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FROM: The Secretary

February 5, 1999

Minutes of Meeting of the Executive Directors of the Bank and IDA held in the Board Room on Thursday, January 28, 1999 at 10:07 a.m.

1. There were present:

#### CHAIRMAN

S. Sandstrom, Managing Director

## EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS AND ALTERNATES ACTING AS EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS

- G. Abraham (Alternate)
- E. Ako-Adjei (Temporary Alternate)
- K. Al-Aboodi (Alternate)
- J. Alvarez (Temporary Alternate)
- R. Bachmayer
- E. Biskup (Alternate)
- A. Bugrov
- H. Cordeiro (Alternate)
- F. Ferrer
- J. Hylewski (Alternate)
- A. Kamitomai (Alternate)
- S. Le Gal (Temporary Alternate)

- C. Legg (Alternate)
- S. Lutfi (Temporary Alternate)
- M. Marek (Alternate)
- I. Niemi
- T. O'Leary
- O. Otazu (Temporary Alternate)
- S. Pickford
- S. Singh
- P. Stek
- B. Toure
- W. Wan Abdullah (Alternate)
- Zhu Xian

## ALTERNATES NOT ACTING AS EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS

- S. Ahmed
- P. Gomes

L. Hubloue

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## OFFICERS AND STAFF PARTICIPATING

- J. Linn, Vice President, ECA
- A. Rigo, Deputy General Counsel
- P. Siegelbaum, Director, ECC11
- L. Chu, ECC11

- A. Downs, CE2DR
- S. von Friedeburg, CE2G1
- T. Wolf, IMF
- H. Denton, Corporate Secretariat

#### **Belarus – Country Assistance Strategy**

2. The Executive Directors discussed the Country Assistance Strategy for Belarus (R98-305 dated December 28, 1998, R98-305/1 dated January 12, 1999, R98-305/2 dated January 20, 1999, and R98-305/3 dated January 21, 1999). (The Chairman's Concluding Remarks were distributed as SecM99-71).

#### Credit to Yemen - Second Public Works Project

3. The Executive Directors approved the credit to the Republic of Yemen for a Second Public Works Project in the amount of SDR35.6 million (US\$50.0 million equivalent) on the payment terms and other terms and conditions set out in the President's Memorandum (IDA/R99-6 dated January 11, 1999).

#### Supplemental Credit to Honduras - Nutrition and Health Project

4. The Executive Directors approved the supplemental credit to the Republic of Honduras for a Nutrition and Health Project in the amount of SDR7.5 million (US\$10.4 million equivalent) on the payment terms and other terms and conditions set out in the President's Memorandum (IDA/R99-8 dated January 21, 1999).

# Pension Reform: Additional Amendments to the Staff Retirement Plan Document

5. The Executive Directors recorded their approval on January 22, 1999 of the recommendation contained in paragraph 9 of the Memorandum from the Deputy Secretary entitled "Pension Reform: Additional Amendments to the Staff Retirement Plan Document" (R98-90/1).

# China: Seventh Railway Project (Loan No. 3897-CHA) – Restructuring and Amendment to Loan Agreement (R99-2)

6. The Executive Directors, with Ms. Piercy abstaining, recorded their approval on January 22, 1999 of the recommendation contained in paragraph 50 of the Memorandum from the Secretary entitled "China: Seventh Railway Project (Loan 3897-CHA) – Restructuring and Amendment to Loan Agreement (R99-2)".

# Date of Next Meeting

7. It was agreed to hold a meeting of the Executive Directors of the Bank and IDA on February 2, 1999.

# Adjournment

8. The meeting adjourned at 12:25 p.m.

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