Mr. Eroni Vatuloka  
Executive Director  
Pacific Association of Supreme Audit Institutions (PASAI)  
1st Floor, 46 Parnell Road  
Auckland 1052, New Zealand

Re: IDF Grant for the Pacific Regional Audit Initiative Project  
IDF Grant No. TF096253

Dear Sir:

In response to the request for financial assistance made on behalf of Pacific Association of Supreme Audit Institutions (the “Recipient”), I am pleased to inform you that the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (the “World Bank”) proposes to extend to the Recipient, for the benefit of the PASAI Member Countries, namely, the Federated States of Micronesia, Fiji, Kiribati, Marshall Islands, Palau, Papua New Guinea, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Tonga and Vanuatu, a grant from the World Bank’s Institutional Development Fund (“IDF”) in an amount not to exceed five hundred forty nine thousand seven hundred United States Dollars (U.S.$549,700) (the “Grant”) on the terms and conditions set forth or referred to in this letter agreement (the “Agreement”), which includes the attached Annex, to assist in the financing of the project described in the Annex (the “Project”).

The Recipient represents, by confirming its agreement below, that it is authorized to enter into this Agreement and to carry out the Project in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth or referred to in this Agreement.

Please confirm the Recipient’s agreement to the foregoing by having an authorized official of the Recipient sign and date the enclosed copy of this Agreement, and returning it to the World Bank. Upon receipt by the World Bank of this countersigned copy, this Agreement shall become effective as of the date of the countersignature; provided, however, that the offer of this Agreement shall be deemed withdrawn if the World Bank has not received the countersigned copy of this Agreement within ninety (90) days after the date of signature of this Agreement by the World Bank, unless the World Bank shall have established a later date for such purpose.

Very truly yours,

INTERNATIONAL BANK FOR RECONSTRUCTION AND DEVELOPMENT

By/s/ Robert Jauncey  
Acting Country Director  
Timor-Leste, Papua New Guinea  
&Pacific Islands Operations  
East Asia and Pacific Region
AGREED:
PACIFIC ASSOCIATION OF SUPREME AUDIT INSTITUTIONS (PASAI)

By/s ________________________

Name   L.D. Provost
Title   Secretary General, PASAI
Date:   July 5, 2010

Enclosures:


Article I

Standard Conditions; Definitions

1.01. **Standard Conditions.** The Standard Conditions for Grants Made by the World Bank out of Various Funds dated July 1, 2008 (“Standard Conditions”), with the modifications set forth in Section I of the Appendix to this Agreement, constitute an integral part of this Agreement.

1.02. **Definitions.** Unless the context requires otherwise, the capitalized terms used in this Agreement have the meanings ascribed to them in the Standard Conditions or in this Agreement.

Article II

Project Execution

2.01. **Project Objectives and Description.** The objective of the Project is to raise public auditing practices to uniformly-higher standards, which in turn is expected to improve transparency and accountability in managing and using public resources in the beneficiary PASAI Member Countries. The Project consists of the following parts:

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<td>Development of course contents including fundamentals of government auditing, intermediate government auditing, supervisory roles, and managing government audit, and workshop topics.</td>
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2.02. **Project Execution Generally.** The Recipient declares its commitment to the objectives of the Project. To this end, the Recipient shall carry out the Project in accordance with the provisions of: (a) Article II of the Standard Conditions; (b) the “Guidelines on Preventing and Combating Fraud and Corruption in Projects Financed by IBRD Loans and IDA Credits and Grants”, dated October 15, 2006 (“Anti-Corruption Guidelines”) with the modifications set forth in Section II of the Appendix to this Agreement; and (c) this Article II.

2.03. **Project Monitoring, Reporting and Evaluation.** (a) The Recipient shall monitor and evaluate the progress of the Project and, upon the World Bank’s request, prepare Project Reports, in accordance with the provisions of Section 2.06 of the Standard Conditions and on the basis of the indicators set forth below in paragraph (b) of this Section. Each Project Report shall cover such period as shall be indicated in the World Bank’s request and shall be furnished to the World Bank not later than one (1) month after the date of such request.

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<th>(b) The performance indicators referred to above in paragraph (a) consist of the following:</th>
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<td>(i) Human Resources Manual developed;</td>
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(ii) Financial Audit Manual developed;

(iii) Performance Audit Manual developed;

(iv) Reporting and Quality Assurance Guidelines developed; and

(v) Intermediary government auditing and supervisory roles defined.

