His Excellency Mr. Amadou Boubacar Cissé
Minister of State in charge of Planning,
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Excellency:

REPUBLIC OF NIGER: Credit No. 5132-NE
(Competitiveness and Growth Support Project)
Amendment to the Financing Agreement

We refer to the Financing Agreement (the Agreement), dated July 5, 2012, for the above-mentioned Project, between the Republic of Niger (the Recipient) and the International Development Association (the Association). We also refer to the letter from the Minister of Trade and Promotion of the Private Sector no. 427, dated June 7, 2012, informing the Association of the creation of the Project Implementing Entity under the name Maison de l'Entreprise instead of Agence de Promotion des Entreprises et des Investissements as initially planned and reflected in the Agreement. Capitalized terms used in this amendment letter and not otherwise defined herein have the meaning ascribed to them in the Agreement.

In order to avoid any confusion, the Association proposes to amend the Agreement as follows:

1. Paragraph 28 of Section I (Definitions) of the Appendix to the Agreement is amended to ready as follows:

   “28. “Project Implementing Entity” means the Recipient’s agency for enterprises promotion to be established by the Recipient in accordance with Section I.A.4 of Schedule 2 to this Agreement.”

All other provisions of the Agreement except as amended herein, shall remain in full force and effect.
This amendment shall become effective as of the date of its countersignature by the Recipient. Please confirm your agreement to the amendment by countersigning, dating and returning to us the enclosed copy of this letter, while keeping one original for your records.

Sincerely,

Nestor Coffi
Country Manager for Niger
Africa Region

AGREED:

REPUBLIC OF NIGER

By:

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Date: February 16, 2013