Re: SPF Grant Agreement for Sustainable Livelihoods for Displaced and Vulnerable Communities in Eastern Sudan Project Phase II – Grant No. TF0A 3003

Excellency:

I am writing on behalf of the International Development Association ("World Bank") to indicate the World Bank’s agreement, as administrator of grant funds provided by various donors ("Donors") under the State-and Peace-Building Fund, proposes to extend to the Recipient ("Recipient") a grant in an amount not to exceed one hundred and fifty thousand United States Dollars (U.S.$ 150,000) ("Grant") on the terms and conditions set forth or referred to in this letter agreement ("Agreement")

The Grant is made in response to the Recipient’s request for financial assistance and for the purposes and on the terms and conditions set forth in the Annex to this Letter Agreement. The Recipient hereby confirms its request that the Bank carry out the activities described in paragraph 1 of the Annex to this Letter Agreement, and represents that it is authorized to contract the Grant for the said purposes and on the said terms and conditions.

Please note that it is the Bank’s policy to make publicly available this Letter Agreement and any information related thereto, after this Letter Agreement has become effective and the Recipient has given its consent to such disclosure. The Recipient, by countersigning this Letter Agreement, confirms its consent to such disclosure.
Please confirm your agreement with the foregoing, on behalf of the Recipient, by signing,
dating, and returning to us the enclosed copy of this Letter Agreement. Upon receipt by the Bank
of the copy of this Letter Agreement countersigned by you, this Letter Agreement will become
effective as of the date of the countersignature.

Very truly yours,
INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION

By
Authorized Representative

AGREED:
REPUBLIC OF THE SUDAN

By: 
Authorized Representative

Name: Badr Eldin H. Abbas
Title: Minister of Finance
Date: 29/11/2016
Purposes, Terms and Conditions of the Grant

1. The purpose of the Grant is to strengthen the capacity of local stakeholders, including state authorities, displaced persons and vulnerable host communities, to plan and implement natural resource management practices and improve livelihood techniques. The activities (the Activities) for which the Grant is given are as follows:

   (a) **Research Studies**: Carrying out research studies, assessments and analyses to technically support the Project activities in target communities, including:
       (i) examination of social, cultural, and economic conditions in communities;
       (ii) exploring opportunities for sustainable natural resource management interventions; (iii) dissemination of the results of these studies, in coordination with the PCU, through various fora; and (iv) production of records to track study outputs.

   (b) **Technical Assistance**: (i) Providing technical support and guidance in the Project design that may be increased at key intervals; and (ii) providing training to local stakeholders in sustainable environmental management techniques, if needed.

2. The Grant shall be used to finance consultants’ services, training and workshop required for the Activities.

3. The World Bank shall carry out the Activities on behalf of the Recipient. The Recipient shall cooperate with the World Bank to the extent necessary to permit the World Bank to carry out the Activities promptly and effectively, and to evaluate the results of the Activities. The Recipient shall indemnify the World Bank against any costs or liabilities incurred by the World Bank as a result of claims against the World Bank in connection with the Activities, except those resulting from the gross negligence or willful misconduct of its staff or external consultants.

4. The World Bank shall carry out the Activities pursuant to this Letter Agreement only to the extent that the Grant funds required for such Activities are available to the World Bank from the Donors.

5. The Activities shall be completed by not later than July 30, 2019, or such later date as the Bank may establish by notice to the Recipient (the Closing Date). After the Closing Date, the World Bank may at any time cancel the remaining balance of the Grant.

6. The engagement and supervision of the consultants (the Consultants) required to assist in the carrying out of the Activities shall be the responsibility solely of the World Bank and shall be done according to the World Bank’s applicable procedures.

7. The Recipient may at any time request the World Bank in writing to terminate the Activities. Whether or not the Recipient has made such a request, the World Bank may at any time suspend or, after consultation with the Recipient, terminate the right of the Recipient to receive Grant funds for the Activities if any of the following events has occurred and is continuing: (a) the Recipient has failed to perform any of its obligations under this Letter Agreement; or (b) the right of the Recipient, or any other entity to which the World Bank has made a loan with the guarantee of the Republic of Sudan, to make withdrawals under any loan agreement with the World Bank or any development credit, grant or financing agreement with the International Development Association has been suspended.

8. The World Bank is not an agent of, or trustee for, the Recipient and shall not have any fiduciary relationship with the Recipient. The Recipient shall have no right to any portion of the Grant that is not expended by the World Bank pursuant to this Letter Agreement.