RECOMMENDATION OF STATUTORY COMMITTEE

To: The President, International Development Association

Recommendation of the Committee under Section 1(d) of Article V of the Articles of Agreement on the Proposed Credits (Second Economic Management and Competitiveness Credits Development Policy Operation) to the Socialist Republic of Vietnam.

The undersigned Committee constituted under Section 1(d) of Article V of the Articles of Agreement of the International Development Association (the Association) hereby submits its recommendation pursuant to said Section in respect of the proposal that the Association grant to the Socialist Republic of Vietnam (the Recipient) two credits in the total amount in various currencies equivalent to SDR 161,800,000. The purpose of said credits is to support the Recipient’s program of actions, objectives and policies designed to enhance competitiveness through strengthened financial sector and fiscal management; strengthened public administration through anti-corruption, state-owned enterprises and public investment reforms; and reduced administrative burden through improved tax and procurement policies.

1. The Committee has carefully studied the merits of the proposal to grant such credits, and of the purpose to which the proceeds of the credits are to be applied.

2. The Committee is of the opinion that the program toward the financing of which the proceeds of such credits are to be applied comes within the purposes of the Association as set forth in Article I of said Articles of Agreement, and that the said program is designed to promote the economic development of the Recipient and is of high developmental priority in the light of the needs of the Recipient.
3. Accordingly, the Committee finds that the said program merits financial assistance from the Association, and hereby recommends said program for such assistance.

COMMITTEE

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Dated Washington, D.C.