Somalia Multi Partner Fund
Grant Agreement
(Information and Communication Technology Sector Support Project (Phase 2))

between

FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF SOMALIA

and

INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION
(Acting as administrator of the Somalia Multi-Partner Fund)

Dated JUNE 15, 2015
AGREEMENT dated JUNE 15, 2015, entered into between the FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF SOMALIA ("Recipient"); and INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION ("World Bank"), acting as administrator of the Somalia Multi-Partner Fund ("SMPF"). The Recipient and the World Bank hereby agree as follows:

Article I
Standard Conditions; Definitions


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

Article II
The Project

2.01. The Recipient declares its commitment to the objectives of the project described in Schedule 1 to this Agreement ("Project"). To this end, the Recipient shall carry out Parts 1.A and 2.A of the Project through the Ministry of Posts, ICT and Telecommunications and cause Parts 1.B and 2.B of the Project to be carried out by the Puntland State of Somalia in accordance with the provisions of Article II of the Standard Conditions.

2.02. Without limitation upon the provisions of Section 2.01 of this Agreement, and except as the Recipient and the World Bank shall otherwise agree, the Recipient shall ensure that the Project is carried out in accordance with the provisions of Schedule 2 to this Agreement.

Article III
The Grant

3.01. The World Bank agrees to extend to the Recipient, on the terms and conditions set forth or referred to in this Agreement, a grant in an amount equal to one million United States Dollars ($1,000,000) ("Grant") to assist in financing the Project.

3.02. The Recipient may withdraw the proceeds of the Grant in accordance with Section IV of Schedule 2 to this Agreement.

3.03. The Grant is funded out of the abovementioned trust fund for which the World Bank receives periodic contributions from donors to the trust fund. In accordance with Section 3.02 of the Standard Conditions, the World Bank’s payment obligations in
connection with this Agreement are limited to the amount of funds made available to it by the donors under the abovementioned trust fund, and the Recipient’s right to withdraw the Grant proceeds is subject to the availability of such funds.

Article IV
Additional Remedies

4.01. The Additional Event of Suspension referred to in Section 4.02 (k) of the Standard Conditions consists of the following, namely, that: (i) the agreement (“Co-financing Agreement”) between the Recipient and the European Union (“Co-financier”) providing for financing in an amount equivalent to $1,520,000 (“Co-financing”) to assist in financing the Project, has failed to become effective by June 30, 2016, or such later date as the World Bank has established by notice to the Recipient; provided, however, that the provisions of this paragraph shall not apply if the Recipient establishes to the satisfaction of the World Bank that adequate funds for the Project are available from other sources on terms and conditions consistent with its obligations under this Agreement. (ii) Subject to sub-paragraph (iii) of this paragraph: (A) the right to withdraw the proceeds of the Co-financing has been suspended, canceled or terminated in whole or in part, pursuant to the terms of the Co-financing Agreement; or (B) the Co-financing has become due and payable prior to its agreed maturity. (iii) Sub-paragraph (ii) of this paragraph shall not apply if the Recipient establishes to the satisfaction of the World Bank that: (A) such suspension, cancellation, termination or prematuring was not caused by the failure of the recipient of the Co-financing to perform any of its obligations under the Co-financing Agreement; and (B) adequate funds for the Project are available from other sources on terms and conditions consistent with the Recipient’s obligations under this Agreement.

Article V
Recipient’s Representative; Addresses

5.01. The Recipient’s Representative referred to in Section 7.02 of the Standard Conditions is its minister for finance.

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

Ministry of Finance
Villa Somalia
Mogadishu
5.03. The World Bank's Address referred to in Section 7.01 of the Standard Conditions is:

International Development Association
1818 H Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20433
United States of America

Cable: Telex: Facsimile:
INDEVAS 248423 (MCI) or 1-202-477-6391
Washington, D.C. 64145 (MCI)
AGREED at MOGADISHU, SOMALIA, as of the day and year first above written.

FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF SOMALIA
By

Authorized Representative
Name: Mohamed A. Ibrahimi
Title: Finance Minister - FAS

INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION
(acting as administrator of the Somalia Multi-Partner Fund)
By

Authorized Representative
Name: BEUA BIRD
Title: COUNTRY DIRECTOR
SCHEDULE 1

Project Description

The objective of the Project is to support the information and communication technology sector in Somalia by contributing to establishing an enabling environment and by encouraging efficiency and equity in access to connectivity.

