Honorable Dr. Maxwell M. Mkwezalamba  
Minister of Finance  
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Dear Honorable Minister:

Republic of Malawi: Advance Agreement for Preparation of a  
Proposed Southern Africa Trade and Transport Facilitation Program (SATTFP) 
Amendment to Project Preparation Advance No. Q8950

We refer to the Agreement dated January 10, 2014, concerning the Advance for the above mentioned Project, between and the Republic of Malawi (“Recipient”) and the International Development Association (“World Bank”).

We also refer to: (i) the Recipient’s letter dated March 18, 2014 requesting a revision of the Activities under the Advance, and (ii) the need to accelerate the implementation of the Activities.

We are pleased to advise you that the World Bank agrees to your request. Therefore:

1. Section 2.01 of the Annex to the Agreement is amended to read as follows:

“2.01. Description of the Activities. The Activities for which the Advance is provided consist of the following parts:

(a) Carrying out a feasibility study, detailed design, and an environmental impact assessment for the Karonga-Songwe road section.

(b) Carrying out a feasibility study, detailed design, and an environmental impact assessment for two further sections of the North-South Corridor, Lilongwe – Kasungu and Bwengu – Chiweta.

(c) Carrying out a feasibility study and outlining the design for improvement of the procedures, processes and infrastructure at the three border crossings at the Recipient’s districts of Songwe, Mwanza and Dedza.

(d) The preparation of a national transport masterplan for the Recipient’s territory.”
2. Article V of the Annex to the Agreement is deleted in its entirety and Articles VI and VII of said Annex are renumbered accordingly. In addition, the last paragraph of the Agreement is amended to read as follows:

"Please confirm the Recipient's agreement to the foregoing by having an authorized official of the Recipient sign and date the enclosed copy of this Agreement, and returning it to the World Bank. Upon receipt by the World Bank of this countersigned copy, this Agreement shall become effective as of the date of the countersignature."

The capitalized terms used in this letter ("Amendment Letter") and not defined herein have the meaning ascribed to them in the Agreement.

Please confirm your agreement with the foregoing amendment by signing and dating this Amendment Letter in the spaces provided below. Henceforward, all other provisions of the Agreement not hereby amended shall remain in full force and effect. This Amendment Letter shall be executed in two counterparts, each of which shall be an original.

The provisions set forth in this Amendment Letter shall become effective as of the date of countersignature upon receipt by the World Bank of the countersigned original of this Amendment Letter.

Very truly yours,
INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION

By: Kundhavi Radiresan
Country Director
Malawi, Zambia and Zimbabwe
Africa Region

AGREED:
REPUBLIC OF MALAWI

By: [Signature]
Authorized Representative

Name: Maxwell M. MwezuZambia
Title: Minister of Finance
Date: 08-05-14