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GRANT NUMBER TF097344

Trust Fund Grant Agreement

(Capacity Building for Palestinian Economic and Regulatory Institutions Project)

between

PALESTINE LIBERATION ORGANIZATION
(for the Benefit of the Palestinian Authority)

and

INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION
(acting as Administrator of the Trust Fund for Gaza and West Bank)

Dated August 10, 2010

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TRUST FUND GRANT AGREEMENT

AGREEMENT dated August 10, 2010, entered into between: the PALESTINE LIBERATION ORGANIZATION (“Recipient”) (for the benefit of the Palestinian Authority); and the INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION, acting as administrator of the Trust Fund for Gaza and West Bank (“World Bank”), established on October 19, 1993, by Resolution No. 93-11 and IDA 93-7, as amended by Resolution No. 95-6 and IDA 95-3 and Resolution No. 96-11 and IDA 96-7, and as further amended by Resolution No. 99-3 and IDA 99-2 and Resolution No. 03-193 and IDA 03-208 of the Executive Directors of the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development and the International Development Association (“Trust Fund”).

WHEREAS (A) the Board of Governors of the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development and the International Development Association has resolved, on July 10, 2009, to, *inter alia*, replenish the Trust Fund in the amount of fifty five million dollars (\$55,000,000), such amount to be transferred from the surplus of the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development and to be used for financing rehabilitation projects in parts of the Gaza Strip (“Gaza”) and the West Bank (the “West Bank”), which are under the jurisdiction of the Palestinian Authority;

(B) the Palestine Liberation Organization and the Government of the State of Israel have entered, on September 28, 1995, into an agreement which, among other things, sets out certain interim self-government arrangements in Gaza and the West Bank (“Interim Agreement”);

(C) Section 5(b) of Article IX of the Interim Agreement authorizes the Palestine Liberation Organization to conduct negotiations and, in certain cases described thereunder, sign agreements with states and international organizations for the benefit of the Palestinian Authority; and

(D) the Palestinian Authority, on behalf of the Recipient, has requested the World Bank to assist in financing the project described in Schedule 1 to this Grant Agreement (“Project”).

WHEREAS the World Bank has agreed, on the basis, among other things, of the foregoing to extend a grant to the Palestine Liberation Organization, for the benefit of the Palestinian Authority, upon the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement.

The Recipient and the World Bank hereby agree as follows:

Article I
Standard Conditions; Definitions

- 1.01. The Standard Conditions for Grants Made by the World Bank Out of Various Funds, dated July 1, 2008 (“Standard Conditions”), with the modifications set forth in the Appendix to this Agreement, constitute an integral part of this Agreement.
- 1.02. Unless the context requires otherwise, the capitalized terms used in this Agreement have the meanings ascribed to them in the Standard Conditions or in this Agreement.

Article II
The Project

- 2.01. 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 cause the Palestinian Authority to carry out the Project in accordance with the provisions of Article II of the Standard Conditions.
- 2.02. Without limitation upon the provisions of Section 2.01 of this Agreement, and except as the Recipient and the World Bank shall otherwise agree, the Recipient shall ensure that the Project is carried out in accordance with the provisions of Schedule 2 to this Agreement.

Article III
The Grant

- 3.01. The World Bank agrees to extend to the Recipient, on the terms and conditions set forth or referred to in this Agreement, a grant in an amount equal to three million seven hundred thousand United States Dollars (\$3,700,000) (“Grant”) to assist in financing the Project.
- 3.02. The Recipient may withdraw the proceeds of the Grant in accordance with Section IV of Schedule 2 to this Agreement.

Article IV
Additional Remedies

- 4.01. The Additional Event of Suspension referred to in Section 4.02 (k) of the Standard Conditions consists of the following:

Event prior to Effectiveness. The World Bank has determined after the Effective Date referred to in Section 5.03 of this Agreement that prior to such date but after the date of this Agreement, an event has occurred which would have entitled the World Bank to suspend the Recipient's right to make withdrawals from the Grant Account if this Agreement had been effective on the date such event occurred.

