December 26, 2013

His Excellency Mr. Kerfalla Yansané
Minister of Economy and Finance
Ministry of Economy and Finance
Conakry
Republic of Guinea

Guinea: Education for All – Fast Track Initiative Catalytic Trust Fund
Education for All Project
(Grant No. TF092364)

Amendment to the Grant Agreement

We refer to the letter grant agreement (the “Agreement”) for the above-referenced project, between the International Development Association (“World Bank”), acting as administrator of the Education for All – Fast Track Initiative Catalytic Trust Fund (“EFA-FTI CTF”) and the Republic of Guinea (the “Recipient”), dated July 30, 2008, as amended.

Pursuant to your letter dated July 15, 2013, requesting the World Bank to extend the closing date of the Grant, as well as to your letter dated November 12, 2013 requesting a reallocation of funds, I am pleased to inform you that the Bank concurs to your request; therefore:

1. The table in Section 3.01 of the Annex to the Grant Agreement is amended to read as follows:

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<th>Category</th>
<th>Amount of the Grant Allocated (Expressed in USD)</th>
<th>Percentage of Expenditures to be Financed (Inclusive of Taxes)</th>
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| (1) Goods, works, non-consulting services, consultants’ services, Training and Operating Costs and under the Project (other than under Part B(iv)) | (a) During initial implementation: 22 000,000  
(b) During final Implementation: 17 230,000 | 55% until the amount of $22,000,000 (set out in paragraph (a) in the opposite column) has been fully disbursed; and thereafter, 45% for the remaining amount of $17,230,000 (set out in paragraph (b) in the opposite column) |
| (2) Block Grants for goods, works, non-consulting services, | (a) During initial |
consultants' services and Training implementation:

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<th>consultants' services and Training under Part B(iv) of the Project</th>
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<td>(b) During final Implementation:</td>
<td>770,000</td>
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2. Section 3.03 (Withdrawal Period) of the Annex to the Agreement is amended to read as follows:

“3.03. Withdrawal Period. The Closing Date referred to in Section 3.06 (c) of the Standard Conditions is December 31, 2014”

3. In addition, Section 2.01 (Project Description) of the Annex to the Agreement is hereby deleted and replaced by Annex 1 to this letter.

All other provisions of the Agreement, except as amended herein, shall remain in full force and effect.

Please indicate your acknowledgement of, and agreement with, the foregoing amendments to the Agreement on behalf of the Recipient by countersigning and dating the two original copies of this letter and returning one countersigned original to us. The amendments to the Agreement shall become effective as of the date of countersignature of this letter.

Sincerely,

Ousmane Diagana
Country Director for Guinea
Africa Region

ACKNOWLEDGED AND AGREED:

REPUBLIC OF GUINEA

By:

Name: KERFALLA YANSANE
Title: Ministre d'État chargé de l'Économie et des Finances
Date: 16 Janvier 2014
"2.01 Project Description. The objective of the Project, which is part of the Program, is to enhance equitable access to and quality of basic education, while also strengthening decentralized management of the education system in the Recipient’s territory. The Project consists of the following parts:

Part A: Improving Equitable Access to basic education

(i) Improving primary educational infrastructure by constructing or rehabilitating and furnishing primary classrooms in targeted areas.

(ii) Expanding educational access of primary-level students with special needs by providing additional training for teachers and provision of special education materials.

(iii) (a) Developing strategies and establishing partnerships with the private sector as well as identifying sectors of growth through the provision of technical assistance (including the carrying out of surveys and studies) and (b) constructing, rehabilitating and furnishing professional integration centers at selected sites.

(iv) Promoting school demand through (a) providing private courses to girls to keep them in school; (b) provision of school kits to children in the targeted poorest prefectures; (c) carrying-out social mobilization in selected sub-prefectures through sensitization campaigns; and (d) provision of teaching aids to, and training of, targeted teachers in multigrade classrooms.

Part B: Improving Quality of Basic Education

(i) Provision of textbooks for public primary and secondary schools.

(ii) Strengthening teacher training curriculum through technical assistance.

(iii) Supporting in-service training for primary and lower secondary teachers and primary school and lower secondary directors

(iv) Provision of Block Grants to primary schools and DSEE in support of their school improvement projects.

(v) Conducting nation-wide student learning assessments.

(vi) Supporting reform in higher education and carrying-out studies on higher education.

(vii) Supporting the piloting of early literacy assessment, including a study tour, training of teachers in the use of assessment instruments, production of teaching materials, interactive radio programs and monitoring-evaluation by the DSEE.
Part C: Strengthening Management of the Education Sector

(i) Strengthening the CN-PSE’s capacity at the central and deconcentrated levels to monitor civil works through technical advisory services, equipment and training.

(ii) Strengthening the MEPU-EC’s planning and monitoring capacity at the central, regional and prefectural levels;

(iii) Strengthening the MEPU-EC’s human resources management through the provision of computer software and technical assistance for the improvement of human resource procedures.

(iv) Strengthening the overall management and coordination capacity of the MEPU-EC by providing, *inter alia*, training, equipment and internet."