His Excellency
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Tegucigalpa, M.D.C. – Honduras

Re: HONDURAS: Additional Financing for the Social Protection Project
IDA Financing 5603–HN: Additional Instructions: AMENDED Disbursement Letter

I refer to the Financing Agreement ("Agreement") between the Republic of Honduras (the "Recipient") and the International Development Association (the "Association") for the above-referenced project, dated May 19, 2015. The Agreement provides that the Association may issue additional instructions regarding the withdrawal of the proceeds of IDA Credit 5603–HN ("Financing"). This letter ("Disbursement Letter"), as revised from time to time, constitutes the additional instructions.

This letter is the First Restatement of the Disbursement Letter dated May 19, 2015 for the above referenced project, restating Section III, paragraph (i) to eliminate the SOE limits. All other provisions and attachments of the Disbursement Letter dated May 19, 2015, except as amended, shall remain in force and effect.

The *World Bank Disbursement Guidelines for Projects*, dated May 1, 2006, ("Disbursement Guidelines") are an integral part of the Disbursement Letter. The manner in which the provisions in the Disbursement Guidelines apply to the Financing is specified below. Sections and subsections in parentheses below refer to the relevant sections and subsections in the Disbursement Guidelines and, unless otherwise defined in this letter, the capitalized terms used have the meanings ascribed to them in the Disbursement Guidelines.

1. **Disbursement Arrangements**

   (i) **Disbursement Methods (section 2).** The following Disbursement Methods may be used under the Financing:

   - Reimbursement
   - Advance
   - Direct Payment

   (ii) **Disbursement Deadline Date (subsection 3.7).** The Disbursement Deadline Date is 4 months after the Closing Date specified in the Financing Agreement. Any changes to this date will be notified by the Association.

   (iii) **Disbursement Conditions (subsection 3.8).** Please refer to the Disbursement Condition(s) in the Financing Agreement.
II. Withdrawal of Financing Proceeds

(i) Authorized Signatures (subsection 3.1). An Authorized Signatory Letter should be furnished to the Association at the address indicated below providing the name(s) and specimen signature(s) of the official(s) authorized to sign Applications:

The World Bank  
1818 H Street, N.W.  
Washington, DC 20433  
Attention: J. Humberto Lopez, Country Director

(ii) Applications (subsections 3.2- 3.3). Please provide completed Applications for withdrawal, together with supporting documents, through the Association’s Client Connection, web-based portal, following the instructions for electronic delivery. In the case the recipient does not have internet access, the Association may permit the delivery of Applications for withdrawal, together with supporting documents to the address indicated below:

Banco Mundial  
SCN Quadra 02, Lote A  
Ed. Corporate Financial Center, 7º andar  
70712-900, Brasilia, D.F. - Brazil  
Attention: Loan Operations

(iii) Electronic Delivery (subsection 3.4) The Association may permit the Recipient to electronically deliver to the Association Applications (with supporting documents) through the Association’s Client Connection, web-based portal. The option to deliver Applications to the Association by electronic means may be effected if: (a) the Recipient has designated in writing, pursuant to the terms of subparagraph (i) of this Section, its officials who are authorized to sign and deliver Applications and to receive secure identification credentials (“SIDC”) from the Association for the purpose of delivering such Applications by electronic means; and (b) all such officials designated by the Recipient have registered as users of Client Connection. If the Association agrees, the Association will provide the Recipient with SIDC for the designated officials. Following which, the designated officials may deliver Applications electronically by completing Form 2380, which is accessible through Client Connection (https://clientconnection.worldbank.org). The Recipient may continue to exercise the option of preparing and delivering Applications in paper form. The Association reserves the right and may, in its sole discretion, temporarily or permanently disallow the electronic delivery of Applications by the Recipient.

(iv) Terms and Conditions of Use of SIDC to Process Applications. By designating officials to use SIDC and by choosing to deliver the Applications electronically, the Recipient confirms through the authorized signatory letter its agreement to: (a) abide by the Terms and Conditions of Use of Secure Identification Credentials in connection with Use of Electronic Means to Process Applications and Supporting Documentation (“Terms and Conditions of Use of Secure Identification Credentials”); and (b) to cause such official to abide by those terms and conditions.

(v) Minimum Value of Applications (subsection 3.5). The Minimum Value of Applications is US$500,000.
(vi) **Advances (sections 5 and 6) to SEDIS for Category 1.**

- **Type of Designated Account (subsection 5.3):** Segregated.
- **Currency of Designated Account (subsection 5.4):** US Dollars.
- **Financial Institution at which the Designated Account Will Be Opened (subsection 5.5):** Banco Central de Honduras.
- **Ceiling (subsection 6.1):** Based on forecast submitted with each customized SOE.

(vii) **Advances (sections 5 and 6) to SEDIS for Categories 2, 3 and 4.**

- **Type of Designated Account (subsection 5.3):** Segregated.
- **Currency of Designated Account (subsection 5.4):** US Dollars.
- **Financial Institution at which the Designated Account Will Be Opened (subsection 5.5):** Banco Central de Honduras.
- **Ceiling (subsection 6.1):** US$1,000,000.

