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His Excellency Gheorghe Ialomitianu Minister Ministry of Public Finance Bucharest, Romania

Dear Mr. Minister:

## Health Sector Reform Project – Phase II (Loan No. 4760-RO)

Fourth Amendment to the Loan Agreement

We refer to the Loan Agreement between Romania (the Borrower) and the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (the Bank), for the above-referenced Project, dated January 28, 2005 (the Loan Agreement), as amended and your letters dated September 23, 2010 and November 19, 2010, requesting certain amendments to the above mentioned Loan Agreement.

We concur with your request and hereby agree to amend the Loan Agreement as follows (the modifications are shown in *italics*):

1. In Article I, Section 1.02, a new paragraph (d) is added to read as follows: "(d) "National Strategy for Hospital and Sanitary System Rationalization" means the Borrower's strategy for 2010-2012 as adopted by MOH.

All paragraphs in Article I, Section 1.02. of the Loan Agreement will be relettered accordingly.

2. In Article II, Section 2.03 is amended as follows (modifications are shown *in italics*):

"Section 2.03. The Closing Date shall be *December 15, 2011*, or such later date as the Bank shall establish. The Bank shall promptly notify the Borrower of such later date."

3. Schedule 2 is amended as follows:

3.1. In **Part C** a new sub-paragraph c) is added to read as follows:

"c) rehabilitation of vaccine production and ampoule filling and sealing area at the Cantacuzino Institute, including the purchase of the necessary equipment."

3.2. In **Part E** a new sub-paragraph 3 is added to read as follows:

"3. Provision of technical assistance to assist the MOH in the preparation and starting up of the implementation of the National Strategy for Hospital and Sanitary System Rationalization of the Borrower."

4. In Schedule 4, Sections I.A and I.B are amended to apply the revised "Guidelines: Procurement under IBRD Loans and IDA Credits" (the Procurement Guidelines) and, respectively "Guidelines: Selection and Employment of Consultants by World Bank Borrower (the Consultant Guidelines), both dated May 2004, Revised October 1, 2006 and May 1, 2010.

The revised Procurement Guidelines and Consultant Guidelines are provided as attachments to this letter.

The revised Supplemental Letter is provided separately.

Please confirm your agreement with the foregoing, on behalf of Romania, by signing, dating and returning to us the enclosed copy of this letter. This amendment will become effective upon the date of your countersigning of this letter.

Sincerely,

/s/ Peter Harrold Director Central Europe and the Baltic Countries Europe and Central Asia Region

AGREED:

ROMANIA

By /s/ Bogdan Dragoi Authorized Representative

Title Secretary of State

Date February 28, 2011

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