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RESTRUCTURING PAPER  
ON A  
PROPOSED PROJECT RESTRUCTURING  
OF  
DATA FOR DECISION MAKING  
APPROVED ON MARCH 31, 2017  
TO

MINISTRY OF ECONOMY, PLANNING, AND COOPERATION

POVERTY AND EQUITY

AFRICA

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## I. BASIC DATA

### Product Information

Project ID P160717	Financing Instrument Investment Project Financing
Original EA Category Not Required (C)	Current EA Category Not Required (C)
Approval Date 31-Mar-2017	Current Closing Date 31-May-2022

### Organizations

Borrower Ministry of Economy, Planning, and Cooperation	Responsible Agency ICASEES
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### Project Development Objective (PDO)

Original PDO

To increase the capacity of the national statistical institute (ICASEES) to produce and publicly disseminate statistics through data recovery, institutional development and support to data production.

### Summary Status of Financing

Ln/Cr/Tf	Approval	Signing	Effectiveness	Closing	Net Commitment	Disbursed	Undisbursed
IDA-D1710	31-Mar-2017	24-May-2017	31-Oct-2017	31-May-2022	10.00	2.47	7.68
TF-A5107	31-Mar-2017	24-May-2017	31-Oct-2017	15-Apr-2020	.49	.30	.20

### Policy Waiver(s)

Does this restructuring trigger the need for any policy waiver(s)?

No

## I. SUMMARY OF PROJECT STATUS AND PROPOSED CHANGES



1. Data for Decision Making project was approved on March 31, 2017 and became effective on October 31, 2017. The project comprises two components: (1) statistical recovery, project management and professionalization and modernization of ICASEES, and (2) data production, capacity building and dissemination. The project has a total cost of US\$10.49 million equivalent provided through an IDA grant (US\$ 10 million equivalent) and TFSCB trust fund (US\$494,000). The project is implemented by the Central African Institute of Statistics and Economic and Social Studies (Institut Centrafricain des Statistiques, des Etudes Economiques et Sociales, ICASEES).
2. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, ICASEES has requested an extension of the TFSCB Grant TFOA5107 closing date by six months from April 15, 2020 to October 15, 2020. The TFSCB Grant finances Component 1.4 of the project which mainly supports the revision of the consumer price index and online data archiving and dissemination. ICASEES requested this extension in a letter dated March 19, 2020. COVID-19 has disrupted the implementation of activities financed by the TFSCB in the following ways: (i) border closures have delayed the delivery of IT equipment; and (ii) international travel restrictions have resulted in the cancellation of technical assistance missions.
3. There are no overdue audits for the project.

#### PROPOSED CHANGES

4. Extension of closing date of the Trust Fund TFOA5107: The closing date for the Grant Agreement for the Trust Fund (TFSCB) TFOA5107 was originally April 15, 2019 and revised last year to April 15, 2020 as requested by the Recipient. The current proposed change is to extend the closing date to October 15, 2020. The manager of the TFSCB has provided their clearance for this extension and confirmed that it is compliant with the Administrative Agreement for the TFSCB.
5. Given the restrictions posed by COVID-19 containment measures, the Bank team confirmed with the international consultants supporting the TFSCB funded activities that the remaining work could be achieved through long-distance support. As they have built enough of a technical foundation and working rapport with ICASEES, technical assistance through telephone calls, virtual meetings, and detailed written guidance documents should be adequate to complete the analytical and computer-based work.
6. Also some TFSCB funds (\$60,000, mainly from savings from cancelled missions and workshops) will be reprogrammed to support ICASEES in the monitoring of COVID-19 impacts, specifically the weekly price monitoring bulletin and periodic household phone surveys. The manager of the TFSCB has provided their clearance on this as well.

## II. DETAILED CHANGES

### LOAN CLOSING DATE(S)

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<b>Ln/Cr/Tf</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Original Closing</b>	<b>Revised Closing(s)</b>	<b>Proposed Closing</b>	<b>Proposed Deadline for Withdrawal Applications</b>
IDA-D1710	Effective	31-May-2022			
TF-A5107	Effective	15-Apr-2019	15-Apr-2020	15-Oct-2020	15-Feb-2021