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Development Credit Agreement

(Second Private Sector Development Project)

between

REPUBLIC OF MOLDOVA

and

INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION

Dated September 3, 1997

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DEVELOPMENT CREDIT AGREEMENT

AGREEMENT, dated September 3, 1997, between REPUBLIC OF MOLDOVA (the Borrower) and INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION (the Association).

WHEREAS (A) the Borrower, having satisfied itself as to the feasibility and priority of the Project described in Schedule 2 to this Agreement, has requested the Association to assist in the financing of the Project;

the Borrower intends to contract from other donor sources a grant or grants (the Additional Grants) in an amount equivalent to \$2,000,000 to assist in financing part of the Project on the terms and conditions set forth in an agreement (the Additional Grant Agreements) to be entered into between the Borrower and additional donors; and

WHEREAS the Association has agreed, on the basis, inter alia, of the foregoing, to extend the Credit 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 Development Credit Agreements" of the Association, 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) The second sentence of Section 5.01 is modified to read:

"Except as the Association and the Borrower shall otherwise agree, no withdrawals shall be made: (a) on account of expenditures in the territories of any country which is not a member of the Bank or for goods produced in, or services supplied from, such territories; or (b) for the purpose of any payment to persons or entities, or for any import of goods, if such payment or import, to the knowledge of the Association, is prohibited by a decision of the United Nations Security Council taken under Chapter VII of the Charter of the United Nations."

(c) Section 6.03 is modified to read:

"Section 6.03. Cancellation by the Association. If (a) the right of the Borrower to make withdrawals from the Credit Account shall have been suspended with respect to any amount of the Credit for a continuous period of thirty (30) days, or (b) at any time, the Association determines, after consultation with the Borrower, that an amount of the Credit will to finance the Project's costs to be financed out of the proceeds of will not be required the Credit, or (c) at any time, the Association determines, with respect to any contract to be financed out of the proceeds of the Credit, that corrupt or fraudulent practices engaged in by representatives of the Borrower or of a beneficiary of the were procurement or the execution of such contract, without the Credit during the Borrower having taken timely and appropriate action satisfactory to the Association to remedy the situation, and establishes the amount of expenditures in respect of such contract which would otherwise have been eligible for financing out of the proceeds of the Credit, or (d) at any time, the determines that the procurement of any contract to be financed out of the proceeds of the Credit is inconsistent with the procedures set forth or referred to in Development Credit Agreement and establishes the amount of expenditures in respect of such contract which would otherwise have been eligible for financing out of the proceeds of the Credit, or (e) after the Closing Date, an amount of the Credit shall remain unwithdrawn from the Credit Account, the Association may, by notice to the Borrower, terminate the right of the Borrower to make withdrawals with respect to such amount. Upon the giving of such notice, such amount of the Credit shall be cancelled."

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) "Competitiveness and Productivity Center" or "CPC" means the Competitiveness and Productivity Center established as a non-profit, non-governmental organization pursuant to Decision No. 335 of the Borrower dated April 9, 1997;
- (b) "Eligible Private Enterprise" means a Private Enterprise (as hereinafter defined) fulfilling the criteria referred to in paragraph 2 of Schedule 4 to this Agreement;
- (c) "Eligible Participants" means Participants (as hereinafter defined) fulfilling the criteria referred to in paragraph 6 of Schedule 4 to this Agreement;
- (d) "Enterprise Assistance Agency" or "ARIA" means the Enterprise Assistance Agency, established as a non-profit organization pursuant to Resolution No. 426 of the Borrower, dated June 21, 1995, and registered in the Borrower's Enterprise Register on June 21, 1995;
- (e) "Funds Transfer Agreement" means the agreement to be entered into between the Borrower, through its Ministry of Finance, and CPC and referred to in Section 3.01 (b) of this Agreement;
- (f) "Participation Agreement" means an agreement to be entered into between CPC and an Eligible Private Enterprise referred to in paragraph 6 (c) of Schedule 4 to this Agreement.