Article V
Effectiveness; Termination

- 5.01. This Agreement shall not become effective until evidence satisfactory to the World Bank has been furnished to the World Bank that the conditions specified below have been satisfied in a manner and in form and substance satisfactory to the World Bank:
- (a) The execution and delivery of this Agreement on behalf of the Recipient have been duly authorized or ratified by all necessary governmental and corporate action.
 - (b) The Subsidiary Agreement referred to in Section I.A.1 of Schedule 2 to this Agreement has been executed on behalf of the Recipient and the Palestinian Authority.
- 5.02. As part of the evidence to be furnished pursuant to Section 5.01, there shall be furnished to the World Bank an opinion or opinions satisfactory to the World Bank of counsel acceptable to the World Bank or, if the World Bank so requests, a certificate satisfactory to the World Bank of a competent official of the Recipient, showing the following matters:
- (a) on behalf of the Recipient, that this Agreement has been duly authorized or ratified by, and executed and delivered on its behalf and is legally binding upon it in accordance with its terms; and
 - (b) the Subsidiary Agreement referred to in Section I.A of Schedule 2 to this Agreement has been duly authorized or ratified by the Recipient and the Palestinian Authority and is legally binding upon each such party in accordance with its terms; and
- 5.03. Except as the Recipient and the World Bank shall otherwise agree, this Agreement shall enter into effect on the date upon which the World Bank dispatches to the Recipient notice of its acceptance of the evidence required pursuant to Section 5.01 ("Effective Date"). If, before the Effective Date, any event has occurred which would have entitled the World Bank to suspend the right of the Recipient to make withdrawals from the Grant Account if this Agreement had been effective, the

World Bank may postpone the dispatch of the notice referred to in this Section until such event (or events) has (or have) ceased to exist.

- 5.04. *Termination for Failure to Become Effective.* This Agreement and all obligations of the parties under it shall terminate if it has not entered into effect by the date ninety (90) days after the date of this Agreement, unless the World Bank, after consideration of the reasons for the delay, establishes a later date for the purpose of this Section. The World Bank shall promptly notify the Recipient of such later date.

Article VI
Recipient's Representative; Addresses

- 6.01. The Recipient's Representative referred to in Section 7.02 of the Standard Conditions is the Minister of Finance of the Palestinian Authority.
- 6.02. The Recipient's Address referred to in Section 7.01 of the Standard Conditions is:

Ministry of Finance of the Palestinian Authority
Ramallah
West Bank

Telephone:	Facsimile:
02 978 8846/7/8	02 297 8845

- 6.03. The World Bank's Address referred to in Section 7.01 of the Standard Conditions is:

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

Cable:	Telex:	Facsimile:
INDEVAS Washington, D.C.	248423 (MCI) or 64145 (MCI)	1-202-477-6391

AGREED at the West Bank, as of the day and year first above written.

PALESTINE LIBERATION ORGANIZATION
(for the Benefit of the Palestinian Authority)

By /s/ Salam Fayyad

Authorized Representative

INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION
(acting as Administrator of the Trust Fund for Gaza
and West Bank)

By /s/ Dina Abu Ghaida

Authorized Representative

SCHEDULE 1

Project Description

The objective of the Project is to build the capacity of leading economic and regulatory institutions of the Palestinian Authority, in order to support the implementation of the Palestinian Reform and Development Plan.

The Project consists of the following parts:

Part 1: Capacity Building for the Palestinian Central Bureau for Statistics

- (a) Improving the accuracy, timeliness and coverage of the National Accounts and developing economic models to test data consistency and analyze policy.
- (b) Enhancing the capabilities of the PCBS's newly formed quality control directorate.
- (c) Conducting the first agricultural survey in the West Bank and Gaza.
- (d) Improving the PCBS' ability to produce accurate and timely poverty estimation.

Part 2: Capacity Building for the Palestinian Monetary Authority

- (a) Strengthening the monitoring and the supervision capacity of the Banking Supervision Department of the PMA.
- (b) Strengthening the database and analytical capacity of the Research and Monetary Policy Department of the PMA in order to lay the ground for future improvements in modeling and forecasting economic, financial and monetary activity.
- (c) Preparation of an appropriate legal and regulatory framework and provision of training in order to establish a Deposit Insurance Scheme within the PMA.
- (d) Strengthening the reserve management system of the PMA.

Part 3: Capacity Building for the Palestinian Pensions Authority

- (a) Strengthening the PPA's information technology and communications infrastructure.
- (b) Capacity building in reform options and actuarial analysis.

- (c) Strengthening the strategic planning and corporate governance of the PPA.
- (d) Development of investment policies and procedures and financial management systems.
- (e) Conducting a public information and awareness campaign on retirement income, savings and pensions.
- (f) Review of the mechanisms to extend pension coverage to private sector employees.
- (g) Assessment of the current system of disability pensions, proposing reforms, and estimating the cost of alternatives.

