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Loan Agreement

(Power Sector Efficiency Improvement Project)

between

INTERNATIONAL BANK FOR RECONSTRUCTION AND DEVELOPMENT

and

TEHRAN REGIONAL ELECTRICITY COMPANY

Dated April 28, 1993

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LOAN AGREEMENT

AGREEMENT, dated April 28, 1993, between INTERNATIONAL BANK FOR RECONSTRUCTION AND DEVELOPMENT (the Bank) and TEHRAN REGIONAL ELECTRICITY COMPANY (the Borrower).

WHEREAS (A) Islamic Republic of Iran (the Guarantor) and the Borrower, having been satisfied itself as to the feasibility and priority of the Project described in Schedule 2 to this Agreement, have requested the Bank to assist in the financing of the Project;

- (B) by an agreement (the Guarantor Agreement) of even date herewith between the Guarantor and the Bank, the Guarantor has agreed to guarantee the obligations of the Borrower in respect of the Loan; and
- (C) to assist in financing the Project, the Borrower intends to obtain, with the assistance of the relevant authorities of the Guarantor, credits from suppliers of goods required under the Project, in an aggregate amount equivalent to about \$47,000,000;

WHEREAS the Bank has agreed, on the basis, inter alia, of the foregoing, to extend the Loan to the Borrower upon the terms and

conditions set forth in this Agreement;

NOW THEREFORE the parties hereto hereby agree as follows:

ARTICLE I

General Conditions; Definitions

Section 1.01. The "General Conditions Applicable to Loan and Guarantee Agreements" of the Bank, dated January 1, 1985, with the modifications set forth below (the General Conditions) constitute an integral part of this Agreement:

- (a) The last sentence of Section 3.02 is deleted.
- (b) In Section 6.02, sub-paragraph (k) is re-lettered as sub-paragraph (l) and a new sub-paragraph (k) is added to read:
 - "(k) An extraordinary situation shall have arisen under which any further withdrawals under the Loan would be inconsistent with the provisions of Article III, Section 3 of the Bank's Articles of Agreement."

Section 1.02. Unless the context otherwise requires, the several terms defined in the General Conditions and in the Preamble to this Agreement have the respective meanings therein set forth and the following additional terms have the following meanings:

- (a) "MOE" means the Ministry of Energy of the Guarantor;
- (b) "IPO" means the Iran Power Organization, a semiautonomous agency of MOE, responsible for the dispatch of electricity;
- (c) "Category" means a category of items to be financed from the proceeds of the Loan, as set forth in the table in Schedule 1 to this Agreement;
 - (d) "Rial" means the currency of the Guarantor;
- (e) "Fiscal Year and the sign FY" means any fiscal year of the Borrower and the Guarantor beginning on March 21 in any calendar year and ending on March 20 in the succeeding calendar year;
- (f) "Subsidiary Agreement" means the agreement to be entered into between the Borrower and IPO pursuant to Section 3.01 (a) (ii) of this Agreement, as the same may be amended from time to time, and such term includes all schedules to the Subsidiary Loan Agreement;
- (g) "Special Account" means the account referred to in Section $2.02\ (b)$ of this Agreement; and
- (h) "Suppliers' Credits" means the credits referred to in Recital (C) of the Preamble to this Agreement.

ARTICLE II

The Loan

Section 2.01. The Bank agrees to lend to the Borrower, on the terms and conditions set forth or referred to in the Loan Agreement, various currencies that shall have an aggregate value equivalent to the amount of one hundred sixty-five million dollars (\$165,000,000), being the sum of withdrawals of the proceeds of the Loan, with each withdrawal valued by the Bank as of the date of such withdrawal.

Section 2.02. (a) The amount of the Loan may be withdrawn from the Loan Account in accordance with the provisions of Schedule 1 to this Agreement for expenditures made (or, if the Bank shall so agree, to be made) in respect of the reasonable cost of goods and services required for the Project described in Schedule 2 to this Agreement and to be financed out of the proceeds of the Loan.

(b) The Borrower shall, for the purposes of the Project, open and maintain in dollars a special deposit account in a commercial bank on terms and conditions satisfactory to the Bank, including appropriate protection against set-off, seizure or attachment. Deposits into, and payments out of, the Special Account shall be made in accordance with the provisions of Schedule 5 to this Agreement.