The Project consists of the following parts:

PART 1: Efficiency and Equity in Access to Connectivity

Part 1.A Efficiency and Equity in Access to Connectivity at the Federal level

1.A.1 Carrying out a program of activities to support for the establishment of a framework for Subscriber Identity Module (SIM) card registration, such activities to include: (a) conducting comparative study of mandatory SIM card registration systems in other countries and making appropriate recommendations; (b) conducting consultations in the regions and developing a timetable for a coordinated approach to SIM card registration; (c) conducting consultations with mobile operators on the mandatory SIM card registration; and (d) building capacity of staff of the Recipient in the implementation of a mandatory SIM card registration system.

1.A.2 Carrying out of a program of activities to support connectivity in the higher education sector, such activities to include: (a) acquiring of internet bandwidth connectivity; (b) construction of network operations centers; (c) support the participation of the Recipient regional and global initiatives for internet based collaboration in research and education; and (d) Support for capacity building and training of the Recipient’s staff in information technology skills.

1.A.3 Carrying out of a Program of activities to establish communication rooms in key ministries of the Recipient, such activities to include: (a) setting up communication rooms in the selected ministries including supplying needed equipment; (b) support for capacity building of the Recipient staff in the installation and operation of the communication rooms; and (c) acquiring of internet bandwidth connectivity.


1.B.1 Carrying out of a program of activities to support connectivity in the higher education sector, such activities to include: (a) acquiring of internet bandwidth connectivity; (b) construction of network operations centers; (c) support the participation of the Recipient regional and global initiatives for internet based collaboration in research and education; and (d) Support for capacity building and training of the Recipient’s staff in information technology skills.
1. B.2 Carrying out of a Program of activities to establish communication rooms in key ministries of the Recipient, such activities to include: (a) setting up communication rooms in the selected ministries including supplying needed equipment; (b) support for capacity building of the Recipient staff in the installation and operation of the communication rooms; and (c) acquiring of internet bandwidth connectivity.

PART 2: Project Management and Coordination

Part 2.A Project Management and Coordination at the Federal Level

2. A.1 Financing of Operating Costs and other costs associated with implementation and coordination of the Project.

2. A.2 Carrying out monitoring and evaluation and auditing on the Project.

2. A.3 Capacity building of Project implementation staff.

Part 2.B Project Management and Coordination in the Puntland State of Somalia

2. B.1 Financing of Operating Costs and other costs associated with implementation and coordination of the Project.

2. B.2 Carrying out monitoring and evaluation and auditing on the Project.

2. B.3 Capacity building of Project implementation staff.
Section I. Institutional and Other Arrangements

A. Institutional Arrangements at the Federal Level

Ministry of Posts, ICT and Telecommunications

1. The Ministry of Posts, ICT and Telecommunications shall be responsible for overall coordination and implementation of the Project.

Project Implementation Unit

2. The Recipient shall: (a) maintain throughout Project implementation, the Project Implementation Unit (PIU) and the External Assistance Fiduciary Section (EAFS) both with institutional framework, terms of reference and staffing satisfactory to the World Bank, and with resources adequate to perform their functions under the Project; and (b) engage: (i) not later than September 30, 2015, an accountant and a procurement specialist; and (ii) with the prior agreement of the World Bank, such other staff as may be necessary for the proper implementation of the Project; all said staff with qualifications, experience, and terms of reference satisfactory to the World Bank.

3. Without limitation on the foregoing: (a) the PIU shall be responsible for the day-to-day administration of the Project at the Federal level; and (b) the EAFS shall be responsible for financial management and procurement for the Project at the Federal level.

B. Institutional Arrangements in the Puntland State of Somalia

Ministry of Information, Communication, Culture and Heritage

1. The Ministry of Information, Communication, Culture and Heritage shall be responsible for overall coordination and implementation of the Project at the Puntland State level.