- (g) "Participants" means managers or other staff of Private Enterprises (as hereinafter defined);
- (h) "PIU" means the Project Implementation Unit established within the Borrower's Ministry of Finance by Government Decree No. 799, dated December 5, 1995 and referred to in paragraph 1 of Schedule 4 to this Agreement;
- (i) "Private Enterprise" means a commercial entity registered in accordance with the applicable laws and regulations of the Borrower, in which more than fifty percent (50%) of the proprietary interest is held by local persons or companies other than the Borrower, the Borrower's local authorities or any subdivision thereof, or entities controlled by the Borrower;
- (j) "Selection Committee" means the selection committee to be established by the Borrower for Part B(2) of the Project and referred to in paragraph 4 of Schedule 4 to this Agreement; and
- (k) "Special Account" means the account referred to in Section 2.02 (b) of this Agreement.

ARTICLE II

The Credit

Section 2.01. The Association agrees to lend to the Borrower, on the terms and conditions set forth or referred to in the Development Credit Agreement, an amount in various currencies equivalent to six million six hundred thousand Special Drawing Rights (SDR 6,600,000).

- Section 2.02. (a) The amount of the Credit may be withdrawn from the Credit Account in accordance with the provisions of Schedule 1 to this Agreement for expenditures made (or, if the Association 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 Credit.
- (b) The Borrower may, for the purposes of the Project, open and maintain in Dollars a separate special deposit account in a commercial bank on terms and conditions satisfactory to the Association, 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, 2002, or such later date as the Association shall establish. The Association shall promptly notify the Borrower of such later date.
- Section 2.04. (a) The Borrower shall pay to the Association a commitment charge on the principal amount of the Credit not withdrawn from time to time at a rate to be set by the Association as of June 30 of each year, but not to exceed the rate of one-half of one percent (1/2 of 1%) per annum.
- (b) The commitment charge shall accrue: (i) from the date sixty (60) days after the date of this Agreement (the accrual date) to the respective dates on which amounts shall be withdrawn by the Borrower from the Credit Account or canceled; and (ii) at the rate set as of the June 30 immediately preceding the accrual date and at such other rates as may be set from time to time thereafter pursuant to paragraph (a) above. The rate set as of June 30 in each year shall be applied from the next date in that year specified in Section 2.06 of this Agreement.
- (c) The commitment charge shall be paid: (i) at such places as the Association shall reasonably request; (ii) without restrictions of any kind imposed by, or in the territory of, the Borrower; and (iii) in the currency specified in this Agreement for the purposes of Section 4.02 of the General Conditions or in such other eligible currency or currencies as may from time to time be designated or selected pursuant to the provisions of that Section.

Section 2.05. The Borrower shall pay to the Association a service charge at the rate of three-fourths of one percent (3/4 of 1%) per annum on the principal amount of the Credit withdrawn and outstanding from time to time.

Section 2.06. Commitment charges and service charges shall be payable semiannually on March 15 and September 15 in each year.

Section 2.07. (a) Subject to paragraphs (b), (c) and (d) below, the Borrower shall repay the principal amount of the Credit in semiannual installments payable on each March 15 and September 15 commencing September 15, 2007 and ending March 15, 2032. Each installment to and including the installment payable on March 15, 2017, shall be one and one-fourth percent (1-1/4%) of such principal amount, and each installment thereafter shall be two and one-half percent (2-1/2%) of such principal amount

- (b) Whenever: (i) the Borrower's per capita gross national product (GNP), as determined by the Association, shall have exceeded for three consecutive years the level established annually by the Association for determining eligibility to access the Association's resources; and (ii) the Bank shall consider the Borrower creditworthy for Bank lending, the Association may, subsequent to the review and approval thereof by the Executive Directors of the Association and after due consideration by them of the development of the Borrower's economy, modify the repayment of installments under paragraph (a) above by: (A) requiring the Borrower to repay twice the amount of each such installment not yet due until the principal amount of the Credit shall have been repaid; and (B) requiring the Borrower to commence repayment of the principal amount of the Credit as of the first semiannual payment date referred to in paragraph (a) above falling six (6) months or more after the date on which the Association notifies the Borrower that the events set out in this paragraph (b) have occurred, provided, however, that there shall be a grace period of a minimum of five (5) years on such repayment of principal.
- (c) If so requested by the Borrower, the Association may revise the modification referred to in paragraph (b) above to include, in lieu of some or all of the increase in the amounts of such installments, the payment of interest at an annual rate agreed with the Association on the principal amount of the Credit withdrawn and outstanding from time to time, provided that, in the judgment of the Association, such revision shall not change the grant element obtained under the above-mentioned repayment modification.
- (d) If, at any time after a modification of terms pursuant to paragraph (b) above, the Association determines that the Borrower's economic condition has deteriorated significantly, the association may, if so requested by the Borrower, further modify the terms of repayment to conform to the schedule of installments as provided in paragraph (a) above.