Section 2.03. The Closing Date shall be June 30, 1998 or such later date as the Bank shall establish. The Bank shall promptly notify the Borrower of such later date.

Section 2.04. The Borrower shall pay to the Bank a commitment charge at the rate of three-fourths of one percent (3/4 of 1%) per annum on the principal amount of the Loan not withdrawn from time to time.

Section 2.05. (a) The Borrower shall pay a commission on the principal amount of the Loan withdrawn and outstanding from time to time, at a rate for each Commission Period equal to the Cost of Qualified Borrowings determined in respect of the preceding Semester, plus one-half of one percent (1/2 of 1%). On each of the dates specified in Section 2.06 of this Agreement, the Borrower shall pay the commission accrued on the principal amount outstanding during the preceding Commission Period, calculated at the rate applicable during such Commission Period.

- (b) As soon as practicable after the end of each Semester, the Bank shall notify the Borrower of the Cost of Qualified Borrowings determined in respect of such Semester.
 - (c) For the purposes of this Section:
 - (i) "Commission Period" means a six-month period ending on the date immediately preceding each date specified in Section 2.06 of this Agreement, beginning with the Commission Period in which this Agreement is signed.
 - (ii) "Cost of Qualified Borrowings" means the cost, as reasonably determined by the Bank and expressed as a percentage per annum, of the outstanding borrowings of the Bank drawn down after June 30, 1982, excluding such borrowings or portions thereof as the Bank has allocated to fund: (A) the Bank's investments; and (B) loans which may be made by the Bank after July 1, 1989 bearing interest rates determined otherwise than as provided in paragraph (a) of this Section.
 - (iii) "Semester" means the first six months or the second six months of a calendar year.
- (d) On such date as the Bank may specify by no less than six months' notice to the Borrower, paragraphs (a), (b) and (c) (iii) of this Section shall be amended to read as follows:
 - "(a) The Borrower shall pay commission on the principal amount of the Loan withdrawn and outstanding from time to time, at a rate for each Quarter equal to the Cost of Qualified Borrowings determined in respect of the preceding Quarter, plus one-half of one percent (1/2 of 1%). On each of the dates specified in Section 2.06 of this Agreement, the Borrower shall pay commission accrued on the principal amount outstanding during the preceding Commission Period, calculated at the rates applicable during such Interest Period."
 - "(b) As soon as practicable after the end of each Quarter, the Bank shall notify the Borrower of the Cost of Qualified Borrowings determined in respect of such Quarter."

"(c) (iii) 'Quarter' means a three-month period commencing on January 1, April 1, July 1 or October 1 in a calendar year."

Section 2.06. Commission and other charges shall be payable semiannually on April 1 and October 1 in each year.

Section 2.07. The Borrower shall repay the principal amount of the Loan in accordance with the amortization schedule set forth in Schedule 3 to this Agreement.

ARTICLE III

Execution of the Project

Section 3.01. (a) The Borrower declares its commitment to the objectives of the Project as set forth in Schedule 2 to this Agreement, and, to this end, shall (i) carry out Part A of the Project with due diligence and efficiency and in conformity with appropriate financial, administrative, engineering and environmental practices; and (ii) conclude, for purposes of Part B of the Project, under terms and conditions which shall have been approved by the Bank, a Subsidiary Agreement with IPO whereby:

- (A) the Borrower shall relend to IPO the proceeds of the Loan allocated from time to time for the carrying out of Part B of the Project under Category (2) (b);
- (B) IPO shall repay the principal amount withdrawn by it under the Subsidiary Agreement over the same period specified for the amortization of the Loan according to Schedule 3 to this Agreement, with commitment charge and commission at the same annual rates applicable to the Loan from time to time pursuant to Sections 2.04 and 2.05 of this Agreement, respectively;
- (C) IPO shall assume the foreign exchange risks with respect to amount onlent to it under the Subsidiary Agreement; therefore, amounts withdrawn under the Subsidiary Agreement shall be denominated in their equivalent, on the respective dates of withdrawal, in any internationally used currency agreed upon between the Borrower and IPO, and shall be repaid by IPO, together with the commitment charge and commission due thereon in their Rial equivalent, determined on the respective dates of debt service payment under the Subsidiary Agreement, according to the official rates of exchange applicable to the Subsidiary Agreement; and
- (D) IPO shall be required to carry out the studies included in Part B of the Project in accordance with the arrangements set forth in Section 2.02 of the Guarantee Agreement.
- (b) The Borrower shall exercise its rights under the Subsidiary Agreement in such manner as to protect the interests of the Borrower and the Bank and to accomplish the purposes of the Loan, and, except as the Bank shall otherwise agree, the Borrower shall not assign, amend, abrogate or waive the Subsidiary Agreement or any provision thereof.

