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Mr. Djamshid Kuchkarov
Minister of Finance
Ministry of Finance
Istiqlol Street 29
Tashkent 100017
Republic of Uzbekistan

Re: IDA Credit 6502-UZ (Prosperous Villages Project)
Additional Instructions: Disbursement and Financial Information Letter

Dear Mr. Kuchkarov:

I refer to the Financing Agreement between the Republic of Uzbekistan (the “Recipient”) and the International Development Association (the “Association”) for the above-referenced Project. The General Conditions, as defined in the Financing Agreement, provide that the Recipient may from time to time request withdrawals of Credit amounts from the Credit Account in accordance with the Disbursement and Financial Information Letter, and such additional instructions as the Association may specify from time to time by notice to the Recipient. The General Conditions also provide that the Disbursement and Financial Information Letter may set out Project specific financial reporting requirements. This letter constitutes such Disbursement and Financial Information Letter (“DFIL”) and may be revised from time to time.

This DFIL also serves as instructions for withdrawal of proceeds of the Loan provided by the Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (“AIIB”) that co-finances the Project with the IDA Credit, as set forth in Schedule 1 of the DFIL.

I. Disbursement Arrangements, Withdrawal of Credit Funds, and Reporting of Uses of Credit Funds.

The *Disbursement Guidelines for Investment Project Financing*, dated February 2017, (“Disbursement Guidelines”) are available in the Association’s public website at <https://www.worldbank.org> and its secure website “Client Connection” at <https://clientconnection.worldbank.org>. The Disbursement Guidelines are an integral part of the DFIL, and the manner in which the provisions in the guidelines apply to the Credit is specified below.

(i) Disbursement Arrangements

General Provisions (Schedule 1). The table in Schedule 1 sets out the disbursement methods which may be used by the Recipient, information on registration of authorized signatures, processing of withdrawal applications (including minimum value of applications and processing of advances), instructions on supporting documentation, and frequency of reporting on the Designated Accounts.

(ii) Electronic Delivery. Section 11.01 (c) of the General Conditions.

The Recipient shall deliver Withdrawal Applications (with supporting documents) electronically through the Association’s web-based portal “Client Connection” at <https://clientconnection.worldbank.org>.



This option will be effected after the officials designated in writing by the Recipient who are authorized to sign and deliver Withdrawal Applications have registered as users of "Client Connection". The designated officials shall deliver Applications electronically by completing the Form 2380, which is accessible through "Client Connection". By signing the Authorized Signatory Letter, the Recipient confirms that it is authorizing such persons to accept Secure Identification Credentials (SIDC) and to deliver the Applications and supporting documents to the Association by electronic means. The Recipient may exercise the option of preparing and delivering Withdrawal Applications in paper form on exceptional cases (including those where the Recipient encounters legal limitations), and which were previously agreed with the Association. By designating officials to use SIDC and deliver the Applications electronically, the Recipient confirms through the authorized signatory letter its agreement to: (a) abide by the Terms and Conditions of Use of Secure Identification Credentials in connection with Use of Electronic Means to Process Applications and Supporting Documentation, available in the Association's public website at <https://worldbank.org> and "Client Connection"; and (b) to cause such official to abide by those terms and conditions.

II. Financial Reports and Audits.

(i) Financial Reports. The Recipient, through MoEI shall prepare and furnish to the Association not later than forty-five (45) days after the end of each calendar quarter, interim unaudited financial reports ("IFR") for the Project covering the quarter.

(ii) Audits. Each audit of the Financial Statements must cover the period of one fiscal year of the Recipient, commencing with the fiscal year in which the first withdrawal was made. The audited Financial Statements for each such period must be furnished to the Association not later than six (6) months after the end of such period.

