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Re: Nigeria: IDA Credit No. 5415- NG
Africa Higher Education Centers of Excellence Project
Additional Instructions: Second Revised Disbursement

I refer to the Financing Agreement ("Agreement") between the Federal Republic of Nigeria ("Recipient"); and the International Development Association ("Association") for the above-referenced project, dated February 25, 2015. This revised Disbursement Letter includes a modification to Section IV. Withdrawal Conditions, Withdrawal Period, and Section V. Other Disbursement Instructions to reflect requirements for DLIs/DLRs reconciliation with IFRs and TTL clearance. The Agreement provide that the Association may issue additional instructions regarding the withdrawal of the proceeds of Credit No.5415- NG ("Credit"). This letter ("Disbursement Letter"), as revised from time to time, constitutes the additional instructions.

The attached World Bank Disbursement Guidelines for Projects, dated May 1, 2006, ("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 Credit 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 Credit:

- Advances
- Reimbursement
- Direct Payment
- Special Commitments
(ii) **Disbursement Deadline Date (subsection 3.7).** The Disbursement Deadline Date is 4 months after the Closing Date specified in the Financing Agreement. Any changes to this date will be notified by the Association.

(iii) **Disbursement Conditions (subsection 3.8).** Please refer to the Disbursement Condition(s) in the Financing Agreement.

II. Withdrawal of Financing Proceeds

(i) **Authorized Signatures (subsection 3.1).**
A letter in the Form attached (Attachment 2) should be furnished to the World 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  
Nigeria Country Office  
102, Yakubu Gowon Crescent  
Asokoro, Abuja  
Federal Republic of Nigeria  

Attention: Country Director for Nigeria

(ii) **Applications (subsections 3.2 - 3.3).** Please provide completed and signed applications for withdrawal together with supporting documents, to the address indicated below:

The World Bank, Loan Department  
13th Floor Delta Center  
Menengai Road  
Upper Hill  
P.O. Box 30557-00100  
Nairobi Kenya  
Tel +254 20 2936 000

(iii) **Electronic Delivery (subsection 3.4)** The World Bank may permit the Recipient to electronically deliver to the World Bank Applications (with supporting documents) through the World Bank’s Client Connection, web-based portal. The option to deliver Applications to the World Bank 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 World Bank 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 World Bank agrees, the World Bank 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 World Bank 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 SDIC 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 SIDC") provided in Attachment 2; 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 for Direct Payments and Special Commitments is US$200,000.

(vi) Advances (sections 5 and 6).

- Type of Designated Account (subsection 5.3): Segregated
- Currency of Designated Accounts (subsection 5.4): USD
- Financial Institution at which the Designated Accounts Will Be Opened (subsection 5.5): First City Monument Bank
- Ceiling (subsection 6.1): Based on a forecast of expenditures against each component and disbursement category every three months using IFRs.

III. Reporting on Use of Financing Proceeds

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

- For requests for Reimbursement:
  - List of payments against contracts that are subject to the World Bank’s prior review, in the form attached (Attachment 5)
  - Interim Financial Report in the form attached (Attachment 4) for all other expenditures / contracts; and
  - Supplementary information on performance grants (included in Attachment 4)

* For requests for Direct Payments and Special Commitments: records evidencing eligible expenditures, e.g., copies of receipts, supplier invoices and documentary evidence of delivery and acceptance of contracted goods or service.

(ii) Frequency of Reporting Eligible Expenditures Paid (subsection 6.3): frequency of submission of the bi-annual Interim Financial Report specified in Section II.B. 2 of Schedule 2 to the Financing Agreement.
(iii) Other Supporting Documentation Instructions:

All other supporting documentation for IFRs 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.

Copies of the following documents should be attached to each withdrawal applications:

- ACE results achievement proofs.

IV. Withdrawal Conditions; Withdrawal Period

- Please refer to Section IV, Part B, 1 and 2 of the Financing Agreement for the Withdrawal Conditions and DLIs/DRDs.
- Disbursements under category (1) and (2) will be made upon achievement of the DLIs/DRDs specified in Schedule 4 of the Financing Agreement.
- The verification agency AAU will verify the results and prepare the spending report with a proposal for disbursement.
- Prior to process a Withdrawal Application the TTL needs to communicate to WFALA the respective clearance based on the verification report prepared by the AAU that the ACE results were achieved including the following text: “I certify and provide clearance the DLI/DLRs comply with the conditions for disbursement purposes for Investment Project Financing, was met and the respective reimbursement for underline EEPs reflected in the IFRs for the same period are equal or higher than the amount of the DLIs/DRDs requested.”

V. Other Disbursement Instructions

All withdrawals in form of reimbursements from the Financing shall be deposited by the Association into an account designated by the Recipient and acceptable to the Association.

VI. Other Important Information


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

If you have not already done so, the Association 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 Financing, 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 Association by email at <clientconnection@worldbank.org>.

If you have any queries in relation to the above, please contact WFALA at LOA–AFR@worldbank.org using the above reference.

Yours sincerely,

[Signature]

Luis Schwarz
Senior Finance Officer
WFALA

Attachments:
2. Form for Authorized Signatures
3. Terms and Conditions for the Use of Security Identification Devices - Tokens
4. Form of Interim Unaudited Financial Reports - IFRs
5. Form of Payments Against Contracts Subject to the World Bank's Prior Review

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