December 14, 2014

Mr. Robert Parnell
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AFGHANISTAN
Afghanistan Reconstruction Trust Fund (TF050576)
USAID’s reference 306-G-00-12-00016-00
Amendment No.9 to Letter Agreement dated March 31, 2012

Dear Robert Parnell:

We refer to the Letter Agreement dated March 31, 2012 between the United States Agency for International Development (the “Donor”) and the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development and the International Development Association (collectively, the “Bank”) (the “Letter Agreement”), pursuant to which the Donor has made available to the Bank as a grant the sum of one billion thirty three million three hundred two thousand six hundred twenty United States Dollars (US$1,033,302,620) (the “USAID Contribution”) for the purpose of contributing to the Afghanistan Reconstruction Trust Fund (“ARTF”, and the “Trust Fund”).

We also refer to the agreement dated June 20, 2002 between the Government of the United States of America through the United States Agency for International Development, and the Bank (your ref. EEE-G-00-02-00025-00), as amended to date, pursuant to which the Donor has made available one billion three hundred seventy one million, nine hundred ninety one thousand one hundred ninety five United States Dollars (US$1,371,991,195) for the purpose of contributing to the ARTF. The aggregate contribution to ARTF from USAID equals two billion four hundred five million two hundred ninety three thousand eight hundred fifteen United States Dollars (US$2,405,293,815).

We acknowledge the intention of the Donor, to increase its contribution to the Trust Fund by an additional twenty five million United States Dollars (US$25,000,000) (the “USAID Additional Contribution”) to the Trust Fund. After the USAID Additional Contribution has been received by the Bank, the aggregate contribution to the ARTF from USAID will be two billion four hundred thirty million two hundred ninety three thousand eight hundred fifteen United States Dollars (US$2,430,293,815).

In accordance with paragraph 7(a) of the Annex to the Letter Agreement, the undesignated contribution will be allocated among Categories (including ad-hoc payments processed through the Recurrent and Capital Expenditures Category), as set out in paragraph 4 of the Annex to the Letter Agreement, in accordance with the decisions of the Management Committee.

Promptly following confirmation of this amendment to the Letter Agreement by you, the Donor, will deposit the USAID Additional Contribution, i.e., twenty five million United States Dollars (US$25,000,000), into bank account designated by the Bank.
All the terms and conditions of the Letter Agreement that have not been amended hereby shall remain unchanged and in full force and effect.

We propose that this amendment to the Letter Agreement shall, upon confirmation in the manner indicated below, constitute an agreement between the Donor and the Bank. This amendment to the Letter Agreement shall become effective upon signature by both parties hereto. It is the Bank’s policy to make publicly available the Letter Agreement and any information related thereto, including this amendment. By confirming below, the Donor consents to disclosure of this amendment letter after it has become effective.

Sincerely yours,

[Signature]

Robert J. Saum
Country Director, Afghanistan
South Asia Region

CONFIRMED AND AGREED
UNITED STATES AGENCY FOR INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT

By: [Signature]
Name: Robert Parnell
Title: Agreement Officer
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