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RECOMMENDATION OF THE STATUTORY COMMITTEE

TO: The President, International Development Association

Recommendation of the nominee selected by the Islamic Republic of Mauritania as a member of the Committee under Section 1 (d) of Article V of the Articles of Agreement on the proposed Grant Regional Sahel Pastoralism Support Project to the Islamic Republic of Mauritania.

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 grants to the Islamic Republic of Mauritania a grant in an amount equivalent to SDR 32,700,000. The purpose of said grants is to improve access to essential productive assets, services and markets, for pastoralist and agro-pastoralists in selected trans-border areas and along transhumance axes across six Sahel Countries, and strengthen country capacities to respond promptly and effectively to pastoral crises or emergencies.

1. The undersigned member of the Committee has carefully studied the merits of the proposal to grant such a grant, and of the purpose to which the proceeds of the grant are to be applied.
2. The undersigned member of the Committee is of the opinion that the project toward the financing of which the proceeds of such grant 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 Islamic Republic of Mauritania and is of high developmental priority in the light of the needs of the Islamic Republic of Mauritania.
3. Accordingly, the undersigned member of the Committee finds that said project merits financial assistance from the Association, and hereby recommends said project for such assistance.

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Nominee selected by Governor for the Islamic Republic of Mauritania

Dated at Washington, D.C. April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2015