Part 4: Project Management

Strengthening of the MOF and the PCU capacity for Project management, monitoring and evaluation through provision of consulting services, including audit and Training, and financing of Incremental Operating Costs.

SCHEDULE 2**Project Execution****Section I. Institutional and Other Arrangements****A. Subsidiary Agreement**

1. To facilitate the carrying out of the Project, the Recipient shall make the proceeds of the Grant available to the Palestinian Authority under a subsidiary agreement (“Subsidiary Agreement”) between the Recipient and the Palestinian Authority, under terms and conditions approved by the World Bank.
2. The Recipient shall cause the Palestinian Authority: (i) to perform in accordance with the provisions of the Subsidiary Agreement all of the obligations of the Palestinian Authority therein set forth; (ii) to take all action, including the provision of funds, facilities, services and other resources, necessary or appropriate for the carrying out of the Project; and (iii) not to take or permit to be taken any action which would prevent or interfere with the carrying out of the Project.
3. The Recipient shall exercise its rights under the Subsidiary Agreement in such manner as to protect the interests of the Recipient and the World Bank and to accomplish the purposes of the Grant. Except as the World Bank shall otherwise agree, the Recipient shall not assign, amend, abrogate or waive the Subsidiary Agreement or any of its provisions.

B. Institutional Arrangements

1. The Recipient shall, through the Palestinian Authority, cause the MOF to maintain overall responsibility for the Project including adequate compliance with the World Bank’s fiduciary requirements and to carry out Part 1 of the Project through the PCBS, Part 2 of the Project through the PMA and Part 3 of the Project through the PPA, all in accordance with the PIM and the Procurement Plan and shall not amend, suspend, abrogate, repeal or waive any provision of the PIM or the Procurement Plan without prior approval of the World Bank.
2. To assist in the MOF’s performance of the fiduciary functions, the Recipient shall, through the Palestinian Authority, cause the MOF to maintain the PCU in a form and with functions, staffing and resources satisfactory to the World Bank, including specialists in procurement, financial management, and accounting. The PCU shall have responsibility for the fiduciary implementation and management, including procurement and financial management, of the Project, in accordance with the PIM.

C. Anti-Corruption

The Recipient shall ensure that the Project is carried out in accordance with the provisions of the “Guidelines on Preventing and Combating Fraud and Corruption in Projects Financed by IBRD Loans and IDA Credits and Grants”, dated October 15, 2006 (“Anti-Corruption Guidelines”).

Section II. Project Monitoring, Reporting and Evaluation**A. Project Reports; Completion Report**

1. The Recipient, through the Palestinian Authority, shall cause the MOF to monitor and evaluate the progress of the Project and prepare, through the PCU, Project Reports in accordance with the provisions of Section 2.06 of the Standard Conditions and on the basis of indicators agreed with the World Bank. Each Project Report shall cover the period of six (6) months, and shall be furnished to the World Bank not later than forty-five (45) days after the end of the period covered by such report.
2. The Recipient, through the Palestinian Authority, shall cause the MOF to prepare the Completion Report in accordance with the provisions of Section 2.06 of the Standard Conditions. The Completion Report shall be furnished to the World Bank not later than six months after the Closing Date.

B. Financial Management; Financial Reports; Audits

1. The Recipient shall ensure that a financial management system is maintained in accordance with the provisions of Section 2.07 of the Standard Conditions.
2. The Recipient shall ensure that interim unaudited financial reports for the Project are prepared and furnished to the World Bank not later than forty-five (45) days after the end of each calendar quarter, covering the quarter, in form and substance satisfactory to the World Bank.
3. The Recipient shall have its Financial Statements for the Project audited in accordance with the provisions of Section 2.07 (b) of the Standard Conditions. Each such audit of the Financial Statements shall cover the period of one fiscal year of the Recipient. The audited Financial Statements for each such period shall be furnished to the World Bank not later than six months after the end of such period.

Section III. Procurement

A. General

1. **Procurement and Consultant Guidelines.** All goods and services required for the Project and to be financed out of the proceeds of the Grant shall be procured in accordance with the requirements set forth or referred to in:
 - (a) Section I of the “Guidelines: Procurement under IBRD Loans and IDA Credits” published by the World Bank in May 2004 and revised in October 2006 (“Procurement Guidelines”) in the case of goods, and Sections I and IV of the “Guidelines: Selection and Employment of Consultants by World Bank Borrowers” published by the World Bank in May 2004 and revised in October 2006 (“Consultant Guidelines”) in the case of consultants’ services; and
 - (b) the provisions of this Section III , as the same shall be elaborated in the procurement plan prepared and updated from time to time by the Recipient for the Project in accordance with paragraph 1.16 of the Procurement Guidelines and paragraph 1.24 of the Consultant Guidelines (“Procurement Plan”).
2. **Definitions.** The capitalized terms used below in this Section to describe particular procurement methods or methods of review by the World Bank of particular contracts, refer to the corresponding method described in the Procurement Guidelines, or Consultant Guidelines, as the case may be.

