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Loan Agreement

(Vocational Education Reform Project)

between

PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA

and

INTERNATIONAL BANK FOR RECONSTRUCTION  
AND DEVELOPMENT

Dated September 13, 1996

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LOAN AGREEMENT

AGREEMENT, dated September 13, 1996, between PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA (the Borrower) and INTERNATIONAL BANK FOR RECONSTRUCTION AND DEVELOPMENT (the Bank).

WHEREAS: (A) the Borrower, having satisfied itself as to the feasibility and priority of the Project described in Schedule 2 to the Development Credit Agreement between the Borrower and the International Development Association (the Association) of even date herewith (the Development Credit Agreement), has requested the Bank to assist in the financing of the Project;

(B) the Borrower has also requested the Association to provide additional financial assistance towards the financing of the Project and by the Development Credit Agreement the Association is agreeing to provide such assistance in an aggregate principal amount equivalent to thirteen million eight hundred thousand Special Drawing Rights (SDR 13,800,000) (the Credit);

(C) the Borrower and the Bank intend, to the extent practicable, that the proceeds of the Credit be disbursed on account of expenditures in respect of the Project before disbursements of the proceeds of the Loan provided for in this Agreement are made; and

(D) the Project Entities (as defined in Section 1.02 (e) of the Development Credit Agreement) will carry out parts A and B of the Project with the Borrower's assistance and, as part of such assistance, the Borrower will make available to the Project Entities a portion of the proceeds of the Loan as provided in this Agreement and a portion of the proceeds of the Credit as provided in the Development Credit Agreement; and

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) The second sentence of Section 5.01 is modified to read:

"Except as the Bank 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 Bank, is prohibited by a decision of the United Nations Security Council taken under Chapter VII of the Charter of the United Nations."

(c) 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 Development Credit Agreement have the respective meanings therein set forth and the term "Development Credit Agreement" means the agreement of even date herewith between the Borrower and the Association for the Project, as such agreement may be amended from time to time, and such term includes the "General Conditions Applicable to Development Credit Agreements" of the Association, dated January 1, 1985, as applied to such agreement, and all schedules and agreements supplemental to the Development Credit 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 ten million Dollars (\$10,000,000), 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. The amount of the Loan may be withdrawn from the Loan Account in accordance with the provisions of Schedule 1 to the Development Credit 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 the Development Credit Agreement and to be financed out of the proceeds of the Loan.

Section 2.03. The Closing Date shall be December 31, 2002 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 per cent (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 interest on the principal amount of

the Loan withdrawn and outstanding from time to time, at a rate for each Interest 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 interest accrued on the principal amount outstanding during the preceding Interest Period, calculated at the rate applicable during such Interest 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) "Interest 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 Interest 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 interest 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 interest accrued on the principal amount outstanding during the preceding Interest 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. Interest and other charges shall be payable semi-annually on May 1 and November 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 the Schedule to this Agreement.

### ARTICLE III

#### Execution of the Project

Section 3.01. (a) Subject to paragraph (b) of this Section, Sections 2.02 (b), 3.01, 3.02, 3.03 and 4.01 of the Development Credit Agreement and Schedules 1, 2, 3, 4 (including the Annex to Schedule 4) and 5 thereto are incorporated in the Loan Agreement, with the following modifications in said Sections and Schedules 2 and 4 (except for Section 3.01 (b)) unless the context otherwise requires:

(i) the term "Association" shall be read as "Bank";

(ii) the term "Credit" and "Credit Account" shall be read as "Loan" and

"Loan Account"; and

(iii) the term "this Agreement" shall be read as "the Development Credit Agreement".

(b) So long as any part of the Credit provided for under the Development Credit Agreement shall remain outstanding and unless the Borrower has been notified otherwise by the Bank:

(i) all actions taken, including approvals given, by the Association pursuant to any of the Sections of, and Schedules to, the Development Credit Agreement enumerated in paragraph (a) of this Section, as well as pursuant to Section 2.02 (a) of the Development Credit Agreement, shall be deemed to be taken or given in the name and on behalf of both the Association and the Bank; and

(ii) all information or documentation furnished by the Borrower to the Association pursuant to the provisions of any of such Sections of the Development Credit Agreement or Schedules thereto shall be deemed to be furnished to both the Association and the Bank.

#### ARTICLE IV

##### Remedies of the Bank

Section 4.01. Pursuant to Section 6.02 (1) of the General Conditions, the following additional events are specified, namely, the events set out in Section 5.01 of the Development Credit Agreement.

Section 4.02. Pursuant to Section 7.01 (h) of the General Conditions, the following additional events are specified, namely, the events set out in Section 5.02 of the Development Credit Agreement, provided, however, that the term "Association" wherever it appears in such Section shall be read as "Bank".

#### ARTICLE V

##### Effective Date; Termination

Section 5.01. The following events are specified as additional conditions to the effectiveness of the Loan Agreement within the meaning of Section 12.01 (c) of the General Conditions, namely that all conditions precedent to the effectiveness of the Development Credit Agreement shall have been fulfilled, other than those related to the effectiveness of this Agreement.

Section 5.02. 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.

Section 5.03. If the Development Credit Agreement terminates prior to the termination of this Agreement, the provisions of the Development Credit Agreement referred to in this Agreement shall continue in full force and effect between the Borrower and the Bank.

#### ARTICLE VI

##### Representative of the Borrower; Addresses

Section 6.01. 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 6.02. The following addresses are specified for the purposes of Section 11.01 of the General Conditions:

For the Borrower:

Ministry of Finance  
Sanlihe

Beijing 100820  
People's Republic of China

Cable address:

FINANMIN  
Beijing

Telex:

22486 MFPRC CN

For the Bank:

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

Cable address:

INTBAFRAD  
Washington, D.C.

Telex:

248423 (MCI) or  
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.

PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA

By /s/ Zhou Wenzhong

Authorized Representative

INTERNATIONAL BANK FOR  
RECONSTRUCTION AND DEVELOPMENT

By /s/ Russell Cheetham

Regional Vice President  
East Asia and Pacific

#### SCHEDULE

##### Amortization Schedule

Date Payment Due	Payment of Principal (expressed in Dollars)*
November 1, 2001	195,000
May 1, 2002	200,000
November 1, 2002	210,000
May 1, 2003	215,000
November 1, 2003	225,000
May 1, 2004	230,000
November 1, 2004	240,000
May 1, 2005	245,000
November 1, 2005	255,000
May 1, 2006	265,000
November 1, 2006	275,000
May 1, 2007	285,000
November 1, 2007	295,000
May 1, 2008	305,000
November 1, 2008	315,000

May 1, 2009	325,000
November 1, 2009	335,000
May 1, 2010	350,000
November 1, 2010	360,000
May 1, 2011	370,000
November 1, 2011	385,000
May 1, 2012	400,000
November 1, 2012	415,000
May 1, 2013	425,000
November 1, 2013	440,000
May 1, 2014	455,000
November 1, 2014	475,000
May 1, 2015	490,000
November 1, 2015	505,000
May 1, 2016	515,000

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 interest rate (expressed as a percentage per annum) applicable to the Loan on the day of prepayment multiplied by:
Not more than three years before maturity	0.15
More than three years but not more than six years before maturity	0.30
More than six years but not more than 11 years before maturity	0.55
More than 11 years but not more than 16 years before maturity	0.80
More than 16 years but not more than 18 years before maturity	0.90
More than 18 years before maturity	1.00