**III. Reporting on Use of Financing Proceeds**

(i) **Supporting Documentation (section 4).** Supporting documentation should be provided with each Application for withdrawal as set out below:

- **For requests for Reimbursement:**
  - Statement of Expenditures (Attachment 5 of the DL dated May 19, 2015) for all payments;
  - Information about contracts subject to the Bank’s prior review as indicated in column 4 of the Statement of Expenditures; and
  - Customized Statements of Expenditures for Category 1.

- **For reporting eligible expenditures paid from the Designated Account (Categories 2, 3 & 4):**
  - Statement of Expenditures (Attachment 5 of the DL dated May 19, 2015) for all payments;
  - Information about contracts subject to the Bank’s prior review as indicated in column 4 of the Statement of Expenditures; and
  - Designated Account Activity Statement with a copy of the Designated Account Bank Statement.

- **For reporting eligible expenditures paid from the Designated Account (Category 1):**
  - Customized Statements of Expenditures for Category 1 with the documentation detailed in Section IV of this letter.
• **For requests for Direct Payment:** Records evidencing eligible expenditures, e.g., copies of receipts, supplier invoices.

(ii) **Frequency of Reporting Eligible Expenditures Paid from the Designated Accounts (subsection 6.3):** Quarterly.

### IV. Additional Disbursement Instructions

(i) **Conditional Cash Transfers (Category 1, Component 2)**

Category 1 will finance conditional cash transfers provided to eligible beneficiaries on a grant basis. Credit proceeds under Category 1 will be disbursed to a Designated Account used exclusively for this category as follows:

- **First Disbursement:** Advance Request of US$6,000,000 sufficient to cover the first conditional cash transfer payment.

- **Subsequent Disbursements:** (i) customized Statement of Expenditure, (ii) results of the Compliance Review required under Section V, of Schedule 2 of the Financing Agreement, (iii) a forecast of the amount needed to make the next conditional cash transfer, and (iv) the DA activity statement with a copy of the corresponding bank statement.

In the case that the Compliance Review identifies instances of ineligible expenditures paid, the SEDIS will be responsible for identifying those ineligible expenditures submitted in the customized SOE. These amounts will then appear in the DA activity statement as amounts questioned with the detailed amount and Justification of Expenditures number where the Compliance Review report identifies the ineligible expenditures. If the activity statement of the DA includes ineligibles expenditures from more than one Compliance Review report, those amounts should be segregated by Withdrawal Application number. The SEDIS will be responsible for resolving the ineligible expenditures by either: (i) demonstrating the eligibility of the questioned amounts; (ii) presenting other cash transfers made with counterpart funds in lieu of ineligible expenditures; or (iii) refunding the amount to the DA. Any questioned amounts appearing in the DA Activity statement will need to be resolved no later than the second Withdrawal Application submitted after the questioned amounts were first reported. In the case of ineligible expenditures reported in the last and second to last Withdrawal Applications, the amounts will need to be resolved no later than by the closing date of the project.

In that case, the amounts transferred from the DA to the pay agent are not fully disbursed (i.e. beneficiary doesn't collect payment) then the amounts remaining unpaid will be refunded back to the DA by the pay agent prior to receiving the next transfer. Note that these refunds should be documented in the DA activity statement submitted with each withdrawal Application.

(ii) **Contingency Emergency Response Component (Component 3):** This component would finance eligible expenditures required for Honduras' emergency recovery. The list of eligible expenditures and the funds flow arrangements will be defined in the Operational Manual once a disaster is declared in accordance with the conditions established in the financing agreement.

A specific Operational Manual will apply to this component detailing specific financial management, procurement, safeguard procedures and any other arrangements to ensure that funds
are disbursed in a rapid and efficient manner following an eligible emergency. Other eligible expenditures to be defined in the Operational Manual: (a) for specific works may include urgent infrastructure works (repairs, rehabilitation, construction, etc.) to mitigate the risks associated with the disaster for affected populations; (b) for goods may include construction materials and equipment, agricultural inputs (excluding pesticides), and telecommunication equipment among others; (c) for services may include studies (technical, social, environmental, etc.) necessary as a result of the effects of the disaster for identification of priority works, feasibility assessments, or delivery of related analyses; and (d) for emergency operation costs may include incremental expenses such as additional transport costs, increased electricity bills for the public sector, staff overtime, and rental of light and heavy machinery.

V. Other Important Information


If you have not already done so, the Association recommends that you register as a user of the Client Connection website (https://clientconnection.worldbank.org). From this website you will be able to prepare and deliver Applications, monitor the near real-time status of the Financing, and retrieve related policy, financial, and procurement information. All Recipient officials authorized to sign and deliver Applications by electronic means are required to register with Client Connection before electronic delivery can be effected. For more information about the website and registration arrangements, please contact the Association by email at <clientconnection@worldbank.org>.

If you have any queries in relation to the above, please contact Maria Virginia Hormazabal, Finance Officer, at mhormazabal@worldbank.org placing the Financing number and name in the subject line.

Sincerely,

Maria Virginia Hormazabal
Finance Officer
World Bank Loan Operations