Section 3.02. The Borrower shall:

- (a) ensure the continuing employment of the engineering consultants required to assist the Borrower in the carrying out of Part A of the Project until the completion thereof;
 - (b) ensure that adequate measures are taken during the

design, construction and operation of the power plant referred to in Part A of the Project, to comply with the environmental standards of the Guarantor and the Borrower regarding stack emission, ambient air quality, water quality, effluent treatment, discharge of water and noise pollution;

- (c) ensure that no equipment procured under Part A of the Project shall use polychlorinated biphenyls (PCB); and
- (d) develop, on the basis of technical standards satisfactory to the Bank, procedures for dealing with spills, fire or other emergency situations and for removal of hazardous materials.

Section 3.03. Except as the Bank shall otherwise agree, procurement of the goods and consultants' services required for Part A of the Project and to be financed from the proceeds of the Loan shall be governed by the provisions of Schedule 4 to this Agreement.

ARTICLE IV

Management and Operations of the Borrower

Section 4.01. The Borrower shall carry on its operations and conduct its affairs in accordance with sound technical, administrative, financial and public utility practices under the supervision of qualified and experienced management assisted by competent staff in adequate numbers.

Section 4.02. The Borrower shall at all times operate and maintain its plant, machinery, equipment and other property, and from time to time, promptly as needed, make all necessary repairs and renewals thereof, all in accordance with sound engineering and financial practices.

Section 4.03. The Borrower shall take out and maintain with responsible insurers, or make other provision satisfactory to the Bank for, insurance against such risks and in such amounts as shall be consistent with appropriate practice.

ARTICLE V

Financial Covenants

Section 5.01. (a) The Borrower shall maintain records and accounts adequate to reflect in accordance with sound accounting practices its operations and financial condition.

(b) The Borrower shall:

- (i) have its records, accounts, including the Special Account, and financial statements (balance sheets, statements of income and expenses and related statements) for each fiscal year audited, in accordance with appropriate auditing principles consistently applied, by independent auditors acceptable to the Bank;
- (ii) furnish to the Bank as soon as available, but in any case not later than six months after the end of each such year: (A) certified copies of its financial statements for such year as so audited; and (B) the report of such audit by said auditors of such scope and in such detail as the Bank shall have reasonably requested; and
- (iii) furnish to the Bank such other information concerning said records, accounts and financial statements as well as the audit thereof, as the Bank shall from time to time reasonably request.
- (c) For all expenditures with respect to which withdrawals

from the Loan Account were made on the basis of statements of expenditure, the Borrower shall:

- (i) maintain, in accordance with paragraph (a) of this Section, records and accounts reflecting such expenditures;
- (ii) retain, until at least one year after the Bank has received the audit report for the Fiscal Year in which the last withdrawal from the Loan Account was made, all records (contracts, orders, invoices, bills, receipts and other documents) evidencing such expenditures;
- (iii) enable the Bank's representatives to examine such records; and
- (iv) ensure that such records and contracts are included in the annual audit referred to in paragraph (b) of this Section and that the report of such audit contains a separate opinion by said auditors as to whether the statements of expenditures submitted during such Fiscal Year, together with the procedures and internal statements as well as the audit thereof, as the Bank shall from time to time reasonably request.

Section 5.02. (a) Except as the Bank shall otherwise agree, the Borrower shall produce funds from internal sources equivalent to not less 20% for FY 1993/94 and not less than 40% for each succeeding Fiscal Year of the annual average of the Borrower's capital expenditures incurred, or expected to be incurred, for that Fiscal Year, the preceding Fiscal Year and the next following Fiscal Year.