Section 2.08. The currency of the United States of America is hereby specified for the purposes of Section 4.02 of the General Conditions.

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 cause CPC to carry out the Project with due diligence and in conformity with appropriate administrative and financial practices and shall take or cause to be taken all action, including the provision of funds, facilities, services and other resources required for the Project.

- (b) The Borrower shall make the proceeds of the Credit available to CPC under a Funds Transfer Agreement, on a grant basis, under terms and conditions which shall have been approved by the Association.
- (c) The Borrower shall cause CPC to perform in accordance with the provisions of the Funds Transfer Agreement, all the obligations of CPC therein set forth and shall cause CPC to take or cause to be taken all action, including the provision of funds, facilities, services and other resources necessary or appropriate to enable CPC

to perform such obligations and shall not take or permit to be taken any action which would prevent or interfere with such performance.

- (d) The Borrower shall exercise its rights under the Funds Transfer Agreement in such manner as to protect the interests of the Borrower and the Association and to accomplish the purposes of the Credit, and, except as the Association shall otherwise agree, the Borrower shall not assign, amend, abrogate or waive the Funds Transfer Agreement or any provision thereof.
- (e) Without limitation upon the provisions of paragraph (a) of this Section and except as the Borrower and the Association shall otherwise agree, the Borrower shall cause CPC to carry out the Project in accordance with the Implementation Program set forth in Schedule 4 to this Agreement.
- Section 3.02. Except as the Association shall otherwise agree, procurement of the goods and consultants' services required for the Project and to be financed out of the proceeds of the Credit shall be governed by the provisions of Schedule 3 to this Agreement.
- Section 3.03. For the purposes of Section 9.08 of the General Conditions and without limitation thereto, the Borrower shall:
- (a) prepare, on the basis of guidelines acceptable to the Association, and furnish to the Association not later than six (6) months after the Closing Date or such later date as may be agreed for this purpose between the Borrower and the Association, a plan designed to ensure the continued achievement of the Project's objectives; and
- (b) afford the Association a reasonable opportunity to exchange views with the borrower on said plan.

ARTICLE IV

Financial Covenants

Section 4.01. (a) The Borrower shall maintain or cause to be maintained records and accounts adequate to reflect in accordance with sound accounting practices the operations, resources and expenditures in respect of the Project of the departments or agencies of the Borrower responsible for carrying out the Project or any part thereof.

(b) The Borrower shall:

- (i) have the records and accounts referred to in paragraph (a) of this Section including those for the Special Account for each fiscal year audited, in accordance with appropriate auditing principles consistently applied, by independent auditors acceptable to the Association;
- (ii) furnish to the Association as soon as available, but in any case not later than six (6) months after the end of each such year, the report of such audit by said auditors, of such scope and in such detail as the Association shall have reasonably requested; and
- (c) For all expenditures with respect to which withdrawals from the Credit Account were made on the basis of statements of expenditure, the Borrower shall:
- (i) maintain or cause to be maintained, in accordance with paragraph(a) of this Section, records and accounts reflecting such expenditures;
- (ii) retain, until at least one year after the Association has received the audit report for the fiscal year in which the last withdrawal from the Credit Account was made, all records (contracts, orders, invoices, bills, receipts and other documents) evidencing such

expenditures;

- (iv) ensure that such records and accounts 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 expenditure submitted during such fiscal year, together with the procedures and internal controls involved in their preparation, can be relied upon to support the related withdrawals.

Section 4.02. (a) The Borrower shall cause CPC to maintain records and accounts adequate to reflect in accordance with sound accounting practices its operations and financial condition.

- (b) The Borrower shall cause CPC to:
- (i) have the records and accounts referred to in paragraph (a) above for each fiscal year audited, in accordance with appropriate auditing principles consistently applied, by independent auditors acceptable to the Association;
- (ii) furnish to the Association as soon as available, in any case not later than six (6) months after the end of each 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 Association shall have reasonably requested; and
- (iii) furnish to the Association such other information concerning such records, accounts and financial statements and the audit thereof as the Association shall from time to time reasonably request.