Project Coordination Unit

2. The Recipient shall ensure and cause the Puntland State of Somalia to: (a) maintain throughout Project implementation, the Project coordination Unit (PCU) with terms of reference and staffing satisfactory to the World Bank, and with resources adequate to perform its functions under the Project; and (b) not later than December 1, 2015: (i) establish and maintain throughout Project Implementation, the Puntland External Assistance Fiduciary Section (PEAFS) with institutional framework, terms of reference and staffing satisfactory to the World Bank, and with resources adequate to perform its functions under the Project; and (ii) appoint
and assign to the PCU an accountant and a procurement specialist both with qualifications, experience, and terms of reference satisfactory to the World Bank.

3. Without limitation on the foregoing: (a) the PCU shall be responsible for the day-to-day administration of the Project at the Puntland State level; and (b) the PEAFS shall be responsible for the financial management and procurement for the Project at the Puntland State level.

C. Subsidiary Agreement

1. To facilitate the carrying out of Parts 1.B and 2.B of Project, the Recipient shall make the proceeds of the Grant made available from time to time for the implementation of said Parts of the Project to the Puntland State of Somalia, on grant terms, under a subsidiary agreement between the Recipient and the Puntland State of Somalia, under terms and conditions approved by the World Bank ("Subsidiary Agreement") including the right of the Recipient to suspend or terminate the right of the Puntland State of Somalia to use the proceeds of the Grant, or to obtain a refund of all or any part of the amount of the Grant then withdrawn, upon the Puntland State of Somalia's failure to perform any of its obligations under the Subsidiary Agreement, and which shall include the obligation of the Puntland State of Somalia to:

(a) carry out the Project with due diligence and efficiency and in accordance with sound technical, economic, financial, managerial, environmental and social standards and practices satisfactory to the World Bank, including in accordance with the provisions of the Anti-Corruption Guidelines;

(b) provide, promptly as needed, the resources required for the purpose;

(c) procure the goods and services to be financed out of the Grant in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement;

(d) maintain policies and procedures adequate to enable it to monitor and evaluate in accordance with indicators acceptable to the World Bank, the progress of the Project and the achievement of the Grant's objectives;

(e) (i) maintain a financial management system and prepare financial statements in accordance with consistently applied accounting standards acceptable to the World Bank, both in a manner adequate to reflect the operations, resources and expenditures related to the Project; and (ii) at the World Bank's or the Recipient's request, have such financial statements audited by independent auditors acceptable to the World Bank, in accordance with consistently applied auditing standards acceptable to the World Bank, and promptly furnish the statements as so audited to the Recipient and the World Bank;

(f) enable the Recipient and the World Bank to inspect the Project, its operations and any relevant records and documents; and
prepare and furnish to the Recipient and the World Bank all such information as the Recipient or the World Bank shall reasonably request relating to the foregoing.

2. The Recipient shall exercise its rights under the Subsidiary Agreement in such manner as to protect the interests of the Recipient and the World Bank and to accomplish the purposes of the Grant. Except as the World Bank shall otherwise agree, the Recipient shall not assign, amend, abrogate, or waive, or permit to be assigned, amended, abrogated, or waived, the aforementioned, or any provision thereof.

3. In the event of any conflict between the provisions of the Subsidiary Agreement and those of this Agreement, the latter shall prevail.

D. Implementation Arrangements

Project Implementation Manual

1. The Recipient shall ensure and cause the Puntland State of Somalia to carry out the Project in accordance with the Project implementation manual and except as the World Bank shall otherwise agree in writing, not amend or waive, or permit to be amended or waived any provision of the Project Implementation Manual.

2. In case of a conflict between the provisions of the Project Implementation Manual and this Agreement, those of this Agreement shall prevail.

Annual Work Plan and Budget

3. The Recipient shall, not later than November 15 of each year prepare and furnish to the World Bank, an annual program of activities proposed for implementation under the Project during the following Fiscal Year, together with a proposed budget for the purpose.

4. The Recipient shall exchange views with the World Bank on each such proposed annual work plan, and shall thereafter adopt, and carry out such program of activities for such following Fiscal Year as shall have been agreed with the World Bank, as such plan may be subsequently revised during such following Fiscal Year with the prior written agreement of the World Bank (Agreed Annual Work Plan and Budget).

E. Anti-Corruption

The Recipient shall ensure that the Project is carried out in accordance with the Anti-Corruption Guidelines.
II. **Project Monitoring, Reporting and Evaluation**

A. **Project Reports; Completion Report**

1. The Recipient shall monitor and evaluate, and cause the Puntland State of Somalia to monitor and evaluate the progress of the Project and prepare Project Reports in accordance with the provisions of Section 2.06 of the Standard Conditions and on the basis of the indicators acceptable to the World Bank Project Implementation Manual. Each Project Report shall cover the period of one quarter and shall be furnished to the World Bank not later than forty five (45) days after the end of the period covered by such report.