III. Other Information.

For additional information on disbursement arrangements, please refer to the Loan Handbook available on the Association's website (<http://www.worldbank.org/>) and "Client Connection". The Association recommends that you register as a user of "Client Connection". From this website you will be able to prepare and deliver Applications, monitor the near real-time status of the Credit, and retrieve related policy, financial, and procurement information. For more information about the website and registration arrangements, or if you have any queries in relation to the above, please contact the Association by email at AskLoan@WorldBank.org using the above reference.

Yours sincerely,

Cyril E. Muller
Regional Vice President
Europe and Central Asia

Attachments

1. Form of Authorized Signatory Letter
2. Statement of Expenditure (SOE)
3. Designated Account Reconciliation Statement



With copies: Ministry of Finance
Uzbekistan, 100017, Tashkent city, 29, Istiklol St.
mf@exat.uz

Schedule 1 : Disbursement Provisions

Basic Information				
Grant/Credit Number	Country	Republic of Uzbekistan	Closing Date	Section III.B.2 of Schedule 2 to the Financing Agreement.
	Recipient Name of the Project	Ministry of Finance Prosperous Villages Project	Disbursement Deadline Date	Four months after the closing date. Subsection 3.7 **
Disbursement Methods and Supporting Documentation				
Disbursement Methods Section 2 (**)	Methods	Supporting Documentation Subsections 4.3 and 4.4 (**)		
Direct Payment	Yes	Copy of records		
Reimbursement	Yes	Statement of Expenditure (SOE)		
Advance (into a Designated Account)	Yes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Statement of Expenditure (SOE) in the format provided in Attachment 2 of the DFIL Designated Account Reconciliation Statement in the format provided in Attachment 3 of the DFIL 		
Special Commitments	Yes	Copy of Letter of Credit		
Designated Accounts (Sections 5 and 6 **)				
Type	DA-A (Category 1): Pooled between IDA funds and AIIB funds DA-B (Category 2): Segregated	Ceilings	Fixed	
Financial Institution - Name	To be established at a financial institution acceptable to the Association	Currency	USD	
Frequency of Reporting Subsection 6.3 (**)	Quarterly	Amounts	DA-A: IDA 5,000,000 and AIIB 5,000,000 DA-B: 1,500,000	
Minimum Value of Applications (subsection 3.5)				
The minimum value of applications for Reimbursement, Direct Payment and Special Commitment Application is USD 200,000 equivalent.				
Authorized Signatures (Subsection 3.1 and 3.2 **) The form for Authorized Signatories Letter is provided in Attachment 1 of this letter Withdrawal and Documentation Applications (Subsection 3.3 and 3.4 **)				
An authorized signatory letter in the Form attached (Attachment 2) should be furnished to the Bank at the address indicated below providing the name(s) and specimen signature(s) of the official(s) authorized to sign Applications: The World Bank 1818 H Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20433 United States of America Attention: _____, Country Director				
All Withdrawal Applications and their supporting documentation shall be electronically submitted via the World Bank's web-based Portal "Client Connection"				
Special Instructions				
Direct Payments under Category 1 cannot be done in Local Currency				

** Sections and subsections relate to the "Disbursement Guidelines for Investment Project Financing", dated February 2017.

Attachment 1 – Form of Authorized Signatory Letter

[Letterhead]
Ministry of Finance
[Street address]
[City] [Country]

[DATE]

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

Re: [Grant][Credit]¹ No. _____ - ____ ([Name of the project])
Attention: _____, Country Director

I refer to the [Grant] [Credit] Agreement ("Agreement") between the International Development Association (the "Association")[, acting as implementing of the]² and [name of recipient] (the "Recipient"), dated _____, providing the above [Grant] [Credit]. For the purposes of Section 2.03 of the General Conditions as defined in the Agreement, any ³[one] of the persons whose authenticated specimen signatures appear below is authorized on behalf of the Recipient to sign applications for withdrawal [and applications for a special commitment] under this [Grant] [Credit].

For the purpose of delivering Applications to the Association, including by electronic means, ⁴[each] of the persons whose authenticated specimen signatures appears below is authorized on behalf of the Recipient, acting ⁵[individually] ⁶[jointly], to deliver Applications, and evidence in support thereof on the terms and conditions specified by the Association.