ARTICLE V

Remedies of the Association

Section 5.01. Pursuant to Section 6.02 (h) of the General Conditions, the following additional events are specified:

- (a) \mbox{CPC} shall have failed to perform any of its obligations under the Funds Transfer Agreement;
- (b) As a result of events which have occurred after the date of the Credit Agreement, an extraordinary situation shall have arisen which shall make it improbable that CPC will be able to perform its obligations under the Funds Transfer Agreement.
- (c) The Borrower or any other authority having jurisdiction shall have taken any action for the dissolution or disestablishment of CPC or for the suspension of its operations;
- (d) The Additional Grant Agreements shall have failed to become effective by June 30, 1999, or such later date as the Association may agree; provided, however, that the provisions of this paragraph shall not apply if the Borrower establishes to the satisfaction of the Association that adequate funds for the Project are available to the Borrower from other sources on terms and conditions consistent with the obligations of the Borrower under this Agreement.
 - (e) (i) Subject to subparagraph (ii) of this paragraph:
- (A) the right of the Borrower to withdraw the proceeds of any grant or loan made to the Borrower for the financing of the Project shall have been suspended, canceled or terminated in whole or in part, pursuant to the terms of the agreement

providing therefor, or

(B) any such loan shall have become due and payable prior to the agreed $$\operatorname{\mathsf{maturity}}$$ thereof.

(ii) Subparagraph (i) of this paragraph shall not apply if the Borrower establishes to the satisfaction of the Association that: (A) such suspension, cancellation, termination or prematuring is not caused by the failure of the Borrower to perform any of its obligations under such agreement; and (B) adequate funds for the Project are available to the Borrower from other sources on terms and conditions consistent with the obligations of the Borrower under this Agreement.

Section 5.02. Pursuant to Section 7.01 (d) of the General Conditions, the following additional events are specified:

- (a) the event specified in paragraph (a) of Section 5.01 of this Agreement shall occur and shall continue for a period of sixty (60) days after notice thereof shall have been given by the Association to the Borrower;
- (b) the event specified in paragraph (c) of Section 5.01 of this Agreement shall occur; and
- (c) the event specified in paragraph (e),(i),(B) of Section 5.01 of this Agreement shall occur, subject to the proviso of paragraph (e),(ii) of that Section.

ARTICLE VI

Effective Date; Termination

Section 6.01. The following events are specified as additional conditions to the effectiveness of the Development Credit Agreement within the meaning of Section 12.01 (b) of the General Conditions:

- (a) the Funds Transfer Agreement has been executed on behalf of the Borrower and $\mbox{CPC}{\it i}$
- (b) the members of the supervisory board of CPC, including its president, have been appointed, with membership and terms of reference satisfactory to the Association; and
- (c) a project officer has been appointed to the PIU with qualifications, experience and terms of reference satisfactory to the Association.

Section 6.02. The following is specified as an additional matter, within the meaning of Section 12.02 (b) of the General Conditions, to be included in the opinion or opinions to be furnished to the Association; namely that the Funds Transfer Agreement has been duly authorized or ratified by the Borrower and CPC and is legally binding upon the Borrower and CPC in accordance with its terms.

Section 6.03. 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 VII

Representative of the Borrower; Addresses

Section 7.01. The Minister of Finance of the Borrower is designated as representative of the Borrower for the purposes of Section 11.03 of the General Conditions.

Section 7.02. The following addresses are specified for the purposes of Section 11.01 of the General Conditions:

For the Borrower:

Ministry of Finance Cosmonaut Street, 7 277005 Chisinau Republic of Moldova

Telex:

(3732) 228610

For the Association:

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

Cable address:

Telex:

INDEVAS 248423 (MCI) or Washington, D.C. 64145 (MCI)

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.

