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Dominican Republic

Re: IBRD Loan 8913-DO (Additional Financing to Support the National Education Pact Project)
Additional Instructions: Disbursement and Financial Information Letter

Excellency:

I refer to the Loan Agreement between The Dominican Republic (the “Borrower”) and the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (the “Bank”) for the above-referenced Project. The General Conditions, as defined in the Loan Agreement, provide that the Borrower may from time to time request withdrawals of Loan Amounts from the Loan Account in accordance with the Disbursement and Financial Information Letter, and such additional instructions as the Bank may specify from time to time by notice to the Borrower. The General Conditions also provide that the Disbursement and Financial Information Letter may set out Project specific financial reporting requirements. This letter constitutes such Disbursement and Financial Information Letter (“DFIL”), and may be revised from time to time.

I. Disbursement Arrangements, Withdrawal of Loan Funds, and Reporting of Uses of Loan Funds


(i) Disbursement Arrangements

The table in Schedule 1 sets out the disbursement methods which may be used by the Borrower, and conditions, information on registration of authorized signatures, processing of withdrawal applications (including minimum value of applications and processing of advances), instructions on supporting documentation, and frequency of reporting on the Designated Account.

(ii) Electronic Delivery. Section 10.01 (c) of the General Conditions.

The Bank may permit the Borrower to electronically deliver applications (with supporting documents) through the Bank’s web-based portal (https://clientconnection.worldbank.org), “Client Connection”. This option may be effected if the officials designated in writing by the Borrower who are authorized to sign and deliver Applications have registered as users of “Client Connection”. The designated officials may deliver
Applications electronically by completing the Form 2380, which is accessible through “Client Connection”. By signing the Authorized Signatory Letter, the Borrower confirms that it is authorizing such persons to accept Secure Identification Credentials (SIDC) and to deliver the Applications and supporting documents to the Bank by electronic means. The Borrower may continue to exercise the option of preparing and delivering Applications in paper form. The Bank reserves the right and may, in its sole discretion, temporarily or permanently disallow the electronic delivery of Applications by the Borrower. By designating officials to use SIDC and by choosing to deliver the Applications electronically, the Borrower 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, available in the Bank's public website at https://worldbank.org and “Client Connection”; and (b) to cause such official to abide by those terms and conditions.

II. Financial Reports and Audits

(i) Financial Reports. The Borrower, through MINERD, must prepare and furnish to the Bank not later than forty-five (45) days after the end of each calendar semester, interim unaudited financial reports (“IFR”) for the Project covering the semester, with form and substance similar to that already being provided for the original Project, and consolidated in the same periodic reports.

(ii) Audits. Each audit of the Project Financial Statements must cover the period of one fiscal year of the Borrower. The audit for this Additional Financing, commencing with the fiscal year in which the first withdrawal was made, will be jointly performed with that of the original Project, and consolidated in the same Audit Reports. The audited Financial Statements for each such period must be furnished to the Bank not later than four (4) months after the end of such period, and should be made publicly available in accordance with the provisions of Section 5.09 (b). After the first disbursement, the Bank shall not be required to make further withdrawals if the Borrower shall have failed to furnish to the Bank, within the four (4) months-period, the annual financial audit.

(iii) Verification Reports. All Disbursement Linked Indicators (DLIs) are subject to the verification of achieved results following the verification protocol. Customized Statement of Expenditures to report on achieved DLIs and Eligible Expenditures (EEPs). EEPs for the original Project will be kept, except for the following: Salaries of staff of the National Institute of Student Welfare (Instituto Nacional de Bienestar Estudiantil INABIE), and salaries of staff of National Institute of Physical Education (Instituto Nacional de Educación Física -INEFI). In addition, staff salaries of the DR Ministry of Education (MINERD) are added. These EEPs will be the basis for the external audit firm to perform the external audits.

III. Other Information

For additional information on disbursement arrangements, please refer to the Loan Handbook available on the Bank’s website (http://www.worldbank.org/) and “Client Connection”. The Bank recommends that you register as a user of “Client Connection”. From this website you will be able to prepare and deliver Applications, monitor the near real-time status of the Loan, and retrieve related policy, financial, and procurement information. For more information about the website and registration arrangements, please contact the Bank by email at clientconnection@worldbank.org.
If you have any queries in relation to the above, please contact Jose Janeiro Senior Finance Officer at jjaneiro@worldbank.org, with copy to Patricia Melo, Finance Analyst at pmelo@worldbank.org using the above reference.

