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DRC: Democratic Republic of Congo: Advance Agreement for Preparation of Proposed Agricultural Productivity and Commercialization Project  
PPA N° IDA V1400:  
Additional Instructions: Disbursement

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I refer to the Advance Agreement between the Democratic Republic of Congo ("Recipient") and the International Development Association/International Bank for Reconstruction and Development ("World Bank") of same date herewith for the above-referenced project (the "Agreement"). The Agreement provides that the World Bank may issue additional instructions regarding the withdrawal of the proceeds of the Project Preparation Advance IDA V 1400 ("PPA"). This letter ("Disbursement Letter"), as revised from time to time, constitutes the additional instructions.

The attached Disbursement Guidelines for Investment Project Financing, dated February 1, 2017, ("Disbursement Guidelines") (Attachment 1), are an integral part of the Disbursement Letter. The manner in which the provisions in the Disbursement Guidelines apply to the Financing is specified below. Sections and subsections in parentheses below refer to the relevant sections and subsections in the Disbursement Guidelines and, unless otherwise defined in this letter, the capitalized terms used have the meanings ascribed to them in the Disbursement Guidelines.

I. Disbursement Arrangements

(i) Disbursement Methods (section 2). The following Disbursement Methods may be used under the PPA:

• Reimbursement
• Direct Payment
(ii) **Disbursement Deadline Date** *(subsection 3.7).* The Disbursement Deadline Date is the Refinancing Date specified in the Agreement. Any changes to this date will be notified by the Association.

II. Withdrawal of PPA Proceeds

(i) **Authorized Signatures** *(subsection 3.1).*

A letter in the Form attached (Attachment 2) should be furnished to the Association at the address indicated below providing the name(s) and specimen signature(s) of the official(s) authorized to sign Applications:

Banque mondiale  
Boulevard Tshatshi Nr. 49  
Immeuble De Witte  
Commune de la Gombe  
Entre la Présidence de la République et le Grand Hôtel de Kinshasa  
Kinshasa, République Démocratique du Congo  
Attention de : Mr. Ahmadou Moustapha Ndiaye, Directeur-pays

(ii) **Applications** *(subsections 3.2 - 3.3).* Please provide completed and signed (a) applications for withdrawal, together with supporting documents and (b) applications for special commitments, together with a copy of the commercial bank letter of credit, to the address indicated below:

The World Bank  
Loan Department  
Delta Center, 13th Floor  
Menengai Road, Upper Hill  
Nairobi, Kenya  
Contact Telephone number: +254 20 2936 000

(iii) **Electronic Delivery** *(subsection 3.4)* The Association may permit the Recipient to electronically deliver to the Association Applications (with supporting documents) through the Association’s Client Connection, web-based portal. The option to deliver Applications to the Association by electronic means may be effected if: (a) the Recipient has designated in writing, pursuant to the terms of subparagraph (i) of this Section, its officials who are authorized to sign and deliver Applications and to receive secure identification credentials (“SIDC”) from the Association for the purpose of delivering such Applications by electronic means; and (b) all such officials designated by the Recipient have registered as users of Client Connection. If the Association agrees, the Association will provide the Recipient with SIDC for the designated officials. Following which, the designated officials may deliver Applications electronically by completing Form 2380, which is accessible through Client Connection (https://clientconnection.worldbank.org). The Recipient may continue to exercise the option of preparing and delivering Applications in paper form. The Association reserves the right and may, in its sole discretion, temporarily or permanently disallow the electronic delivery of Applications by the Recipient.
(iv) Terms and Conditions of Use of SIDC to Process Applications. By designating officials to use SIDC and by choosing to deliver the Applications electronically, the Recipient 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 (“Terms and Conditions of Use of Secure Identification Credentials”) provided in Attachment 3; and (b) to cause such official to abide by those terms and conditions.

(v) Minimum Value of Applications (subsection 3.5). The Minimum Value of Applications will be 20% of the advance ceiling amount.

(vi) Advances (sections 5 and 6).

