RECOMMENDATION OF THE STATUTORY COMMITTEE

TO: The President, International Development Association

Recommendation of the nominee selected by the Republic of Benin as a member of the Committee under Section 1 (d) of Article V of the Articles of Agreement on the proposed Second Additional Credit (Emergency Urban Environment Project) to the Republic of Benin

The undersigned member of the Committee constituted under Section 1 (d) of Article V of the Articles of Agreement of International Development Association (the Association) hereby submits this recommendation pursuant to said Section in respect of the proposal that the Association grant to the Republic of Benin an additional credit in an amount equivalent to SDR29,000,000. The purpose of said additional credit is to provide additional funds to supplement the financial assistance furnished by the Association under the Financing Agreements (Urban Environment Project and Additional Financing for the Urban Environment Project), dated June 7, 2011 and June 5, 2014, between the Republic of Benin and the Association whose objectives are to (i) improve infrastructure and mitigate the negative environmental impact of floods in the Cotonou Agglomeration, and (ii) increase the Recipient’s level of preparedness for future flooding.

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

2. The member of the Committee is of the opinion that the project in support of which the proceeds of such additional credit are to be applied continues to come within the purposes of the Association as set forth in Article I of said Articles of Agreement, and that said project is designed to promote the economic development of the Republic of Benin and is of high developmental priority in the light of the needs of the Republic of Benin.

3. Accordingly, the member of the Committee finds that said project continues to merit financial assistance from the Association, and hereby recommends said project for such additional assistance.

Nominee selected by Governor for the Republic of Benin

Dated at Washington, D.C.

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