- (b) Before November 30 in each of its Fiscal Years, the Borrower shall, on the basis of forecasts prepared by the Borrower and satisfactory to the Bank, review whether it would meet the requirements set forth in paragraph (a) in respect of such year and the next following Fiscal Year and shall furnish to the Bank a copy of such review upon its completion.
- (c) If any such review shows that the Borrower would not meet the requirements set forth in paragraph (a) for the Borrower's fiscal years covered by such review, the Borrower shall promptly take all necessary measures (including, among others, measures within its powers to adjust the structure or levels of its rates) in order to meet such requirements.
 - (d) For the purposes of this Section:
 - (i) The term "funds from internal sources" means the difference between:
 - (A) the sum of revenues from all sources related to operations, consumer deposits and consumer contributions in aid of construction, net non-operating income and any reduction in working capital other than cash; and
 - (B) the sum of all expenses related to operations, including administration, adequate maintenance and taxes and payments in lieu of taxes (excluding provision for depreciation and other non-cash operating charges), debt service requirements, all cash dividends and other cash distributions of surplus, increase in working capital other than cash and other cash outflows other than capital expenditures.

- (ii) The term "net non-operating income" means the difference between:
 - (A) revenues from all sources other than those related to operations; and
 - (B) expenses, including taxes and payments in lieu of taxes, incurred in the generation of revenues in (A) above.
- (iii) The term "working capital other than cash" means the difference between current assets excluding cash and current liabilities at the end of each fiscal year.
- (iv) The term "current assets excluding cash" means all assets other than cash which could in the ordinary course of business be converted into cash within twelve months, including accounts receivable, marketable securities, inventories and prepaid expenses properly chargeable to operating expenses within the next Fiscal Year.
- (v) The term "current liabilities" means all liabilities which will become due and payable or could under circumstances then existing be called for payment within twelve months, including accounts payable, customer advances, debt service requirements, taxes and payments in lieu of taxes, and dividends.
- (vi) The term "debt service requirements" means the aggregate amount of repayments (including sinking fund payments, if any) of, and interest and other charges on, debt.
- (vii) The term "capital expenditures" means all expenditures incurred on account of fixed assets, including interest charged to construction, related to operations.
- (viii) Whenever for the purposes of this Section it shall be necessary to value, in terms of Rial, debt payable in another currency, such valuation shall be made on the basis of the prevailing lawful rate of exchange at which such other currency is, at the time of such valuation, obtainable for the purposes of servicing such debt, or, in the absence of such rate, on the basis of a rate of exchange acceptable to the Bank.

Section 5.03. (a) Except as the Bank shall otherwise agree, the Borrower shall maintain a ratio of net revenues to debt service requirements of not less than 1.5.

- (b) Before November 30 in each of its fiscal years, the Borrower shall, on the basis of forecasts prepared by the Borrower and satisfactory to the Bank, review whether it would meet the requirements set forth in paragraph (a) above in respect of such year and the next following fiscal year and shall furnish to the Bank the results of such review upon its completion.
- (c) If any such review shows that the Borrower would not meet the requirements set forth in said paragraph (a) for the Borrower's fiscal years covered by such review, the Borrower shall promptly take all necessary measures (including, without limitation, adjustments of the structure or levels of its tariffs) in order to meet such requirements.
 - (d) For the purposes of this Section:

- (i) The term "net revenues" means the difference between:
 - (A) the sum of revenues from all sources related to operations adjusted to take account of the Borrower's rates in effect at the time of the incurrence of debt even though they were not in effect during the twelve-month period to which such revenues relate and net non-operating income; and
 - (B) the sum of all expenses related to operations including administration, adequate maintenance, taxes and payments in lieu of taxes, but excluding provision for depreciation, other non-cash operating charges and interest and other charges on debt.
- (ii) The term "net non-operating income" means the difference between:
 - (A) revenues from all sources other than those related to operations; and
 - (B) expenses, including taxes and payments in lieu of taxes, incurred in the generation of revenues in (A) above.
- (iii) The term "debt" means any indebtedness of the Borrower maturing by its terms more than one year after the date on which it is originally incurred.
- (iv) The term "debt service requirements" means the aggregate amount of repayments (including sinking fund payments, if any) of, and interest and other charges on, debt.
- (v) Whenever for the purposes of this Section it shall be necessary to value, in terms of Rials, debt payable in another currency, such valuation shall be made on the basis of the prevailing lawful rate of exchange at which such other currency is, at the time of such valuation, obtainable for the purposes of servicing such debt, or, in the absence of such rate, on the basis of a rate of exchange acceptable to the Bank.