- Type of Designated Account (subsection 5.3): Segregated
- Currency of Designated Account (subsection 5.4): USD
- Financial Institution at which the Designated Account Will Be opened (subsection 5.5(a) – (h)): CITIBANK - CONGO
- Ceiling (subsection 6.1): USD 700,000

III. Reporting on Use of PPA Proceeds

(i) Supporting Documentation (section 4). Supporting documentation should be provided with each application for withdrawal as set out below:

- For requests for Reimbursement and for reporting eligible expenditures paid from the Designated Account:
  - Statement of Expenditure in the form attached (Attachment 4)
  - List of payments against contracts that are subject to the World Bank’s prior review, in the form attached (Attachment 5)

- For requests for Direct Payment: records evidencing eligible expenditures, e.g., copies of receipts, supplier invoices

(ii) Frequency of Reporting Eligible Expenditures Paid from the Designated Account (subsection 6.3): monthly

(iii) Other Supporting Documentation Instructions
All other supporting documentation for SOEs should be retained by the project management or Recipient and must be made available for review by periodic World Bank missions and internal and external auditors.

IV Other Disbursement Instructions

Funds from the Designated Account may be transferred to Transaction Accounts in local currency to meet eligible expenditures, provided that transactions and balance in this account are included in all project Financial reports and in the reconciliation referred to in Section III (iii) above.

V. Other Important Information


From the Client Connection website, you will be able to download Applications, monitor the near real-time status of the PPA, and retrieve related policy, financial, and procurement information.

If you have not already done so, the World Bank recommends that you register as a user of the Client Connection website (https://clientconnection.worldbank.org). From this website you will be able to prepare and deliver Applications, monitor the near real-time status of the PPA, and retrieve related policy, financial, and procurement information. All Recipient officials authorized to sign and deliver Applications by electronic means are required to register with Client Connection before electronic delivery can be effected. For more information about the website and registration arrangements, please contact the World Bank by email at <clientconnection@worldbank.org>.

If you have any queries in relation to the above, please contact Issa Thiam, Finance Officer at LOA-AFR@worldbank.org using the above reference.

Very truly yours,

INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION

By

Ahmadou Moustapha Ndiaye
Country Director
Africa Region
Attachments
1. *Disbursement Guidelines for Investment Project Financing*, dated February 1, 2017
2. Form for Authorized Signatures
3. *Terms and Conditions of Use of Secure Identification Devices in connection with Use of Electronic Means to Process Applications and Supporting Documentation*, dated March 1, 2013,
4. Form of “Statement of Expenditure”
5. Form of Payments Against Contracts Subject to the World Bank's Prior Review
Dear Mr. Ndiaye, Country Director:

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I refer to the Advance Agreement between the Democratic Republic of Congo ("Recipient") and the International Development Association/International Bank for Reconstruction and Development ("World Bank") of same date herewith for the above-referenced project (the "Agreement"). For the purposes of Section 3.03 of the Standard Conditions for Advances Made by the World Bank under its Project Preparation Facility, as defined in the Agreement, any [one] of the persons whose authenticated specimen signatures appear below is authorized on behalf of the Recipient to sign applications for withdrawal and applications for a special commitment under this Project Preparation Advance:

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

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1 Instruction to the Recipient when sending this letter to the World Bank: Stipulate if more than one person needs to sign Applications, and how many or which positions, and if any thresholds apply.

2 Instruction to the Recipient: 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 Recipient: 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 Recipient: 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.
This confirms that the Recipient is authorizing such persons to accept Tokens 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 Devices in connection with Use of Electronic Means to Process Applications and Supporting Documentation ("Terms and Conditions of Use of Tokens"), the Recipient represents and warrants to the World Bank that it will deliver to each such person a copy of the Terms and Conditions of Use of Tokens and 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]6

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5 Instruction to the Recipient: Add this paragraph if the Recipient wishes to authorize the listed persons to accept Tokens 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.

6 The letter should be signed by the official designated as the Recipient's Representative in the Advance Agreement.
The World Bank (Bank)\(^7\) will provide secure identification credentials (SIDC) to permit the Borrower\(^8\) to deliver applications for withdrawal and applications for special commitments under the Agreement(s) and supporting documentation (such applications and supporting documentation together referred to in these Terms and Conditions of Use as Applications) to the Bank electronically, on the terms and conditions of use specified herein.

