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Honorable Minister:

## GHANA: Maternal and Child Health and Nutrition Improvement Project Amendment to the HRITF Grant Agreement (Grant Number TF016617)

We refer to the Grant Agreement ("Agreement") for the above-mentioned Project, dated January 5, 2015, between the Republic of Ghana ("Recipient") and the International Development Association ("World Bank"), acting as administrator of the Health Results Innovation Trust Fund (HRITF). We also refer to your letter dated April 28, 2015, requesting specific amendments to the Agreement.

Therefore, we propose to amend the Agreement as set forth in this letter (Amendment).

1. Schedule 1 to the Agreement shall be amended by inserting Part C as follows:

#### "Part C: Epidemic Preparedness and Control

- "1." "Preparing and implementing a national epidemic and preparedness plan, and carrying out a program of specific activities to strengthen the community-based health human and institutional capacity, including; (a) provision of training on infection prevention and control for relevant medical staff and volunteers at the community-based health planning services level, and ambulance staff; (b)renovating a treatment center; (c) strengthening ambulance services, and renovation of approximately eleven (11) ambulance stations; and (d) provision of technical advisory services for the establishment of a national infectious diseases control center, all through the provision of works, technical advisory services, training, and acquisition of goods and equipment."
- 2. Section 1.A.1 of Schedule 2 to the Agreement shall be amended as follows:

#### "1." "MOH and GHS"

"(a)" "The Recipient shall maintain, at all times during the implementation of the Project, the MOH and GHS with functions, staffing and resources satisfactory to the World Bank."

- "(b)" "Without limitation upon the provisions of paragraph 1(a) immediately above: (i) the MOH shall be responsible for the implementation of Parts B.1 and C of the Project, and for formulation of policies related to the Project, and overall coordination and stewardship of the Project activities; and (ii) the GHS shall be responsible for the implementation of Parts A and B.2 of the Project, and for the delivery of services supported through the Project, as set forth in the Project Implementation Manual."
- 3. Section 1.C.1 of Schedule 2 to the Agreement shall be amended as follows:
  - "C." "Subprojects Implementation Manual and Community Performance-based Financing Implementation Manual"
  - "1." "The Recipient shall carry out Parts A.1 and C of the Project in accordance with the arrangements and procedures set out in Subprojects Implementation Manual containing, inter alia, detailed arrangements and procedures for: (a) institutional coordination and day-to-day execution of the Subprojects; (b) fiduciary arrangements (i.e., financial management and procurement); (c) environmental and social safeguard guidelines; (d) defined eligibility criteria and approval, disbursement, administration, communication, monitoring and evaluation arrangements including key output indicators for Sub-projects; and (e) such other administrative, financial, technical and organizational arrangements and procedures as shall be required for the respective Subprojects.

All other provisions of the Agreement, except as herein amended, shall remain in full force and effect.

Please indicate agreement to the foregoing, on behalf of the Recipient, by countersigning and dating the form of confirmation on the two original copies of this letter and returning one original, as countersigned, to us. Upon receipt by the World Bank of the copy of this letter countersigned by the Recipient, this amendment shall become effective as of the date of its countersignature.

Sincerely,
INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION
(acting as administaor of the Health Results Innovation Trust Fund)

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