2. The Recipient shall 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 six (6) months after the Closing Date.

B. **Financial Management; Financial Reports; Audits**

1. The Recipient shall maintain and cause to be maintained a financial management system in accordance with the provisions of Section 2.07 of the Standard Conditions.

2. Without limitation on the provisions of Part A of this Section, the Recipient shall prepare, and cause the Puntland State of Somalia to prepare and furnish to the World Bank not later than forty-five (45) days after the end of each calendar quarter, interim unaudited financial reports for the Project covering the quarter, in form and substance satisfactory to the World Bank.

3. The Recipient shall ensure and cause the Puntland State of Somalia to have its Financial Statements for the Project 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 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.

**Section III. Procurement**

A. **General**

1. **Procurement and Consultant Guidelines.** All goods, non-consulting-services and consultants’ 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:

   (a) Section I of Procurement Guidelines in the case of goods and non-consulting services, and Sections I and IV of the Consultant Guidelines in the case of consultants’ services; and
the provisions of this Section III, 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 1.18 of the Procurement Guidelines and paragraph 1.25 of the Consultant Guidelines ("Procurement Plan").

4. **Definitions.** The capitalized terms used below in 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 Sections II and III of the Procurement Guidelines, or Sections II, III, IV and V of the Consultant Guidelines, as the case may be.

B. **Particular Methods of Procurement of Goods and Non-consulting Services**

1. **International Competitive Bidding.** Except as otherwise provided in paragraph 2 below, goods, non-consulting services shall be procured under contracts awarded on the basis of International Competitive Bidding.

2. **Other Methods of Procurement of Goods and Non-consulting Services.** The following table specifies the methods of procurement which may be used for goods and non-consulting services. The Procurement Plan shall specify the circumstances under which such methods may be used:

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<td>(a) Limited International Bidding</td>
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<td>(b) National Competitive Bidding <em>(subject to the additional provisions set out in paragraph 3 below)</em></td>
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<td>(c) Shopping</td>
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<td>(d) Direct Contracting</td>
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<td>(e) Procurement under Framework Agreements in accordance with procedures which have been found acceptable to the World Bank</td>
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<td>(f) Procurement from UNOPS</td>
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3. **Additional Provisions relating National Competitive Bidding**

National Competitive Bidding (NCB) shall follow the Recipient’s procurement procedures acceptable to the World Bank, provided that the principles of economy, efficiency, transparency, and fair competition are adhered to, and subject to the following additional procedures:
Participation in Bidding:

(a) Government-owned enterprises shall be eligible to participate in bidding only if they can establish that they are legally and financially autonomous, operate under commercial law, and are not a dependent agency of the Government.

(b) Foreign bidders shall be eligible to participate under the same conditions as local bidders. In particular, no preference over foreign bidders shall be granted to local bidders in bid evaluation.

Advertising: Time for Bid Preparation

(c) Invitations to bid shall be advertised in a newspaper of wide circulation, and prospective bidders shall be allowed a minimum of thirty (30) days between the date on which the notification appears for the first time and the deadline for bid submission. In appropriate cases and with the prior approval of the World Bank, the minimum period of thirty (30) days may be reduced to a minimum period of ten (10) days.

Standard Bidding Documents

(d) Until standard bidding documents acceptable to the World Bank have been introduced by the Government of the FRS, customized version of World Bank’s standard bidding documents may be used with the World Bank’s prior approval. In accordance with paragraph 1.16 (e) of the Procurement Guidelines, each bidding document and contract financed out of the proceeds of the Grant shall provide that: (i) The bidders, suppliers and contractors, and their sub-contractors, agents, personnel, consultants, service providers, or suppliers shall permit the World Bank, at its request, to inspect their accounts and records relating to the bid submission and performance of the contract and to have said accounts and records audited by auditors appointed by the World Bank; and (ii) the deliberate and material violation by the consultant, bidder, supplier, contractor or subcontractor of such provision may amount to an obstructive practice as defined in paragraph 1.16(a)(v) of the Procurement Guidelines.

