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RECOMMENDATION OF THE STATUTORY COMMITTEE

TO: The President, International Development Association

Recommendation of the nominee selected by the Republic of Rwanda as a member of the Committee under Section 1 (d) of Article V of the Articles of Agreement on the proposed Credit (Eastern and Southern Africa Higher Education Centers of Excellence Project – ACE II) to the Republic of Rwanda

The undersigned member of the Committee constituted under Section 1(d) of Article V of the Articles of Agreement of 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 Rwanda a credit in an amount equivalent to SDR 14,500,000. The purpose of said credit is to support the Recipient to strengthen selected Eastern and Southern African Higher Education Institutions in the Recipient's territory to deliver quality post-graduate education and build collaborative research capacity in the regional priority areas.

- 1. The member of the Committee has carefully studied the merits of the proposal to grant such a credit, and of the purpose to which the proceeds of the credit 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 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 Rwanda and is of high developmental priority in the light of the needs of the Republic of Rwanda.
- 3. Accordingly, the member of the Committee finds that said project merits financial assistance from the Association, and hereby recommends said project for such assistance.

MATHILDE MUKANTARANA

AMBASSADOR

Nominee selected by Governor for the

Republic of Rwanda

5 17 2016 Dated at Washington, D.C.