(c) The Recipient shall, upon the World Bank’s request, prepare the Completion Report in accordance with the provisions of Section 2.06 of the Standard Conditions. The Completion Report shall be furnished to the World Bank not later than five (5) months after the Closing Date.

2.04. Financial Management. (a) The Recipient shall ensure that a financial management system is maintained in accordance with the provisions of Section 2.07 of the Standard Conditions.

(b) The Recipient shall ensure that interim unaudited financial reports for the Project are prepared and furnished to the World Bank not later than forty five (45) days after the end of each calendar semester, covering the semester in form and substance satisfactory to the World Bank.

(c) The Recipient shall have its Financial Statements audited in accordance with the provisions of Section 2.07 (b) of the Standard Conditions. Each such audit of the Financial Statements shall cover the period of one (1) fiscal year of the Recipient. The audited Financial Statements for each such period shall be furnished to the World Bank not later than six (6) months after the end of such period.

2.05. Procurement

(a) General. All services required for the Project and to be financed out of the proceeds of the Grant shall be procured in accordance with the requirements set forth or referred to in:

(i) Sections I and IV of the “Guidelines: Selection and Employment of Consultants by World Bank Borrowers” published by the World Bank in May 2004 and revised in October 2006 and May 2010 (“Consultant Guidelines”) in the case of consultants’ services; and

(ii) the provisions of this Section, as the same shall be elaborated in the procurement plan prepared and updated from time to time by the Recipient for the Project in accordance with paragraph 1.16 of the Procurement Guidelines and paragraph 1.24 of the Consultant Guidelines (“Procurement Plan”).

(b) Definitions. The capitalized terms used in the following paragraphs of this Section to describe particular procurement methods or methods of review by the World Bank of particular contracts, refer to the corresponding method described in the Consultant Guidelines.

(c) Particular Methods of Procurement of Consultants’ Services

(i) Except as otherwise provided in item (ii) below, consultants’ services shall be procured under contracts awarded on the basis of Quality- and Cost-based Selection.

(ii) The following methods may be used for the procurement of consultants’ services for those assignments which the World Bank agrees meet the requirements set forth in the Consultant
Guidelines for their use: (A) Selection of Individual Consultants; and (B) Sole Source Procedures for the Selection of Individual Consultants.

(e) Review by the World Bank of Procurement Decisions. The Procurement Plan shall set forth those contracts which shall be subject to the World Bank’s Prior Review. All other contracts shall be subject to Post Review by the World Bank.

Article III
Withdrawal of Grant Proceeds

3.01. Eligible Expenditures. The Recipient may withdraw the proceeds of the Grant in accordance with the provisions of: (a) Article III of the Standard Conditions; (b) this Section; and (c) such additional instructions as the World Bank may specify by notice to the Recipient (including the “World Bank Disbursement Guidelines for Projects” dated May 2006, as revised from time to time by the World Bank and as made applicable to this Agreement pursuant to such instructions), to finance Eligible Expenditures as set forth in the following table. The table specifies the category of Eligible Expenditures that may be financed out of the proceeds of the Grant (“Category”), the allocations of the amount of the Grant to the Category, and the percentage of expenditures to be financed for Eligible Expenditures in the Category:

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<th>Category</th>
<th>Amount of the Grant Allocated (expressed in USD)</th>
<th>Percentage of Expenditures to be Financed (inclusive of Taxes)</th>
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<td>Consultants’ Services, including Audit</td>
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3.02. Withdrawal Conditions. Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 3.01 of this Agreement, no withdrawal shall be made for payments made prior to the date of countersignature of this Agreement by the Recipient.

3.03. Withdrawal Period. The Closing Date referred to in Section 3.06 (c) of the Standard Conditions is three (3) years after the date of countersignature of this Agreement by the Recipient.
Article IV

Recipient’s Representative; Addresses

4.01. **Recipient’s Representative.** The Recipient’s Representative referred to in Section 7.02 of the Standard Conditions is the Executive Director of PASAI.

