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Abidjan, le 05 mai 2016  
GHN07/Lettre N°193

Mr. Daniel Kablan Duncan  
Prime Minister,  
Minister of Economy and Finance  
Minister of Budget

Re: Republic of Cote d'Ivoire  
IDA Grant D0030-CI  
IDA Credit 5557-CI

***Health System Strengthening and Ebola Preparedness Project***

Additional Instructions: Disbursement – First Restatement

Dear Minister:

I refer to the Financing Agreement between the International Development Association (the “Association”) and the Republic of Cote d’Ivoire (the “Recipient”) for the above-referenced project, dated Dec 17, 2014. The Agreement provides that the Association may issue additional instructions regarding the withdrawal of the proceeds of IDA Financing (“Grant” and “Credit”) Grant No IDA D0030-CI and Credit No IDA 5557-CI (collectively “Financing”). This letter (“Disbursement Letter”), as revised from time to time, constitutes the additional instructions.

This Disbursement Letter is a First Restatement of the Disbursement Letter dated December 17, 2014 for the above referenced project. The purpose of the restatement is to (a) increase the ceiling of the Designated Account B (section II (vi)) and (b) update Section II (i)(Authorized Signatories). All other provisions and attachments of the Disbursement letter dated December 17, 2014, except as amended, shall remain in force and effect.

The attached *World Bank Disbursement Guidelines for Projects*, dated May 1, 2006, (“Disbursement Guidelines”) (Attachment 1), are an integral part of the Disbursement Letter. The manner in which the provisions in the Disbursement Guidelines apply to the Financing is specified below. Sections and subsections in parentheses below refer to the relevant sections and subsections in the Disbursement Guidelines and, unless otherwise defined in this letter, the capitalized terms used have the meanings ascribed to them in the Disbursement Guidelines.

## I. Disbursement Arrangements

**(i) Disbursement Methods (section 2).** The following Disbursement Methods may be used under the Financing:

- Reimbursement
- Direct Payment
- Special Commitment
- Advance (including UN Advance)

**(ii) Disbursement Deadline Date (subsection 3.7).** The Disbursement Deadline Date is 4 months after the Closing Date specified in the Financing Agreement. Any changes to this date will be notified by the Association.

## II. Withdrawal of Financing Proceeds

**(i) Authorized Signatures (subsection 3.1).**

Applications for this Financing will be signed by the official(s) authorized to sign Applications as indicated in your letter of April 18, 2014 and signed by Nialé Baba, Ministre de L'Economie et des Finances.

**(ii) Applications (subsections 3.2 - 3.3).** Please provide completed and signed (a) applications for withdrawal, together with supporting documents, and (b) applications for special commitments, together with a copy of the commercial bank letter of credit, to the address indicated below:

The World Bank  
Loan Department  
13th Floor, Delta Center  
Menengai Road  
Upper Hill  
P.O. Box 30577-00100  
Nairobi, Kenya  
Tel +254 20 2936 000

**(iii) Electronic Delivery (subsection 3.4)** The Association may permit the Recipient to electronically deliver to the Association Applications (with supporting documents) through the Association's Client Connection, web-based portal. The option to deliver Applications to the Association by electronic means may be effected if: (a) the Recipient has designated in writing, pursuant to the terms of subparagraph (i) of this Section, its officials who are authorized to sign and deliver Applications and to receive secure identification credentials ("SIDC") from the Association for the purpose of delivering such Applications by electronic means; and (b) all such officials designated by the Recipient have registered as users of Client Connection. If the Association agrees, the Association will provide the Recipient with SIDC for the designated officials. Following which, the designated officials may deliver Applications electronically by completing Form 2380, which is accessible through Client Connection (<https://clientconnection.worldbank.org>). The Recipient may continue to exercise the option of preparing and delivering Applications in paper form. The Association reserves the right and may, in its sole discretion, temporarily or permanently disallow the electronic delivery of Applications by the Recipient.

**(iv) Terms and Conditions of Use of SIDC to Process Applications.** By designating officials to use SIDC and by choosing to 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* (“Terms and Conditions of Use of Secure Identification Credentials”) provided in Attachment 3; and (b) to cause such official to abide by those terms and conditions.

**(v) Minimum Value of Applications (subsection 3.5).** The Minimum Value of Applications is 20% of the Designated Accounts ceiling.

**(vi) Advances (sections 5 and 6).**

- **Type of Designated Accounts (subsection 5.3): Pooled**
  - *DA. A* will be managed by the Agence Comptable de la Dette Publique (ACBP) under Ministry of Finance and will finance eligible expenditures under Component 1 of the Project (Category 1 and 2 of Section IV.A.2 of the Financing Agreement)
  - *DA. B* will be managed by the Agence Comptable de la Dette Publique (ACBP) under the Ministry of Finance will finance eligible expenditures under Component 2 of the Project (Category 3 of Section IV.A.2 of the Financing Agreement)
  - Advances made to UNICEF by the Association for eligible expenditures under Category 4 pursuant to section IV.A.2 of Schedule 2 of the Financing Agreement will be deposited into an official UN Bank Account, using the Blanket Commitment form, in accordance with the provisions of the Financial Regulations of UNICEF, as revised to the date of this Agreement.
- **Currency of Designated Accounts (subsection 5.4):** FCFA
- **Financial Institution at which the Designated Accounts Will Be Opened (subsection 5.5):**
  - *DA. A* : Central Bank of West African States (BCEAO)
  - *DA. B*: Central Bank of West African States (BCEAO)
- **Ceiling (subsection 6.1):**
  - **DA.A:** For Category 1 and 2 pursuant to section IV.A.2 of Schedule 2 of the Financing Agreement, the ceiling will be flexible. Advances will be provided to the Designated Account, based on a forecast of expenditures against components and Disbursement Categories for the first six months. The forecast will be based on the Annual Work Plan that will be provided to IDA and cleared by the task team leader prior to implementation.
  - **DA.B:** FCFA 500,000,000
  - For all UN Advances under Category 4 of section IV.A.2 of Schedule 2 of the Agreement, a UN Advance account with commitment will be established to facilitate disbursements that are consistent with UNICEF cash flow requirements.