REPUBLIC OF MOLDOVA

By /s/ N. Tau

Authorized Representative

INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION

By /s/ R. Grawe

Acting Regional Vice President Europe and Central Asia

SCHEDULE 1

Withdrawal of the Proceeds of the Credit

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

	Category	Amount of the Credit Allocated (Expressed in SDR Equivalent)	% of Expenditures to be Financed
(1)	Training under Part B (2) of the Project	5,500,000	100%
(2)	Training under Part C of the Project	40,000	100%
(3)	Equipment under Part C of the Proje	40,000 ect	100% of foreign expenditures (exfactory cost) and

80% of local expenditures for other items procured locally

(4) Operating Costs 950,000 100%

(5) Unallocated 70,000

TOTAL 6,600,000

- 2. For the purposes of this Schedule "Operating Costs" means operation and maintenance costs of CPC and the PIU which would not have been incurred absent the Project and including, inter alia, costs with respect to: (i) office equipment and supplies; (ii) fees of consultants to assist CPC in Project implementation; (iii) communications; (iv) utilities and maintenance; (v), transportation; and (vi) other administrative and operating expenses incurred for the purposes of Project management and implementation.
- 3. Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph 1 above, no withdrawals shall be made: (a) in respect of payments made for expenditures prior to the date of this Agreement; and (b) in respect of any payments under Category (1), unless the Participants under Part B (2) of the Project have been selected in accordance with the criteria and procedures set out in paragraph 6 of Schedule 4 to this Credit Agreement.
- 4. The Association may require withdrawals from the Credit Account to be made on the basis of statements of expenditure for expenditures under contracts for: (i) equipment under Part C of the Project not exceeding \$50,000 equivalent; and (ii) training and consultants' services not exceeding \$200,000 equivalent under such terms and conditions as the Association shall specify by notice to the Borrower.

SCHEDULE 2

Description of the Project

The objective of the Project is to assist the Borrower in increasing the managerial capacity of private and recently privatized enterprises and in improving their productivity and competitiveness in domestic and international markets.

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

- 1. Provision of technical assistance for the development of a competitiveness program by CPC for the acquisition and analysis of information on the relative competitiveness of domestic enterprises, including benchmarking information on best practice and identification of domestic and international opportunities.
- 2. Provision of technical assistance to CPC in the implementation and dissemination of programs to provide enterprise managers with information on international and domestic benchmark standards and marketing and production requirements for enterprise and sector performance.
- Part B: Investing in Improvement of Managerial Skills
- 1. Provision of training to about 2,000 Participants in foreign language skills, computer skills and management techniques.
- 2. Provision of training to about 400 Eligible Participants through secondment to industrial and agro-enterprises in Central and Western Europe, East Asia and the United States.
- 3. Carrying out of dissemination activities by Eligible Participants following completion of the training provided under Part B(2) of the Project for the benefit of

other domestic enterprises and managers.

Part C: Implementation Support to CPC

Provision of support to, and office equipment and training for, the staff of the competitiveness and productivity departments of CPC to assist CPC in implementation of the Project.

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The Project is expected to be completed by December 31, 2001.

SCHEDULE 3

Procurement and Consultants' Services

Section I. Procurement of Goods

Part A: General

Goods shall be procured in accordance with the provisions of Section I of the "Guidelines for Procurement under IBRD Loans and IDA Credits" published by the Bank in January 1995 and revised in January and August 1996 (the Guidelines) and the following provisions of Section I of this Schedule.

Part B: Procurement Procedure

National Shopping

Office equipment estimated to cost less than an aggregate amount not to exceed \$50,000 equivalent, may be procured under contracts awarded on the basis of national shopping procedures in accordance with the provisions of paragraphs 3.5 and 3.6 of the Guidelines.

Part C. Review by the Association of Procurement Decisions

Post Review

With respect to each contract for goods, the procedures set forth in paragraph 4 of Appendix 1 to the Guidelines shall apply.

Section II: Employment of Consultants

Part A: General

Consultants' services shall be procured in accordance with the provisions of the Introduction and Section IV of the "Guidelines: Selection and Employment of Consultants by World Bank Borrowers" published by the Bank in January 1997 (the Consultant Guidelines) and the following provisions of Section II of this Schedule.

Part B: Quality- and Cost-based Selection

Except as otherwise provided in Part C of this Section, consultants' services shall be procured under contracts awarded in accordance with the provisions of Section II of the Consultant Guidelines, paragraph 3 of Appendix 1 thereto, Appendix 2 thereto, and the provisions of paragraphs 3.13 through 3.18 thereof applicable to quality- and cost-based selection of consultants.

