December 29, 2015

Mr. Gregory S Wang
Agreement Officer
USAID/Afghanistan
U.S. Embassy
Great Massoud Circle
Kabul, Afghanistan

Dear Mr. Wang:

AFGHANISTAN
Afghanistan Reconstruction Trust Fund (TF050576)
USAID’s reference 306-G-00-12-00016-00
Amendment No.16 to Letter Agreement dated March 31, 2012

We refer to the Letter Agreement dated March 31, 2012 between the United States Agency for International Development (the “Donor”) and the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development and the International Development Association (collectively, the “Bank”) (the “Letter Agreement”) pursuant to which the Donor has made available to the Bank as a grant the sum of one billion three hundred eighty nine million five hundred five thousand five hundred thirty United States Dollars (US$1,389,505,530) (the “USAID Contribution”) for the purpose of contributing to the Afghanistan Reconstruction Trust Fund (“ARTF”, and the “Trust Fund”).

We also refer to the agreement dated June 20, 2002 between the Government of the United States of America through the United States Agency for International Development, and the Bank (your ref. EEE-G-00-02-00025-00), as amended to date, pursuant to which the Donor has made available one billion three hundred seventy one million nine hundred ninety one thousand one hundred ninety five United States Dollars (US$1,371,991,195) for the purpose of contributing to the ARTF. The aggregate contribution to ARTF from USAID equals two billion seven hundred sixty one million four hundred ninety six thousand seven hundred twenty five United States Dollars (US$2,761,496,725).

We acknowledge the intention of the Donor, to increase its contribution to the Trust Fund by an additional eighty million United States Dollars (US$80,000,000) (the “USAID Additional Contribution”) to the Trust Fund. After the USAID Additional Contribution has been received by the Bank, the aggregate contribution to the ARTF from USAID will be two billion eight hundred forty one million four hundred ninety six thousand seven hundred twenty five United States Dollars (US$2,841,496,725).

In accordance with paragraph 7(a) of the Annex to the Letter Agreement, the undesignated contribution will be allocated among Categories (including ad-hoc payments processed through the Recurrent and Capital Expenditures Category), as set out in paragraph 4 of the Annex to the Letter Agreement, in accordance with the decisions of the Management Committee.

Promptly following confirmation of this amendment to the Letter Agreement by you, the Donor, will deposit the USAID Additional Contribution, i.e., eighty million United States Dollars (US$80,000,000), into bank account designated by the Bank.
All the terms and conditions of the Letter Agreement that have not been amended hereby shall remain unchanged and in full force and effect.

Each of the undersigned represents, by confirming its agreement below, that it is authorized to enter into this Amendment and act in accordance with these terms and conditions. The Bank and the Donor are each requested to sign and date this Amendment, and upon possession by the Bank of this fully signed Amendment, this Amendment will become effective as of the date of the last signature. The Bank shall disclose this Amendment in accordance with the Bank’s Policy on Access to Information. By entering into this Amendment, the Donor consents to such disclosure.

Sincerely yours,

Ghulam Dastagir Sayed
Acting Country Director for Afghanistan
South Asia Region

CONFIRMED AND AGREED
UNITED STATES AGENCY FOR INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT

By: 
Name: Gregory S Wang
Title: Agreement Officer
USAID/Afghanistan
Date: 16th April, 2020