**The Ceiling of the UN Advance Account will be the equivalent of 100 percent of the contract amount.**

**III. Reporting on Use of Financing Proceeds**

**(i) Supporting Documentation (section 4).** Supporting documentation should be provided with each application for withdrawal as set out below:

- ***For requests for Reimbursement and for reporting eligible expenditures paid from the Designated Accounts:***
  - Records evidencing eligible expenditures (e.g., copies of receipts, supplier invoices) for payments for works against contracts valued at US\$500,000 or more; for goods against contracts value at US\$200,000 for services of consulting firms against contracts valued at US\$ 100,000 or more; for individual consultant services against contracts valued at US\$50,000 or more; for all operating expenditures;
  - Customized Statement of Expenditure in the form attached (Attachment 7) for Performance Based Financing under Category 1 and 2 of Section IV.A.2 of Schedule 2 of the Financing Agreement
  - Statement of Expenditure in the form attached (Attachment 4) for all other expenditures / contracts; and
  - List of payments against contracts that are subject to the Association's prior review, in the form attached (Attachment 5)
  
- ***For requests for Direct Payment:*** records evidencing eligible expenditures, e.g., copies of receipts, supplier invoices and documentary evidence of delivery and the Recipient's acceptance of contracted goods or services

**(ii) Frequency of Reporting Eligible Expenditures Paid from the Designated Account and the UN Advance Account:**

Quarterly

**(iii) Other Supporting Documentation Instructions:**

All other supporting documentation for SOEs should be retained by the project management or Recipient and must be made available for review by periodic World Bank missions and internal and external auditors.

Copies of the bank statements of the Designated Account and a reconciliation statement (Attachment 6) for this Account should be submitted with each Application for advances to the designated account and/or for reporting eligible expenditures paid from the Designated Account.

Withdrawal Applications for Performance Based Financing under Category 1 and 2 of Section IV.A.2 of Schedule 2 of the Financing Agreement must be supported by:

- A six month cash forecast which reflects cash needs for project components supported under said Categories.
- Copies of the Independent expert verification certification of the Delivery of the Packages of Health Services satisfactory to the Association for eligible expenditures under said Categories of Section IV.A.2 of Schedule 2 of the Financing Agreement

#### **IV. Other Disbursement Information**

The proceeds of the IDA Financing (Grant and Credit) will be advanced into the “pooled” DAs. A combined fixed ceiling (See Section II.vi) has been determined for each DA and will be allocated to each financing source as follows:

DA.A: 48% of the first six month forecast of the Annual Work Plan for IDA Grant, and 52% of the first six month forecast of the Annual Work Plan for IDA Credit, will finance eligible expenditures under Category 1 and 2 of Section IV.A.2 of the Financing Agreement

DA.B: FCFA 210,000,000 for IDA Grant and FCFA 290,000,000 for IDA Credit will finance eligible expenditures under Category 3 of Section IV.A.2 of the Financing Agreement

Funds from the Designated Accounts may be transferred to Transaction Accounts in local currency to meet eligible expenditures, provided that transactions and balance in this account are included in all project financial reports and in the Designated Account reconciliation.

#### **IV. Other Important Information**

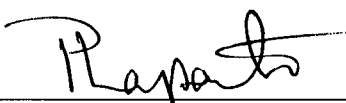
For additional information on disbursement arrangements, please refer to the Disbursement Handbook available on the Association’s public website at <https://www.worldbank.org> and its secure website “Client Connection” at <https://clientconnection.worldbank.org>. Print copies are available upon request.

From the Client Connection website, you will be able to prepare and deliver Applications, monitor the near real-time status of the Financing, and retrieve related policy, financial, and procurement information.

If you have not already done so, the Association recommends that you register as a user of the Client Connection website (<https://clientconnection.worldbank.org>). From this website you will be able to prepare and deliver Applications, monitor the near real-time status of the Financing, and retrieve related policy, financial, and procurement information. All Recipient officials authorized to sign and deliver Applications by electronic means are required to register with Client Connection before electronic delivery can be affected. For more information about the website and registration arrangements, please contact the Association by email at <[clientconnection@worldbank.org](mailto:clientconnection@worldbank.org)>.

If you have any queries in relation to the above, please contact Faly Diallo, Finance Officer at [LOA-AFR@worldbank.org](mailto:LOA-AFR@worldbank.org) using the above reference.

Yours sincerely,  
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