Section 5.04. The Borrower shall, not later than the end of FY 1993/94: (a) take all actions required on its part (including, if necessary), increasing its billing frequency, to ensure (i) that the amounts remaining outstanding in its accounts receivable for electricity sale shall not exceed, at any time, the equivalent, on average, of such sales' revenues for a three-month period; and (ii) that the amounts outstanding in its accounts payable for its purchases of electricity from the Iran Power Generation and Transmission Company of the Guarantor shall not exceed the equivalent, on average, of such purchases for a two-month period.

Section 5.05. The Borrower shall furnish to the Bank, by March 20, 1994, a complete revaluation, prepared on the basis of principles satisfactory to the Bank, of the Borrower's fixed assets in operation.

ARTICLE VI

Remedies of the Bank

Section 6.01. (a) Pursuant to Section 6.02 (1) of the General Conditions, the following additional event is specified, namely,

that the Borrower has failed, by March 20, 1994, to conclude the necessary arrangements to secure the suppliers' credits.

(b) Paragraph (a) of this Section shall not apply if the Borrower establishes to the satisfaction of the Bank that adequate funds for the Project are available to the Borrower from other sources on terms consistent with the obligations of the Borrower under this Agreement.

ARTICLE VII

Effective Date; Termination

Section 7.01. The following event is specified as an additional condition to the effectiveness of the Loan Agreement within the meaning of Section 12.01 (c) of the General Conditions, namely, that the Subsidiary Agreement has been executed on behalf of the Borrower and IPO.

Section 7.02. The following is specified as an additional matter, within the meaning of Section 12.02 (c) of the General Conditions, to be included in the opinion or opinions to be furnished to the Bank, namely, that the Subsidiary Agreement has been duly authorized or ratified by the Borrower and IPO and is legally binding upon the Borrower and IPO in accordance with its terms.

Section 7.03. The date ninety (90) days after the date of this Agreement is hereby specified for the purposes of Section 12.04 of the General Conditions.

ARTICLE VIII

Representative of the Borrower; Addresses

Section 8.01. The Managing Director of the Borrower is designated as representative of the Borrower for the purposes of Section 11.03 of the General Conditions.

Section 8.02. The following addresses are specified for the purposes of Section 11.01 of the General Conditions:

For the Bank:

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

Cable address:Telex:

INTBAFRAD 197688 (TRT), Washington, D.C. 248423 (RCA), 64145 (WUI) or 82987 (FTCC)

For the Borrower:

Tehran Regional Electricity Company Shohada Square P.O. Box 17185-1166 Tehran, Islamic Republic of Iran

Cable address: Telex:

TEHRAN REGIONAL 212817 TREC IR ELECTRICTIY COMPANY TEHRAN, IRAN

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto, acting through their duly authorized representatives, have caused this Agreement to be

signed in their respective names in the District of Columbia, United States of America, as of the day and year first above written.

INTERNATIONAL BANK FOR RECONSTRUCTION AND DEVELOPMENT

By /s/ C. Koch-Weser

Regional Vice President Middle East and North Africa

TEHRAN REGIONAL ELECTRICITY COMPANY

By /s/ Mohammed Khazaee

Authorized Representative

SCHEDULE 1

Withdrawal of the Proceeds of the Loan

1. The table below sets forth the Categories of items to be financed out of the proceeds of the Loan, the allocation of the amounts of the Loan to each Category and the percentage of expenditures for items so to be financed in each Category:

	Cate	egory	Amount of the Loan Allocated (Expressed in Dollar Equivalent)	% of Expenditures to be Financed
(1)	Equipment and materials (in-cluding installation work) for Part A of the Project		148,600,000	100% of foreign expenditures
(2)		ultants′ ices:		100% of foreign expenditures
	(a)	for Part A of the Project	9,100,000	
	(b)	for Part B of the Project	4,300,000	
(3)	Unallocated		3,000,000	
	TOTAL		165,000,000 ======	

- 2. For the purposes of this Schedule the term "foreign expenditures" means expenditures in the currency of any country other than that of the Borrower for goods or services supplied from the territory of any country other than that of the Borrower.
- 3. Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph 1 above, no withdrawals shall be made in respect of payments made for expenditures prior to the date of this Agreement, except that withdrawals under Category 2 (a) in an aggregate amount not exceeding the equivalent of \$2,000,000 may be made on account of payments made for such expenditures before that date but after August 1, 1992.

SCHEDULE 2

Description of the Project

The objectives of the Project are to alleviate power shortage through the addition and rehabilitation of power generation capacity, and to initiate studies for further improvements in the management of the electric power subsector.

