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**Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan: Support to Implementation of a National Unified Registry and Outreach Program for Targeting Social Assistance Project
(Grant No. TF015887)
Amendment to the Grant Agreement**

Excellency:

We refer to the Grant Agreement dated November 23, 2013 (“Agreement”) for the abovementioned Project between the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan (“Recipient”) and the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development and the International Development Association, both acting as an Implementation Support Agency of the Transition Fund (together “World Bank”). We also refer to your letter dated May 8, 2016 requesting some specific amendments to the Project.

Please note that capitalized terms used in this letter (“Amendment Letter”) and not defined herein have the meanings ascribed to them in the Agreement.

We are pleased to inform you that the World Bank accedes to your request and proposes, through this Amendment Letter, to amend the Agreement as follows:

1. Article 2.01 of the Agreement is amended to read as follows:

“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 the Project through MOPIC in accordance with the provisions of Article II of the Standard Conditions.”

2. Part A of Schedule 1 to the Agreement is deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:

“Part A: Building and Using the National Unified Registry (NUR) for Targeting Safety Nets

(a) System design and implementation support

Assisting the Recipient in designing an institutional interoperability framework and technical specifications for NUR system through carrying out an assessment of the business processes and Management Information Systems for NAF and the Participating Institutions.

(b) System development and Capacity Building

Supporting the Recipient in the establishment of the NUR system through, *inter alia*: (i) developing the NUR system as per the institutional interoperability framework and the technical specifications of NUR through the hiring of a service firm; (ii) acquiring necessary software and hardware for the establishment of NUR system, (iii) upgrading NAF’s and the Participating Institutions’ systems; and (iv) carrying out relevant Training for the purpose.

(c) Technical and Management Support

Strengthening the capacity of NAF and Participating Institutions in managing the implementation process of the NUR through, *inter alia*, hiring of consultants and provision of technical advisory and Training.”

3. Section I.A of Schedule 2 to the Agreement is deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:

“1. In order to ensure prompt and efficient implementation of the Project, the Recipient shall maintain, at all times during Project implementation, MOPIC to be responsible for the fiduciary aspects of the implementation of the Project.

Without limitation upon the paragraph immediately above, the Recipient shall ensure that MOPIC shall:

- (a) Carry out Part A of the Project through NAF which shall be responsible for the technical implementation of Part A. To this end, NAF shall, no later than sixty (60) days after the signing of this Amendment Letter, recruit and thereafter maintain, at all times during Project implementation, two technical specialists with functions, resources, and terms of reference satisfactory to the World Bank; and
- (b) Maintain, at all times during Project implementation, an integrated outreach worker program management unit with mandate, staffing and other resources satisfactory to the World Bank (“Integrated Outreach Worker Program Unit” or “IOWP Unit”) to be responsible for the technical implementation of Part B of the Project and the monitoring of the Project. To this end, the Recipient shall maintain, at all times during Project

implementation, IOWP Unit with staff functions, resources and terms of reference satisfactory to the World Bank.”

4. In the Appendix, definition no. 9 is deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:

“9. “National Unified Registry” or “NUR” means a mechanism to facilitate data exchange for eligibility assessment of public benefits and services.”

5. In the Appendix, the following definitions are added and placed in alphabetical order to read as follows and the rest of the definitions are renumbered accordingly to maintain alphabetical order:

““ISTD” means the Income and Sales Tax Department under the Recipient’s ministry in charge of finance.

“NAF” means the National Aid Fund; a national assistance program established under the Recipient’s Ministry of Social Development.

“MOICT” means the Recipient’s ministry in charge of information, communication and technology.

“Participating Institutions” means the following institutions which are participating in the Project: “NAF”, “SSC”, “ISTD” and “MoICT”.

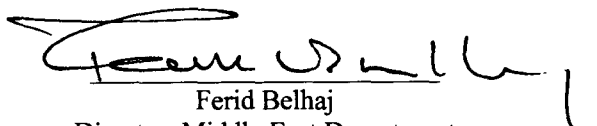
“SSC” means the Social Security Corporation in the Recipient’s territory.”

Please confirm your agreement with the foregoing amendments by signing and dating this Amendment Letter in the spaces provided below. Henceforward, all other provisions of the Agreement, except as amended through this Amendment Letter shall remain in full force and effect. This Amendment Letter shall be executed in two counterparts each of which shall be an original.

Upon confirmation, please return one fully executed original to us. The provisions set forth in this Amendment Letter shall become effective as of the date of countersignature upon receipt by the World Bank of the countersigned original of this Amendment Letter.

Sincerely,


**INTERNATIONAL BANK FOR RECONSTRUCTION AND DEVELOPMENT
INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION**
(Both acting as an Implementation Support Agency of the Transition Fund)



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AGREED:

HASHEMITE KINGDOM OF JORDAN

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Date: 8 October 2016