B. Particular Methods of Procurement of Goods

1. **National Competitive Bidding.** Except as otherwise provided in paragraph 2 below, goods shall be procured under contracts awarded on the basis of National Competitive Bidding subject to the following additional procedures:
 - (i) public enterprises in parts of the West Bank and Gaza under the jurisdiction of the Palestinian Authority shall be eligible to participate in bidding only if they can establish that they are legally and financially autonomous, operate under commercial law, and are not a dependent agency of the Palestinian Authority;
 - (ii) foreign bidders shall be eligible to participate under the same conditions as local bidders. In particular, no preference over foreign bidders shall be granted to local bidders in bid evaluation;

- (iii) invitations to bid shall be advertised on at least two (2) consecutive days in a local newspaper of wide circulation, and prospective bidders shall be allowed a minimum of thirty (30) days between the date on which the notification appears for the first time and the deadline for bid submission. With the specific approval of the World Bank, this minimum period of 30 days may be reduced to a minimum period of 10 days in the case of emergency operations;
- (iv) until standard bidding documents acceptable to the World Bank have been introduced by the Project Implementing Entity, the standard bidding documents of the World Bank shall be used;
- (v) qualification criteria shall be clearly specified in the bidding documents, and *all* criteria so specified, and *only* criteria so specified, shall be used to determine whether a bidder is qualified. Bids of bidders not meeting such criteria shall be rejected as non-qualified. The fact that a bidder meets or surpasses the specified qualification criteria shall not be taken into account in the evaluation of such bidder's bid;
- (vi) evaluation criteria shall be clearly specified in the bidding documents, and all evaluation criteria other than price shall be quantified in monetary terms. All evaluation criteria so specified, and *only* criteria so specified, shall be used in bid evaluation. Merit points shall not be used in bid evaluation;
- (vii) if classification of contractors is required, contractors that have not yet been classified but meet the required qualifications shall be enabled to obtain the necessary classification during the bidding procedure. Any contractor that has been classified in a class higher than the lowest class shall not be restricted to bidding in his own class but shall be eligible also to bid in any lower class;
- (viii) bids shall be submitted in sealed envelopes and shall be accepted whether mailed or hand-carried;
- (ix) bids shall be opened in the presence of bidders who wish to attend, and immediately after the deadline for bid submission. Said deadline, and the place of bid opening, shall be announced in the invitation to bid. The name of each bidder, and the amount of his bid, shall be read aloud and recorded when opened in the minutes of bid opening. The minutes of bid opening shall

be signed by the members of the bid opening committee immediately after bid opening;

- (x) bids received after the deadline for bid submission shall be returned to the bidders unopened;
- (xi) a bid containing material deviations from or reservations to the terms, conditions and specifications of the bidding documents shall be rejected as not substantially responsive. A bidder shall not be permitted to withdraw material deviations or reservations once bids have been opened;
- (xii) the bid evaluation shall be carried out in strict adherence to the criteria specified in the bidding documents, and the contract shall be awarded to the qualified bidder offering the lowest evaluated and substantially responsive bid;
- (xiii) a bidder shall not be required, as a condition for award, to undertake obligations not specified in the bidding documents or otherwise to modify his bid as originally submitted; and
- (xiv) there shall be no post-bidding negotiations with the lowest or any other bidder.

2. **Other Methods of Procurement of Goods.** The following methods, other than National Competitive Bidding, may be used for procurement of goods for those contracts specified in the Procurement Plan: (a) Shopping; and (d) Direct Contracting.

C. Particular Methods of Procurement of Consultants' Services

1. **Quality- and Cost-based Selection.** Except as otherwise provided in paragraph 2 below, consultants' services shall be procured under contracts awarded on the basis of Quality- and Cost-based Selection.
2. **Other Methods of Procurement of Consultants' Services.** The following methods, other than Quality- and Cost-based Selection, may be used for procurement of consultants' services for those assignments which are specified in the Procurement Plan: (a) Quality-based Selection; (b) Least Cost Selection; (c) Selection based on Consultants' Qualifications; (d) Single-source Selection; (e) Selection of Individual Consultants, including selection on sole source basis subject to proper justification.