The Project consists of the following parts, subject to such modifications thereof as the Borrower and the Bank may agree upon from time to time to achieve such objectives:

Part A: Power Generation Facilities; Training

- 1. Conversion of the power plant at Qom into a combined cycle (gas oil and natural gas-fired) plant, construction of transmission lines necessary to connect such plant to the national grid and installation of operating equipment.
- 2. Training of technicians at the Qom Plant referred to in paragraph 1 above.

Part B: Studies

Carrying out by IPO of (1) a comprehensive energy sector development study, (2) thermal plant rehabilitation study, and (3) power sector commercialization and privatization study.

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The Project is expected to be completed by December 31, 1997.

SCHEDULE 3

Amortization Schedule

Date Payment Due

Payment of Principal (Expressed in dollars)*

On each April 1 and October 1

beginning October 1, 1998 through April 1, 2010

6,875,000

Premiums on Prepayment

Pursuant to Section 3.04 (b) of the General Conditions, the premium payable on the principal amount of any maturity of the Loan to be prepaid shall be the percentage specified for the applicable time of prepayment below:

Time of Prepayment

Premium

The commission rate exppressed as a percentage per annum - (see Section 2.05 of the Loan Agreement) applicable to the Loan on the day of prepayment multiplied by:

^{*} The figures in this column represent dollar equivalents determined as of the respective dates of withdrawal. See General Conditions, Sections 3.04 and 4.03.

More than three years but not more than six years before maturity	0.35
More than six years but not more than 11 years before maturity	0.65
More than 11 years but not more than 15 years before maturity	0.88
More than 15 years before maturity	1.00

SCHEDULE 4

Procurement and Consultants' Services under Part A of the Project

Section I: Procurement of Goods

Part A: International Competitive Bidding

Goods shall be procured under contracts awarded in accordance with procedures consistent with those set forth in Sections I and II of the "Guidelines for Procurement under IBRD Loans and IDA Credits" published by the Bank in May 1985 (the Guidelines).

Part B: Preference for Domestic Manufacturers

In the procurement of goods in accordance with the procedures described in Part A hereof, goods manufactured in Islamic Republic of Iran may be granted a margin of preference in accordance with, and subject to, the provisions of paragraphs 2.55 and 2.56 of the Guidelines and paragraphs 1 through 4 of Appendix 2 thereto.

- Part C: Review by the Bank of Procurement Decisions
- 1. Review of invitations to bid and of proposed awards and final contracts:
- (a) With respect to each contract estimated to cost the equivalent of \$2,000,000 or more, the procedures set forth in paragraphs 2 and 4 of Appendix 1 to the Guidelines shall apply. Where payments for such contract are to be made out of the Special Account, such procedures shall be modified to ensure that the two conformed copies of the contract required to be furnished to the Bank pursuant to said paragraph 2 (d) shall be furnished to the Bank prior to the making of the first payment out of the Special Account in respect of such contract.
- (b) With respect to each contract not governed by the preceding paragraph, the procedures set forth in paragraphs 3 and 4 of Appendix 1 to the Guidelines shall apply. Where payments for such contract are to be made out of the Special Account, such procedures shall be modified to ensure that the two conformed copies of the contract together with the other information required to be furnished to the Bank pursuant to said paragraph 3 shall be furnished to the Bank as part of the evidence to be furnished pursuant to paragraph 4 of Schedule 4 to the Loan Agreement.
- (c) The provisions of the preceding subparagraph (b) shall not apply to contracts on account of which withdrawals from the Loan Account are to be made on the basis of statements of expenditure.
- 2. The figure of 10% is hereby specified for purposes of paragraph 4 of Appendix 1 to the Guidelines.
- Section II: Employment of Consultants

In order to assist the Borrower in the carrying out of

Part A of the Project, the Borrower shall employ consultants whose qualifications, experience and terms and conditions of employment shall be satisfactory to the Bank. Such consultants shall be selected in accordance with principles and procedures satisfactory to the Bank on the basis of the "Guidelines for the Use of Consultants by World Bank Borrowers and by The World Bank as Executing Agency" published by the Bank in August 1981.