SIDC can be either: (a) hardware-based (Physical Token), or (b) software-based (Soft Token). The Bank reserves the right to determine which type of SIDC is most appropriate.

**A. Identification of Users.**

1. The Borrower will be required to identify in a completed Authorized Signatory Letter (ASL) duly delivered to and received by the Bank each person who will be authorized to deliver Applications. The Bank will provide SIDC to each person identified in the ASL (Signatory), as provided below. The Borrower shall also immediately notify the Bank if a Signatory is no longer authorized by the Borrower to act as a Signatory.

2. Each Signatory must register as a user on the Bank’s Client Connection (CC) website (https://clientconnection.worldbank.org) prior to receipt of his/her SIDC. Registration on CC will require that the Signatory establish a CC password (CC Password). The Signatory shall not reveal his/her CC Password to anyone or store or record the CC Password in written or other form. Upon registration as a CC user, the Signatory will be assigned a unique identifying account name.

**B. Initialization of SIDC.**

1. Prior to initialization of SIDC by a Signatory, the Signatory will acknowledge having read, understood and agreed to be bound by these Terms and Conditions of Use.

2. Where a Physical Token is to be used, promptly upon receipt of the Physical Token, the Signatory will access CC using his/her account name and CC Password and register his/her Physical Token and set a personal identification number (PIN) to be used in connection with the use of his/her Physical Token, after which the Physical Token will be initialized for use by the Signatory exclusively for purposes of delivering Applications. Where a Soft Token is to be used,

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\(^7\) “Bank” includes IBRD and IDA.

\(^8\) “Borrower” includes the borrower of an IBRD loan, IDA credit, or Project Preparation Facility advance and the recipient of a grant.
the Signatory will access CC using his/her account name and CC Password and set a personal identification number (PIN) to be used in connection with the use of his/her Soft Token, after which the Soft Token will be initialized for use by the Signatory exclusively for purposes of delivering Applications. Upon initialization of the SIDC, the Signatory will be a “SIDC User”. The Bank will maintain in its database a user account (Account) for each SIDC User for purposes of managing the SIDC of the SIDC User. Neither the Borrower nor the SIDC User will have any access to the Account.

3. Prior to first use of the SIDC by the SIDC User, the Borrower shall ensure that the SIDC User has received training materials provided by the Bank in use of the SIDC.

C. Use of SIDC.

1. Use of the SIDC is strictly limited to use in the delivery of Applications by the SIDC User in the manner prescribed by the Bank in the Agreement(s) and these Terms and Conditions. Any other use of the SIDC is prohibited.

2. The Bank assumes no responsibility or liability whatsoever for any misuse of the SIDC by the SIDC User, other representatives of the Borrower, or third parties.

3. The Borrower undertakes to ensure, and represents and warrants to the Bank (such representation and warranty being expressly relied upon by the Bank in granting SIDC) that each SIDC User understands and will abide by, these Terms and Conditions of Use, including without limitation the following:

4. Security

4.1. The SIDC User shall not reveal his/her PIN to anyone or store or record the PIN in written or other form.

4.2. The SIDC User shall not allow anyone else to utilize his/her SIDC to deliver an Application to the Bank.

4.3. The SIDC User shall always logout from CC when not using the system. Failure to logout properly can create a route into the system that is unprotected.

4.4. If the SIDC User believes a third party has learned his/her PIN or has lost his/her Physical Token he/she shall immediately notify clientconnection@worldbank.org.

4.5. The Borrower shall immediately notify the Bank at clientconnection@worldbank.org of any lost, stolen or compromised SIDC, and take other reasonable steps to ensure such SIDC are disabled immediately.

5. Reservation of Right to Disable SIDC

5.1. The Borrower shall reserve the right to revoke the authorization of a SIDC User to use a SIDC for any reason.

5.2. The Bank reserves the right, in its sole discretion, to temporarily or permanently disable a SIDC, de-activate a SIDC User’s Account or both.