Guarantee Agreement

(Power Transmission and Distribution Project)

between

REPUBLIC OF CYPRUS

and

INTERNATIONAL BANK FOR RECONSTRUCTION
AND DEVELOPMENT

Dated June 25, 1980
GUARANTEE AGREEMENT

AGREEMENT, dated June 25, 1980, between REPUBLIC OF CYPRUS (hereinafter called the Guarantor) and INTERNATIONAL BANK FOR RECONSTRUCTION AND DEVELOPMENT (hereinafter called the Bank).

WHEREAS by the Loan Agreement of even date herewith between the Bank and Electricity Authority of Cyprus (hereinafter called the Borrower) the Bank has agreed to make to the Borrower a loan in various currencies equivalent to sixteen million dollars ($16,000,000), on the terms and conditions set forth in the Loan Agreement, but only on condition that the Guarantor agree to guarantee the obligations of the Borrower in respect of such loan as hereinafter provided; and

WHEREAS the Guarantor, in consideration of the Bank's entering into the Loan Agreement with the Borrower, has agreed so to guarantee such obligations of the Borrower;

NOW THEREFORE the parties hereto hereby agree as follows:

ARTICLE I

General Conditions; Definitions

Section 1.01. The parties to this Agreement accept all the provisions of the General Conditions Applicable to Loan and Guarantee Agreements of the Bank dated March 15, 1974, with the same force and effect as if they were fully set forth herein (said General Conditions Applicable to Loan and Guarantee Agreements being hereinafter called the General Conditions).

Section 1.02. Wherever used in this Agreement, unless the context otherwise requires, the several terms defined in the General Conditions and in the preamble to the Loan Agreement have the respective meanings therein set forth.

ARTICLE II

Guarantee; Provision of Funds

Section 2.01. Without limitation or restriction upon any of its other obligations under the Guarantee Agreement, the Guarantor hereby unconditionally guarantees, as primary obligor and not as
surety merely, the due and punctual payment of the principal of, and interest and other charges on, the Loan, and the premium, if any, on the prepayment of the Loan and the punctual performance of all the other obligations of the Borrower, all as set forth in the Loan Agreement.

Section 2.02. Without limitation or restriction upon the provisions of Section 2.01 of this Agreement, the Guarantor specifically undertakes, whenever there is reasonable cause to believe that the funds available to the Borrower will be inadequate to meet the estimated expenditures required for the carrying out of the Borrower's Program, to make arrangements, satisfactory to the Bank, promptly to provide the Borrower or cause the Borrower to be provided with such funds as are needed to meet such expenditures.

ARTICLE III

Other Covenants

Section 3.01. (a) It is the policy of the Bank, in making loans to, or with the guarantee of, its members not to seek, in normal circumstances, specific security from the member concerned but to ensure that no other external debt shall have priority over its loans in the allocation, realization or distribution of foreign exchange held under the control or for the benefit of such member. To that end, if any lien shall be created on any public assets (as hereinafter defined), as security for any external debt, which will or might result in a priority for the benefit of the creditor of such external debt in the allocation, realization or distribution of foreign exchange, such lien shall, unless the Bank shall otherwise agree, ipso facto, and at no cost to the Bank, equally and ratably secure the principal of, and interest and other charges on, the Loan, and the Guarantor, in creating or permitting the creation of such lien, shall make express provision to that effect; provided, however, that, if for any constitutional or other legal reason such provision cannot be made with respect to any lien created on assets of any of its political or administrative subdivisions, the Guarantor shall promptly and at no cost to the Bank secure the principal of, and interest and other charges on, the Loan by an equivalent lien on other public assets satisfactory to the Bank.
(b) The foregoing undertaking shall not apply to: (i) any lien created on property, at the time of purchase thereof, solely as security for payment of the purchase price of such property; and (ii) any lien arising in the ordinary course of banking transactions and securing a debt maturing not more than one year after its date.

(c) As used in this Section, the term "public assets" means assets of the Guarantor, of any political or administrative subdivision thereof and of any entity owned or controlled by, or operating for the account or benefit of, the Guarantor or any such subdivision, including gold and foreign exchange assets held by any institution performing the functions of a central bank or exchange stabilization fund, or similar functions, for the Guarantor.

Section 3.02. Without limitation on any of its obligations under this Agreement, the Guarantor undertakes: (a) to take, by September 30, 1980, and February 28, 1981, all actions required on its part, including the approval of appropriate tariff increases, to enable the Borrower to achieve the rate of return specified under Section 5.05 of the Loan Agreement for the fiscal years 1980 and 1981, respectively, and (b) to take thereafter in a timely manner all such action required to enable the Borrower to achieve the rate of return specified in said Section for the following fiscal years.

ARTICLE IV

Representative of the Guarantor; Addresses

Section 4.01. The Minister of Finance of the Guarantor is designated as representative of the Guarantor for the purposes of Section 11.03 of the General Conditions.

Section 4.02. The following addresses are specified for the purposes of Section 11.01 of the General Conditions:

For the Guarantor:

Ministry of Finance
Nicosia
Cyprus
Cable address:

MINFINANCE
Nicosia

For the Bank:

International Bank for
Reconstruction and Development
1818 H Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20433
United States of America

Cable address:

INTBAFRAD
Washington, D.C.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto, acting through their representatives thereunto duly authorized, have caused this Agreement to be signed in their respective names in the District of Columbia, United States of America, as of the day and year first above written.

REPUBLIC OF CYPRUS

By /s/ Andreas Jacouides
Authorized Representative

INTERNATIONAL BANK FOR
RECONSTRUCTION AND DEVELOPMENT

By /s/ A. David Knorr
Acting Regional Vice President
Europe, Middle East and North Africa
INTERNATIONAL BANK FOR RECONSTRUCTION AND DEVELOPMENT

CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of the original in the archives of the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development.

In witness whereof I have signed this Certificate and affixed the Seal of the Bank thereunto this 35th day of June, 1982.

S. W. Ch.
FOR SECRETARY