4.02. **Recipient’s Address.** The Recipient’s Address referred to in Section 7.01 of the Standard Conditions is:

   Pacific Association of Supreme Audit Institutions (PASAI)
   1st Floor, 46 Parnell Road
   Auckland 1052, New Zealand

   Facsimile:

   +64 9 307 9324

4.03. **World Bank’s Address.** The World Bank’s Address referred to in Section 7.01 of the Standard Conditions is:

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

   Cable:       Telex:       Facsimile:
   INTBAFRAD    248423 (MCI) or 1-202-477-6391
   Washington, D.C. 64145 (MCI)
APPENDIX

Modifications to the Standard Conditions and the Anti-Corruption Guidelines

Section I. The Standard Conditions are modified as follows:

1. The provisions of Section 4.02 (j) of the Standard Conditions are modified to read as follows:

   ... (j) Ineligibility. IBRD or IDA has declared the Recipient (other than the Member Country) ineligible to receive proceeds of any financing made by IBRD or IDA or otherwise to participate in the preparation or implementation of any project financed in whole or in part by IBRD or IDA, as a result of: (i) a determination by IBRD or IDA that the Recipient has engaged in fraudulent, corrupt, coercive or collusive practices in connection with the use of the proceeds of any financing made by IBRD or IDA; and/or (ii) a declaration by another financier that the Recipient is ineligible to receive proceeds of financings made by such financier or otherwise to participate in the preparation or implementation of any project financed in whole or in part by such financier as a result of a determination by such financier that the Recipient has engaged in fraudulent, corrupt, coercive or collusive practices in connection with the use of the proceeds of a financing made by such financier.”

2. The definition of “Member Country” in Section 17 of the Appendix, “Definitions,” is modified to read as follows:

   “17. ‘Member Country’ means the member of the World Bank in whose territory the Project is carried out or any of such member’s political or administrative subdivisions. If the Grant is extended by the World Bank to such member as a party to the Grant Agreement, the term ‘Member Country’ and ‘Recipient’ refer to the same entity. If the Project is carried out in the territory of more than one member of the World Bank, ‘Member Country’ refers separately to each such member.”

Section II. The modifications to the Anti-Corruption Guidelines are as follows:

1. Section 5 is re-numbered as Section 5(a) and a new Section 5(b) is added to read as follows:

   “...(b) These Guidelines also provide for the sanctions and related actions to be imposed by the Bank on Borrowers (other than the Member Country) and all other individuals or entities who are recipients of Loan proceeds, in the event that the Borrower or the individual or entity has been debarred by another financier as a result of a determination by such financier that the Borrower or the individual or entity has engaged in fraudulent, corrupt, coercive or collusive practices in connection with the use of the proceeds of a financing made by such financier.”

3. Section 11(a) is modified to read as follows:

   “...(a) sanction in accordance with prevailing Bank’s sanctions policies and procedures (fn13) a Borrower (other than a Member Country) (fn 14) or an individual or entity, including (but not limited to) declaring such Borrower, individual or entity ineligible publicly, either indefinitely or
for a stated period of time: (i) to be awarded a Bank-financed contract; (ii) to benefit from a Bank-financed contract, financially or otherwise, for example as a sub-contractor; and (iii) to otherwise participate in the preparation or implementation of the project or any other project financed, in whole or in part, by the Bank, if at any time the Bank determines (fn 15) that such Borrower, individual or entity has engaged in corrupt, fraudulent, collusive, coercive or obstructive practices in connection with the use of loan proceeds, or if another financier with which the Bank has entered into an agreement for the mutual enforcement of debarment decisions has declared such person or entity ineligible to receive proceeds of financings made by such financier or otherwise to participate in the preparation or implementation of any project financed in whole or in part by such financier as a result of a determination by such financier that the Borrower or the individual or entity has engaged in fraudulent, corrupt, coercive or collusive practices in connection with the use of the proceeds of a financing made by such financier.”

Footnotes:

“13. An individual or entity may be declared ineligible to be awarded a Bank financed contract upon completion of sanctions proceedings pursuant to the Bank’s sanctions policies and procedures, or under the procedures of temporary suspension or early temporary suspension in connection with an ongoing sanctions proceeding, or following a sanction by another financier with whom the Bank has entered into a cross debarment agreement, as a result of a determination by such financier that the firm or individual has engaged in fraudulent, corrupt, coercive or collusive practices in connection with the use of the proceeds of a financing made by such financier.”

“14. Member Country includes officials and employees of the national government or of any of its political or administrative subdivisions, and government owned enterprises and agencies that are not eligible to bid under paragraph 1.8(b) of the Procurement Guidelines or participate under paragraph 1.11(c) of the Consultant Guidelines.”

“15. The Bank has established a Sanctions Board, and related procedures, for the purpose of making such determinations. The procedures of the Sanctions Board sets forth the full set of sanctions available to the Bank. In addition, the Bank has adopted an internal protocol outlining the process to be followed in implementing debarments by other financiers, and explaining how cross-debarments will be posted on the Bank’s website and otherwise be made known to staff and other stakeholders.”