Part C: Other Procedures for the Selection of Consultants

Single Source Selection

Services which are estimated to cost less than \$200,000 equivalent per contract, may, with the Association's prior agreement, be procured in accordance with the provisions of paragraphs 3.8 through 3.11 of the Consultant Guidelines.

Part D: Review by the Association of the Selection of Consultants

1. Selection Planning

Prior to the issuance to consultants of any requests for proposals, the proposed plan for the selection of consultants under the Project shall be furnished to the Association for its review and approval, in accordance with the provisions of paragraph 1 of Appendix 1 to the Consultant Guidelines. Selection of all consultants' services shall be undertaken in accordance with such selection plan as shall have been approved by the Association, and with the provisions of said paragraph 1.

2. Prior Review

- (a) With respect to each contract estimated to cost less than the equivalent of \$200,000, the procedures set forth in paragraphs 1, 2 (other than the second subparagraph of paragraph 2(a)) and 5 of Appendix 1 to the Consultant Guidelines shall apply.
- (b) With respect to each contract estimated to cost the equivalent of \$200,000 or more, the procedures set forth in paragraphs 1, 2 (other than the third subparagraph of paragraph 2(a)) and 5 of Appendix 1 to the Consultant Guidelines shall apply.

Post Review

With respect to each contract not governed by paragraph 1 of this Part, the procedures set forth in paragraph 4 of Appendix 1 to the Consultant Guidelines shall apply.

SCHEDULE 4

Implementation Program

- 1. The Borrower shall maintain the PIU with functions and responsibilities satisfactory to the Association and with staff whose qualifications, experience and terms of reference are satisfactory to the Association.
- 2. The Borrower shall cause CPC to ensure that each Private Enterprise from which Participants under Part B (2) of the Project are selected:
- (a) is not overdue in respect of any of its payment obligations to the Borrower or any agency of the Borrower; or
- (b) is participating in the Borrower's out-of-court voluntary restructuring program established pursuant to:
 - (i) Law on Enterprise Restructuring No. 958-XIII dated July 1996;
 - (ii) Government Decision No. 306 dated May 15, 1995; or
 - (iii) Government Decision No. 82 dated February 9, 1996; and
- (c) is an enterprise, including but not limited to manufacturing, transportation, construction or agro-processing.
- 3. The Borrower shall and shall cause CPC to ensure that Participants from Private Enterprises receive training in foreign language skills, computer skills and management techniques under Part B (1) of the Project.
- 4. The Borrower shall, by September 1, 1997, establish a Selection Committee with representatives from the Borrower's Ministry of Finance, ARIA, CPC, academia and the private sector, to select Eligible Participants under Part B (2) of the Project from a shortlist compiled by CPC.
- 5. The Borrower shall cause CPC to submit on a quarterly basis a shortlist of Eligible Participants for Part B (2) of the Project to the Selection Committee.
- 6. The Borrower shall cause CPC to ensure that each Participant under Part B (2) of

the Project:

- (a) is a mid-to-senior level manager or, with the prior agreement of the Association, any other professional staff of an Eligible Private Enterprise;
- (b) has completed basic training under Part B(1) of the Project in foreign language skills, computer skills and management techniques or otherwise meets the proficiency standards agreed with the Association in order to participate in Part B (2) of the Project;
 - (c) is a citizen of the Republic of Moldova;
- (d) is employed by an Eligible Private Enterprise which has entered into a Participation Agreement with CPC providing for the contribution by such enterprise of at least the cost of travel of the Participant under Part B(2) of the Project and of any dissemination activities under Part B(3) of the Project; and
 - (e) has been approved by the Selection Committee.
- 7. The Borrower shall cause CPC to submit to the Association for the Association's prior review, evidence that the first five (5) Participants under Part B (2) of the Project from five (5) Eligible Private Enterprises have fulfilled the criteria set out in paragraph 6 of this Schedule 4 to the Credit Agreement.
- 8. The Borrower shall cause CPC to ensure that each Eligible Participant under Part B (2) of the Project enters into a dissemination agreement with CPC to disseminate information acquired during any secondment under Part B (2) of the Project to managers of other domestic enterprises in the relevant sector.
- 9. The Borrower shall and shall cause CPC to:
- (a) maintain policies and procedures adequate to enable it to monitor and evaluate on an ongoing basis, in accordance with indicators acceptable to the Association, the carrying out of the Project and the achievement of the objectives thereof;
- (b) prepare, under terms of reference satisfactory to the Association, and furnish to the Association, on or about September 31, 1999, a report integrating the results of the monitoring and evaluation activities performed pursuant to paragraph (a) of this Section, on the progress achieved in the carrying out of the Project during the period preceding the date of said report and setting out the measures recommended to ensure the efficient carrying out of the Project and the achievement of the objectives thereof during the period following such date; and
- (c) review with the Association, by June 30, 1999, or such later date as the Association shall request, the report referred to in paragraph (b) of this Section, and, thereafter, take all measures required to ensure the efficient completion of the Project and the achievement of the objectives thereof, based on the conclusions and recommendations of the said report and he Association views on the matter.