D. Procurement of Incremental Operating Costs

Expenditures included in the Incremental Operating Costs category can be procured in accordance with the established Recipient's administrative procedures acceptable to the World Bank.

E. Review by the World Bank of Procurement Decisions

The Procurement Plan shall set forth those contracts which shall be subject to the World Bank's Prior Review. All other contracts shall be subject to Post Review by the World Bank.

Section IV. Withdrawal of Grant Proceeds**A. General**

1. The Recipient may withdraw the proceeds of the Grant in accordance with the provisions of: (a) Article III of the Standard Conditions; (b) this Section; and (c) such additional instructions as the World Bank may specify by notice to the Recipient (including the "World Bank Disbursement Guidelines for Projects" dated May 2006, as revised from time to time by the World Bank and as made applicable to this Agreement pursuant to such instructions), to finance Eligible Expenditures as set forth in the table in paragraph 2 below.
2. The following table specifies the categories of Eligible Expenditures that may be financed out of the proceeds of the Grant ("Category"), the allocations of the amounts of the Grant to each Category, and the percentage of expenditures to be financed for Eligible Expenditures in each Category:

Category	Amount of the Grant Allocated (expressed in USD)	Percentage of Expenditures to be Financed
(1) Goods, consultants' services and Training under the Project	2,707,500	100%
(2) Incremental Operating Costs		
(a) Incurred by the PCU	30,000	100%
(b) Incurred on account of agricultural survey under Part 1 (c) of the Project	962,500	100%
TOTAL AMOUNT	3,700,000	

B. Withdrawal Conditions; Withdrawal Period

1. Notwithstanding the provisions of Part A of this Section no withdrawal shall be made for payments made prior to the date of this Agreement.
2. The Closing Date referred to in Section 3.06 (c) of the Standard Conditions is June 30, 2014.

APPENDIX**Section I: Definitions**

1. “Anti-Corruption Guidelines” means the “Guidelines on Preventing and Combating Fraud and Corruption in Projects Financed by IBRD Loans and IDA Credits and Grants”, dated October 15, 2006.
2. “Incremental Operating Costs” means incremental operating costs incurred (i) by the PCU on account of Project implementation, management and monitoring, including office maintenance, office supplies and utilities, translation and interpretation, printing and advertising, communication costs, costs associated with the production of bidding documents, commercial bank charges, transportation and travel; (ii) on account of conducting the agricultural survey under Part 1 (c) of the Project, including salaries and other expenses of field enumerators, crew leaders, and field work supervisors; and (iii) any other miscellaneous costs under sub-paragraphs (i) and (ii) above directly associated with the Project implementation all based on periodic budgets acceptable to the World Bank.
3. “Ministry of Finance” or “MOF” means the Ministry of Finance of the Palestinian Authority or any successor thereto.
4. “PCBS” means the Palestinian Central Bureau for Statistics or any successor thereto.
5. “PCU” or “Project Coordination Unit” means the project coordination unit within the MOF and referred to in paragraph 2 of Part B of Section I of Schedule 2 to this Agreement.
6. “PMA” means the Palestinian Monetary Authority or any successor thereto.
7. “PPA” means the Palestinian Pensions Authority or any successor thereto.
8. “Procurement Plan” means the Recipient’s procurement plan for the Project, dated May 5, 2010, and referred to in paragraph 1.16 of the Procurement Guidelines and paragraph 1.24 of the Consultant Guidelines, as the same shall be updated from time to time in accordance with the provisions of those paragraphs.
9. “Project Implementation Manual” or “PIM” means the manual adopted jointly by the MOF, PCBS, PMA and PPA and referred to in paragraph 1 of Part B of Section I of Schedule 2 to this Agreement, satisfactory to the World Bank, and setting forth the fiduciary, technical and operational aspects and procedures for implementation of the Project, including the financial management procedures (budgeting, accounting and internal control, disbursement and flow of funds,

financial reporting, annual reports, internal and external audit arrangements), procurement procedures and other fiduciary and administrative arrangements, as well as institutional arrangements, consistent with the provisions of this Agreement and applicable laws and regulations, as the same may be amended from time to time upon approval by the World Bank.