Yours sincerely,

Alessandro Legrottaglie
Country Manager - LCCDO
Attachments
1. Form of Authorized Signatory Letter
2. Customized Statement of Expenditure (SOE) – please use the same form as for Loan 8540-DO

With copies:

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Avenida México, Esquina Dr. Delgado
Edificio de Oficinas Gubernamentales, Bloque B
Distrito Nacional, Santo Domingo, República Dominicana

MINERD
Avenida Máximo Gómez
Santiago, No. 02, Gazcue
Distrito Nacional, Santo Domingo, República Dominicana

OCI
Avenida Máximo Gómez
No. 19, Esq. Bolívar, Gazcue
Distrito Nacional, Santo Domingo, República Dominicana
## Schedule 1: Disbursement Provisions

### Basic Information

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<th>Loan Number</th>
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### Disbursement Methods and Supporting Documentation

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**Designated Account (Sections 5 and 6**)**

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### Minimum Value of Applications (subsection 3.5)

N/A.

**Authorized Signatures (Subsection 3.1 and 3.2 **)**  The form for Authorized Signatories Letter is provided in Attachment 1 of this letter

**Withdrawal and Documentation Applications (Subsection 3.3 and 3.4 **)**

Authorized Signatures: A letter in the Form attached (Attachment 1) should be furnished to the Bank at the address indicated below providing the name(s) and specimen signature(s) of the official(s) authorized to sign Applications:

The World Bank
1818 H Street, N.W.
Washington, DC 20433, USA
Attention: Ms. Tahseen Sayed, Country Director

Applications: Completed Applications for withdrawal, together with supporting documents, should be provided through the Bank’s Client Connection, web-based portal, following the instructions for electronic delivery.

### Additional Information

N/A
Other

As for Loan 8540, in addition to a Customized SOE reporting payments made for EEPs, disbursements to be made from disbursement category 1 of this Additional Financing, will require evidence, acceptable to the Bank and formally communicated to the Borrower, on the level of achievement of results and the fulfilment of conditions of disbursement. Should the amount corresponding to the results achieved exceed the amount of payments made for EEPs, the maximum amount to be disbursed will be the amount of payments made for EEPs.

**Sections and subsections relate to the “Disbursement Guidelines for Investment Project Financing”, dated February 2017.**
The World Bank
1818 H Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20433
United States of America

Attention: [Country Director]

Re: IBRD Loan _____-____ [name of [Program] [Operation] ]

I refer to the Loan Agreement between the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (the “World Bank”) and [name of borrower] (the “Borrower”), dated ______, providing the above Loan. For the purposes of Section 2.03 of the General Conditions as defined in the Agreement, any ¹[one] of the persons whose authenticated specimen signatures appear below is authorized on behalf of the Borrower to sign applications for withdrawal under this Loan.

For the purpose of delivering Applications to the World Bank, ²[each] of the persons whose authenticated specimen signatures appears below is authorized on behalf of the Borrower, acting ³[individually] ⁴[jointly], to deliver Applications, and evidence in support thereof on the terms and conditions specified by the World Bank.

⁵[This confirms that the Borrower is authorizing such persons to accept Secure Identification Credentials (SIDC) and to deliver the Applications and supporting documents to the World Bank by electronic means. In full recognition that the World Bank shall rely upon such representations and warranties, including without limitation, the representations and warranties contained in the Terms and Conditions of Use of Secure Identification Credentials in connection with Use of

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¹ Instruction to the Borrower: Stipulate if more than one person needs to sign Applications, and how many or which positions, and if any thresholds apply. Please delete this footnote in final letter that is sent to the Bank.

² Instruction to the Borrower: Stipulate if more than one person needs to jointly sign Applications, if so, please indicate the actual number. Please delete this footnote in final letter that is sent to the Bank.

³ Instruction to the Borrower: Use this bracket if any one of the authorized persons may sign; if this is not applicable, please delete. Please delete this footnote in final letter that is sent to the Bank.

⁴ Instruction to the Borrower: Use this bracket only if several individuals must jointly sign each Application; if this is not applicable, please delete. Please delete this footnote in final letter that is sent to the Bank.

⁵ Instruction to the Borrower: Add this paragraph if the Borrower wishes to authorize the listed persons to accept Secure Identification Credentials and to deliver Applications by electronic means. If this is not applicable, please delete the paragraph. Please delete this footnote in final letter that is sent to the Bank.
Electronic Means to Process Applications and Supporting Documentation ("Terms and Conditions of Use of SIDC"), the Borrower represents and warrants to the World Bank that it will cause such persons to abide by those terms and conditions.

This Authorization replaces and supersedes any Authorization currently in the World Bank records with respect to this Agreement.

[Name], [position]  Specimen Signature: ______________________

[Name], [position]  Specimen Signature: ______________________

[Name], [position]  Specimen Signature: ______________________

Yours truly,

/ signed /

[Position]
Attachment 2 – Customized Statement of Expenditures[5]
(Please use the same form as for Loan 8540-DO)