SCHEDULE 5

Special Account

- 1. For the purposes of this Schedule:
- (a) the term "eligible Categories" means Categories (1), (2), (3) and (4) 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 Credit 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 \$600,000 to be withdrawn from the Credit Account and deposited into the Special Account pursuant to paragraph 3(a) of this Schedule, provided, however, that unless the

Association shall otherwise agree, the Authorized Allocation shall be limited to an amount equivalent to \$450,000, until the aggregate amount of withdrawals from the Credit Account, plus the total amount of all outstanding special commitments entered into by the Association pursuant to Section 5.02 of the General Conditions shall be equal to or exceed the equivalent of SDR 700,000.

- 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 Association 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 Association a request or requests for deposit into the Special Account of an amount or amounts which do not exceed the aggregate amount of the Authorized Allocation. On the basis of such request or requests, the Association shall, on behalf of the Borrower, withdraw from the Credit Account and deposit into 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 Association requests for deposits into the Special Account at such intervals as the Association shall specify.
- (ii) Prior to or at the time of each such request, the Borrower shall furnish to the Association 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 Association shall, on behalf of the Borrower, withdraw from the Credit 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 Association from the Credit 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 Association shall reasonably request, furnish to the Association 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 Association shall not be required to make further deposits into the Special Account:
- (a) if, at any time, the Association shall have determined that all further withdrawals should be made by the Borrower directly from the Credit Account in accordance with the provisions of Article V of the General Conditions and paragraph (a) of Section 2.02 of this Agreement;
- (b) if the Borrower shall have failed to furnish to the Association, within the period of time specified in Section 4.01~(b)(ii) of this Agreement, any of the audit reports required to be furnished to the Association pursuant to said Section in respect of the audit of the records and accounts for the Special Account;
- (c) if, at any time, the Association shall have notified the Borrower of its intention to suspend in whole or in part the right of the Borrower to make withdrawals from the Credit Account pursuant to the provisions of Section 6.02 of the General Conditions; or
- (d) once the total unwithdrawn amount of the Credit allocated to the eligible Categories, minus the total amount of all outstanding special commitments entered into by the Association pursuant to Section 5.02 of the General Conditions with respect to the Project, shall equal the equivalent of twice the amount of the Authorized Allocation.

Thereafter, withdrawal from the Credit Account of the remaining unwithdrawn amount of

the Credit allocated to the eligible Categories shall follow such procedures as the Association shall specify by notice to the Borrower. Such further withdrawals shall be made only after and to the extent that the Association 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 Association 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 Association, the Borrower shall, promptly upon notice from the Association: (A) provide such additional evidence as the Association may request; or (B) deposit into the Special Account (or, if the Association shall so request, refund to the Association) an amount equal to the amount of such payment or the portion thereof not so eligible or justified. Unless the Association shall otherwise agree, no further deposit by the Association 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 Association 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 Association, refund to the Association such outstanding amount.
- (c) The Borrower may, upon notice to the Association, refund to the Association all or any portion of the funds on deposit in the Special Account.
- (d) Refunds to the Association made pursuant to paragraphs 6 (a), (b) and (c) of this Schedule shall be credited to the Credit Account for subsequent withdrawal or for cancellation in accordance with the relevant provisions of this Agreement, including the General Conditions.