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Avian Influenza Control & Human Pandemic Preparedness & Response Project

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REPUBLIC of moldova

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ABBREVIATIONS AND ACRONYMS

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**Restructuring Paper**

1. The closing date for the MOLDOVA, AVIAN INFLUENZA CONTROL & HUMAN PANDEMIC PREPAREDNESS & RESPONSE PROJECT*, Credit 4188-MD/Grant H233-MD, P099841* will be extended from March 31, 2011 until May 15, 2011.
2. The Project’s implementation status is satisfactory. All planned activities with the exception of one are already completed. The Project is soundly on course to achieve its Development Objective. The Project is current on all audit requirements with no outstanding fiduciary issues.
3. The proposed extension is necessary to allow more time for the completion of supply and installation of IT equipment for an epidemiological surveillance system devised under the Project’s Human Health Component. The basic design and operationalization of the system occurred in 2009, but some further adjustments and physical expansion where necessary to enhance its ability to cover not just avian influenza but a broad spectrum of viral infections. Furthermore, a push was made to pilot the system in one district not just at preventive medicine entities, but at all public health institutions. Unfortunately, the failure of one supplier to deliver on time the necessary IT equipment for the physical expansion of the system resulted in a highly-probable risk of incompletion of this important activity before closing. This would result in an unfortunate penalization of the Beneficiary, which has throughout implementation has demonstrated a strong commitment to the Project’s objectives. The Beneficary does not have own resources to finance the procurement of the IT equipment in question. The extension would allow for the supply and installation of goods to be completed with financing from the Project, while enabling the client to successfully achieve the system’s necessary operating expansion.
4. This will be the second extension of the Project. The cumulative duration of the Project’s extensions will be 16.5 months.