Qualification and Evaluation Criteria

(e) Qualification criteria shall be clearly specified in the bidding documents, and all criteria so specified, and only criteria so specified, shall be used to determine whether a bidder is qualified. Bids of bidders not meeting such criteria shall be rejected as non-qualified. The fact that a bidder meets or surpasses the specified qualification criteria shall not be taken into account in the evaluation of such bidder’s bid.

(f) Evaluation criteria shall be clearly specified in the bidding documents, and all evaluation criteria other than price shall be quantified in monetary
terms. All evaluation criteria so specified, and only criteria so specified, shall be used in bid evaluation. Merit points shall not be used in bid evaluation.

Bid submission

(g) Bids shall be submitted in sealed envelopes and shall be accepted whether through post/courier or hand-carried.

Bid Opening

(h) Bids shall be opened in the presence of bidders who wish to attend, and immediately after the deadline for bid submission. Said deadline, and the place of bid opening, shall be announced in the invitation to bid. The name of each bidder, and the amount of his bid, shall be read aloud and recorded when opened in the minutes of bid opening. The minutes of bid opening shall be signed by the members of the bid opening committee immediately after bid opening.

(i) Bids received after the deadline for bid submission shall be returned to the bidders unopened.

Bid Evaluation and Award of Contracts

(j) A bid containing material deviations from or reservations to the terms, conditions and specifications of the bidding documents shall be rejected as not substantially responsive. A bidder shall not be permitted to withdraw material deviations or reservations once bids have been opened.

(k) The bid evaluation shall be carried out in strict adherence to the criteria specified in the bidding documents, and the contract shall be awarded to the qualified bidder offering the lowest evaluated and substantially responsive bid.

(l) A bidder shall not be required, as a condition for award, to undertake obligations not specified in the bidding documents or otherwise to modify his bid as originally submitted.

(m) There shall be no post-bidding negotiations with the lowest or any other bidder.
Publication of Contract Award

(n) Within two weeks of the award decision of the contract, the contract award is published in a newspaper of wide national circulation and/or in the official gazette provided that it is of wide circulation, or on a widely used website or electronic portal with free national and international access. Publications shall include the bid, lot numbers, and the following information: (a) the name of each bidder that submitted a bid; (b) bid prices as read out at bid opening; (c) evaluated prices of each bid that was evaluated; (d) the names of bidders whose bids were either rejected as nonresponsive or not meeting qualification criteria, or not evaluated, with the reasons thereof; and (e) the name of the winning bidder, the final total contract price, as well as the duration and summary scope of the contract.

C. Particular Methods of Procurement of Consultants’ Services

1. Quality- and Cost-based Selection. Except as otherwise provided in paragraph 2 below, consultants’ services shall be procured under contracts awarded on the basis of Quality- and Cost-based Selection.

5. Other Methods of Procurement of Consultants’ Services. The following table specifies the methods of procurement which may be used for procurement of consultants’ services for those assignments which are specified in the Procurement Plan:

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<td>(a) Least Cost Selection</td>
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<td>(b) Selection under a Fixed Budget</td>
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<td>(c) Selection based on Consultants’ Qualifications</td>
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<td>(d) Single-source Selection of consulting firms</td>
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<td>(e) Selection of consultants under Indefinite Delivery Contract or Price Agreement</td>
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<td>(f) Selection of Individual Consultants</td>
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<td>(g) Single-source procedures for the Selection of Individual Consultants</td>
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D. 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.

Section IV. Withdrawal of Grant Proceeds

A. General

1. 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 table in paragraph 2 below.

2. The following table specifies the categories of Eligible Expenditures that may be financed out of the proceeds of the Grant (“Category”), the allocations of the amounts of the Grant to each Category, and the percentage of expenditures to be financed for Eligible Expenditures in each 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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<tr>
<td>(1) Goods, works, non-consulting services, consultants’ services, Training and Operating Costs under Parts 1.A and 2.A of the Project</td>
<td>1,000,000</td>
<td>100%</td>
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<td>(2) Goods, works, non-consulting services, consultants’ services, Training and Operating Costs under Parts 1.B and 2.B of the Project</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>100%</td>
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<td>TOTAL AMOUNT</td>
<td>1,000,000</td>
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B. Withdrawal Conditions; Withdrawal Period

1. Notwithstanding the provisions of Part A of this Section no withdrawal shall be made for payments:

   (a) made prior to the date of this Agreement

   (b) under Category 2 unless the Subsidiary Agreement referred to in Section I.C of Schedule 2 to this Agreement has been concluded and an opinion or opinions satisfactory to the World Bank of counsel acceptable to the World Bank has been issued attesting that the Subsidiary Agreement has been duly authorized by the Recipient and the Puntland State of Somalia and is legally binding upon each such party in accordance with its terms.