¹ Instruction to the Recipient: use "Credit" or "Grant" as applicable. *Please delete this footnote in final letter that is sent to the Associations.*

² Instruction to the Recipient: add text in line with the Grant Agreement if applicable; if not applicable delete it. *Please delete this footnote in final letter that is sent to the Associations*

³ Instruction to the Recipient: stipulate if more than one person needs to sign Applications, and how many or which positions, and if any thresholds apply. *Please delete this footnote in final letter that is sent to the Association.*

⁴ Instruction to the Recipient: stipulate if more than one person needs to *jointly* sign Applications, if so, please indicate the actual number. *Please delete this footnote in final letter that is sent to the Association.*

⁵ Instruction to the Recipient: use this bracket if any one of the authorized persons may sign; if this is not applicable, please delete. *Please delete this footnote in final letter that is sent to the Association.*

⁶ Instruction to the Recipient: use this bracket only if several individuals must *jointly* sign each Application; if this is not applicable, please delete. *Please delete this footnote in final letter that is sent to the Association.*

This confirms that the Recipient is authorizing such persons to accept Secure Identification Credentials (SIDC) and to deliver the Applications and supporting documents to the Association by electronic means. In full recognition that the Association shall rely upon such representations and warranties, including without limitation, the representations and warranties contained in the *Terms and Conditions of Use of Secure Identification Credentials in connection with Use of Electronic Means to Process Applications and Supporting Documentation* ("Terms and Conditions of Use of SIDC"), the Recipient represents and warrants to the Association that it will cause such persons to abide by those terms and conditions.

This Authorization replaces and supersedes any Authorization currently in the Association records with respect to this Agreement.

[Name], [position] Specimen Signature: _____

[Name], [position] Specimen Signature: _____

[Name], [position] Specimen Signature: _____

Yours truly,

/ signed /

Attachment 2 – Statement of Expenditures

Credit No.: _____

Category No.: _____

SOE No.: _____

[illegible]

Supporting documents for this SOE retained at	(location)

Attachment 3 – Form of Designated Account Reconciliation Statement

DESIGNATED ACCOUNT RECONCILIATION STATEMENT

LOAN/CREDIT/PPF/COFINANCIER NUMBER _____

ACCOUNT NUMBER _____ WITH (BANK) _____

1. TOTAL ADVANCED BY WORLD BANK (OR COFINANCIER) US\$/EUR _____
2. LESS: TOTAL AMOUNT RECOVERED BY WORLD BANK - US\$/EUR _____
3. EQUALS PRESENT OUTSTANDING AMOUNT ADVANCED TO THE DESIGNATED ACCOUNT (NUMBER 1 LESS NUMBER 2) = US\$/EUR _____

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4. BALANCE OF DESIGNATED ACCOUNT PER ATTACHED BANK STATEMENT AS OF DATE _____ US\$/EUR _____
5. PLUS: TOTAL AMOUNT CLAIMED IN THIS APPLICATION NO. _____ + US\$/EUR _____
6. PLUS: TOTAL AMOUNT WITHDRAWN AND NOT YET CLAIMED REASON: _____ + US\$/EUR _____
7. PLUS: AMOUNTS CLAIMED IN PREVIOUS APPLICATIONS NOT YET CREDITED AT DATE OF BANK STATEMENTS

APPLICATION NO.

AMOUNT

SUBTOTAL OF PREVIOUS APPLICATIONS NOT YET CREDITED

+ US\$/EUR _____

8. MINUS: INTEREST EARNED - US\$/EUR _____
9. TOTAL ADVANCE ACCOUNTED FOR (NO. 4 THROUGH NO. 9) = US\$/EUR _____

10. EXPLANATION OF ANY DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE TOTALS APPEARING ON LINES 3 AND 9:

11. DATE: _____

SIGNATURE: _____

TITLE: _____