Honorable Augustine Kpehe Ngafuan  
Minister of Finance  
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Re: LIBERIA: Low-Income Countries under Stress (LICUS) Trust Fund Grant for  
Capacity Building for Judicial Services (CBJS)  
Grant Number TF091831 LICUS No. 71 (Bank-Executed)  
Amendment to Letter of Agreement

Honorable Ngafuan:

We refer to the Letter Agreement dated May 26, 2008, countersigned on May 29, 2008, between the Republic of Liberia (the Recipient) and the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (the Bank) for the above-mentioned Project (the Agreement), and to the letter of the Honorable Johnnie N. Lewis, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Liberia, requesting an amendment to the Letter Agreement to allow for the funding of a planned rehabilitation of a courtroom in the existing Temple of Justice building, to facilitate the establishment of a Commercial Court.

The Bank is pleased to accede to your request, and hereby informs you that we will agree to amend the Letter Agreement for the LICUS Grant for this purpose.

Accordingly, the Letter Agreement is amended as follows:

1. Paragraph 2 of the Annex to the Letter Agreement is amended to add the word “works” after the words “Equipment costs”.
2. Paragraph 6 of the Annex to the Letter Agreement is amended to add: (i) the word “works” after the words “goods” each time; and (ii) a new provision as follows: “The works shall be carried out according to applicable local laws, regulations and standards.” at the end of the paragraph.
3. Attachment I to the Annex to the Letter Agreement is replaced with the new Attachment I annexed hereto.

All other terms and conditions of the Agreement will remain unchanged.
Please confirm your agreement with the foregoing, on behalf of the Recipient, by signing, dating, and returning to us the enclosed copy of this letter of amendment (Amendment). Upon receipt by the Bank of the copy of this Amendment countersigned by you, this Amendment will become effective as of the date of the countersignature.

Very truly yours,

INTERNATIONAL BANK FOR RECONSTRUCTION AND DEVELOPMENT

By /s/ S. Kulyk

S. Kulyk
Acting Country Director for the Republic of Liberia
Africa Region

AGREED:

REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA

By /s/ Augustine Kpehe Ngafuan

Minister of Finance

Date: October 7, 2010
Attachment I

Procurement of Consultants’ Services, Goods and Works

Section I. General

A. All consultants’ services shall be procured in accordance with Sections I and IV of the “Guidelines: Selection and Employment of Consultants by World Bank Borrowers” dated May 2004, as revised in October 2006 and May 2010 (the Consultant Guidelines), and with the provisions of this Schedule.

B. All goods, works and non-consultants' services required for the Project and to be financed out of the proceeds of the Grant shall be procured in accordance with Section I of the “Guidelines for Procurement under IBRD Loans and IDA Credits” published by the World Bank in May 2004, as revised in October 2006 and May 2010 (the Procurement Guidelines).

C. The capitalized terms used below in this Schedule to describe particular procurement methods or methods of review by the Association of particular contracts have the meanings ascribed to them in the Consultant Guidelines.

Section II. Particular Methods of Procurement of Consultants' Services

A. Quality- and Cost-based Selection. Except as otherwise provided in Part B of this Section, consultants’ services shall be procured under contracts awarded on the basis of Quality and Cost-Based Selection.

B. Individual Consultants. Services for assignments that meet the requirements set forth in the first sentence of paragraph 5.1 of the Consultant Guidelines may be procured under contracts awarded to individual consultants in accordance with the provisions of paragraphs 5.2 through 5.3 of the Consultant Guidelines.

Section III. Particular Methods of Procurement of Goods, Works, and Training

1. The following list specifies the methods of procurement which may be used for goods and works:

   (a) National Competitive Bidding
   (b) Shopping
   (c) Direct Contracting

2. Exceptions to National Competitive Bidding Procedures. The following provisions shall apply to the procurement of goods and works under National Competitive Bidding procedures: (a) foreign bidders shall be allowed to participate in National Competitive Bidding procedures; (b) bidders shall be given at least one month to submit bids from the
date of the invitation to bid or the date of availability of bidding documents, whichever is later; (c) no domestic preference shall be given for domestic bidders and for domestically manufactured goods; and (d) In accordance with para. 1.14 (e) of the Procurement Guidelines, each bidding document and contract financed out of the proceeds of the Financing shall provide that: (i) the bidders, suppliers, contractor and subcontractors shall permit the Association, at its request, to inspect their accounts and records relating to the bid submission and performance of the contract, and to have said accounts and records audited by auditors appointed by the Association: and (ii) the deliberate and material violation by the bidder, supplier, contractor or subcontractor of such provision may amount to an obstructive practice as defined in paragraph 1.14(a)(v) of the Procurement Guidelines.

3. Non-Consulting Services for training and purchase of goods associated with training shall be procured in accordance with the Procurement Guidelines on the basis of shopping.

4. The Procurement Plan shall specify the circumstances under which such methods may be used.