as shall have been approved by the Association, for training and workshops, conducted under the Project, including tuition, travel and subsistence costs for training participants, costs associated with securing the services of trainers and speakers, rental of training and workshop facilities, preparation and reproduction of training materials, and other costs directly related to training course or workshop preparation and implementation (but excluding goods and consulting services).
- 47. "UN" means United Nations.
- 48. "UN Agency" means UNDP or any other UN agency agreed by the Association.
- 49. "UN Agency Agreement" means the agreement between the RNP and the UN Agency referred to under Section I.D of Schedule 2 to this Agreement.
- 50. "Underserved Areas" means areas within the Recipient's territory with limited availability of civil registry services.
- 51. "UNDP" means the UN Development Programme.
- 52. "Vulnerable Population" means population particularly prone to exclusion and exposed to risks that can negatively impact their lives, such as weak governance, lack of economic diversification, natural disasters, epidemics, job loss, low education, and low ownership of assets.