2. The Closing Date referred to in Section 3.06 (c) of the Standard Conditions is March 31, 2018.
APPENDIX

1. “Agreed Annual Work Plan and Budget” means a plan and budget referred to in Section I.D.3 of Schedule 2 to this Agreement.


3. “Category” means a category set forth in the table in Section IV of Schedule 2 to this Agreement.


5. “External Assistance Fiduciary Section” or “EAFS” means a unit in the Recipient’s Ministry of Finance responsible for financial and procurement management under the Project and referred to in Section I.A.2 of Schedule 2 to this Agreement.

6. “Fiscal Year” means the 12-month period from January 1 to December 30; provided, however, that, in the case of the first Fiscal Year of the Project (“First Fiscal Year”), the Fiscal Year period shall run from the date of this Agreement to December 30 next following.

7. “Ministry of Information, Communication, Culture and Heritage” or “MICCH” means the Puntland State of Somalia’s ministry responsible for matters relating to information and communication technology.

8. “Ministry of Finance” means the Recipient’s ministry at the time responsible for finance.

9. “Ministry of Posts, ICT and Telecommunications” means the Recipient’s ministry responsible for matters relating to posts and telecommunications, and information and communication technology.


11. “Operating Costs” means the expenses incurred on account of Project implementation, based on Agreed Annual Work Plans and Budgets approved by the World Bank pursuant to Section I.D.3 of Schedule 2 to this Agreement, including office equipment and supplies, vehicle operation and maintenance, maintenance of equipment, communication and insurance costs, office administration costs, utilities, rentals, consumables, advertising and translation.
costs, accommodation, travel and *per diem*, salaries of Project staff (but excluding the salaries of the Recipient’s civil service).

12. “Procurement Plan” means the Recipient’s procurement plan for the Project, dated January 20, 2015 and referred to in paragraph 1.16 of the Procurement Guidelines and paragraph 1.24 of the Consultant Guidelines, as the same shall be updated from time to time in accordance with the provisions of said paragraph.

13. “Project Implementation Manual” means the Recipient’s manual acceptable to the World Bank dated January 14, 2014, providing the administrative, financial, operational, monitoring and evaluation and other guidelines for the implementation of the Project and adopted for purposes of this Project, and referred to in Section I.D.1 of Schedule 2 to this Agreement, as the same may be amended from time to time with the prior written agreement of the World Bank, and such term includes any annexes or schedules to such Manual.

14. “Project Coordination Unit” means a unit within MICCH comprising the Project focal person and other staff, established for purposes of the day-to-day implementation of the Project at the Puntland State level, and referred to in Section I.B.2 of Schedule 2 to this Agreement.

15. “Project Implementation Unit” means the Recipient’s unit established for purposes of the day-to-day implementation of the Project at the Federal level, and referred to in Section I.A.2 of Schedule 2 to this Agreement.

16. “Puntland External Assistance Fiduciary Section” or “PEAFS” means a unit established within the Puntland Ministry of Finance and responsible for financial and procurement management under the Project at the Puntland State level and referred to in Section I.B.2 of Schedule 2 to this Agreement.


18. “Subscriber Identity Module” or “SIM card” means the removable integrated circuit within a mobile phone which contains the subscriber’s phone number and which is used to verify the subscriber’s identity when using the mobile network, though a unique serial number.

19. “Subsidiary Agreement” means the agreement referred to in Section I.C of Schedule 2 to this Agreement pursuant to which the Recipient shall make the proceeds of the Grant available to the Puntland State of Somalia.

20. “Training” means the costs of training under the Project, based on the Annual Work Plan and Budget, and attributable to seminars, workshops, and study tours, along with travel and subsistence allowances for training participants, services of trainers, rental of training facilities, preparation and reproduction of training materials, and other activities directly related to course preparation and implementation.