SCHEDULE 5

Special Account

- 1. For the purposes of this Schedule:
- (a) the term "eligible Categories" means Categories (1) and (2) set forth in the table in paragraph 1 of Schedule 1 to this Agreement;
- (b) the term "eligible expenditures" means expenditures in respect of the reasonable cost of goods and services required for the Project and to be financed out of the proceeds of the Loan allocated from time to time to the eligible Categories in accordance with the provisions of Schedule 1 to this Agreement; and
- (c) the term "Authorized Allocation" means an amount equivalent to \$5,000,000 to be withdrawn from the Loan Account and deposited into the Special Account pursuant to paragraph 3 (a) of this Schedule.
- 2. Payments out of the Special Account shall be made exclusively for eligible expenditures in accordance with the provisions of this Schedule.
- 3. After the Bank has received evidence satisfactory to it that the Special Account has been duly opened, withdrawals of the Authorized Allocation and subsequent withdrawals to replenish the Special Account shall be made as follows:
- (a) For withdrawals of the Authorized Allocation, the Borrower shall furnish to the Bank a request or requests for a deposit or deposits which do not exceed the aggregate amount of the Authorized Allocation. On the basis of such request or requests, the Bank shall, on behalf of the Borrower, withdraw from the Loan Account and deposit in the Special Account such amount or amounts as the Borrower shall have requested.
 - (b) (i) For replenishment of the Special Account, the Borrower shall furnish to the Bank requests for deposits into the Special Account at such intervals as the Bank shall specify.
 - (ii) Prior to or at the time of each such request, the Borrower shall furnish to the Bank the documents and other evidence required pursuant to paragraph 4 of this Schedule for the payment or payments in respect of which replenishment is requested. On the basis of each such request, the Bank shall, on behalf of the Borrower, withdraw from the Loan Account and deposit into the Special Account such amount as the Borrower shall have requested and as shall have been shown by said documents and other evidence to have been paid out of the Special Account for eligible expenditures.

All such deposits shall be withdrawn by the Bank from the Loan Account under the respective eligible Categories, and in the respective equivalent amounts, as shall have been justified by said documents and other evidence.

4. For each payment made by the Borrower out of the Special Account, the Borrower shall, at such time as the Bank shall

reasonably request, furnish to the Bank such documents and other evidence showing that such payment was made exclusively for eligible expenditures.

- 5. Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph 3 of this Schedule, the Bank shall not be required to make further deposits into the Special Account:
- (a) if, at any time, the Bank shall have determined that all further withdrawals should be made by the Borrower directly from the Loan Account in accordance with the provisions of Article V of the General Conditions and paragraph (a) of Section 2.02 of this Agreement; or
- (b) once the total unwithdrawn amount of the Loan allocated to the eligible Categories, less the amount of any outstanding special commitment entered into by the Bank pursuant to Section 5.02 of the General Conditions, shall equal the equivalent of twice the amount of the Authorized Allocation.

Thereafter, withdrawal from the Loan Account of the remaining unwithdrawn amount of the Loan allocated to the eligible Categories shall follow such procedures as the Bank shall specify by notice to the Borrower. Such further withdrawals shall be made only after and to the extent that the Bank shall have been satisfied that all such amounts remaining on deposit in the Special Account as of the date of such notice will be utilized in making payments for eligible expenditures.

- 6. (a) If the Bank shall have determined at any time that any payment out of the Special Account: (i) was made for an expenditure or in an amount not eligible pursuant to paragraph 2 of this Schedule; or (ii) was not justified by the evidence furnished to the Bank, the Borrower shall, promptly upon notice from the Bank: (A) provide such additional evidence as the Bank may request; or (B) deposit into the Special Account (or, if the Bank shall so request, refund to the Bank) an amount equal to the amount of such payment or the portion thereof not so eligible or justified. Unless the Bank shall otherwise agree, no further deposit by the Bank into the Special Account shall be made until the Borrower has provided such evidence or made such deposit or refund, as the case may be.
- (b) If the Bank shall have determined at any time that any amount outstanding in the Special Account will not be required to cover further payments for eligible expenditures, the Borrower shall, promptly upon notice from the Bank, refund to the Bank such outstanding amount.
- (c) The Borrower may, upon notice to the Bank, refund to the Bank all or any portion of the funds on deposit in the Special Account.
- (d) Refunds to the Bank made pursuant to paragraphs 6 (a), (b) and (c) of this Schedule shall be credited to the Loan Account for subsequent withdrawal or for cancellation in accordance with the relevant provisions of this Agreement, including the General Conditions.