10. “Subsidiary Agreement” means the agreement referred to in paragraph 1 of Part A of Section I of Schedule 2 to this Agreement pursuant to which the Recipient shall make the proceeds of the Grant available to the Palestinian Authority.
11. “Training” means Project related study tours, training courses, seminars, workshops and other training activities, not included under service providers’ contracts, including costs of training materials, space and equipment rental, travel, accommodation and per diem costs of trainees and trainers, trainers’ fees, and other training related miscellaneous costs.

Section II: Modifications to the Standard Conditions

The Standard Conditions are modified as follows:

1. Section 2.09 is amended to read as follows:

“Section 2.09. *Visits*. The Recipient shall, throughout the implementation of the Project and for a period of ten (10) years thereafter:

(a) enable representatives of the World Bank to visit any part of the West Bank and Gaza under the jurisdiction of the Palestinian Authority for purposes related to the Grant; and

(b) enable the World Bank’s representatives: (i) to visit any facilities and sites included in the Project; and (ii) to examine the goods financed out of the proceeds of the Grant, and any documents relevant to the performance of its obligations under the Grant Agreement.”

2. Sub-section (a) of Section 3.07 is amended to read as follows:

“Section 3.07. *Financing Taxes*.

(a) The Grant Agreement may specify that the proceeds of the Grant may not be withdrawn to pay for Taxes levied by, or in the parts of West Bank and Gaza under the jurisdiction of the Palestinian Authority on or in respect of Eligible Expenditures, or on their importation, manufacture, procurement or supply. In such case, if the amount of any such Taxes decreases or increases, the World Bank may, by notice to the Recipient, adjust the percentage of such Eligible Expenditures to be financed out of

the proceeds of the Grant specified in the Grant Agreement, as required to ensure consistency with such limitation on withdrawals.”

3. Sub-sections (a) and (h) of Section 4.02 are deleted, and consequently, Sub-sections (b) through (k) are re-lettered as Sub-sections (a) through (i).

4. Re-lettered Sub-section (b) of Section 4.02 is amended to read as follows:

“(b) *Fraud and Corruption.* At any time, the World Bank determines that any representative of the Recipient (or any agency thereof or any entity in the West Bank and Gaza under the jurisdiction of the Palestinian Authority, or any other recipient of any of the proceeds of the Grant) has engaged in corrupt, fraudulent, coercive or collusive practices in connection with the use of the proceeds of the Grant, without the Recipient (or any such agency thereof or any such entity in the West Bank and Gaza under the jurisdiction of the Palestinian Authority or any other such recipient) having taken timely and appropriate action satisfactory to the World Bank to address such practices when they occur.”

5. Re-lettered Sub-section (c) of Section 4.02 is amended to read as follows:

“(c) *Cross Suspension.* IBRD or IDA has suspended in whole or in part the right of the Recipient or any agency thereof, or any entity in the West Bank and Gaza under the jurisdiction of the Palestinian Authority, to make withdrawals under any agreement with IBRD or with IDA because of a failure by the Recipient, or any agency thereof, or any entity in the West Bank and Gaza under the jurisdiction of the Palestinian Authority, to perform any of its obligations under such agreement or any other agreement with IBRD or IDA.”

6. Re-lettered Sub-section (f) of Section 4.02 is amended to read as follows:

“(f) *Assignment of Obligations; Disposition of Assets.* The Recipient or any other entity responsible for implementing any part of the Project has, without the consent of the World Bank: (i) assigned or transferred, in whole or in part, any of its obligations arising under or entered into pursuant to the Grant Agreement; or (ii) sold, leased, transferred, assigned, or otherwise disposed of any property or assets financed wholly or in part out of the proceeds of the Grant; provided, however, that the provisions of this paragraph shall not apply with respect to transactions in the ordinary course of business which, in the opinion of the World Bank: (A) do not materially and adversely affect the ability of the Recipient (or such other entity) to perform any of its obligations arising under or entered into pursuant to the Grant Agreement or to achieve the objectives of the Project; and (B) do not materially and adversely affect the financial condition or operation of the Recipient (or such other entity).”

7. Re-lettered Sub-section (g) of Section 4.02 is amended to read as follows:

“(g) *Condition of Recipient.* If the Grant has been made to a Recipient which is not a member of IBRD:

- (i) Any action has been taken for the dissolution, disestablishment or suspension of operations of the Recipient (or of any other entity responsible for implementing any part of the Project).
- (ii) The Recipient (or any other entity responsible for implementing any part of the Project) has ceased to exist in the same legal form as that prevailing as of the date of the Grant Agreement.
- (iii) In the opinion of the World Bank, the legal character, ownership or control of the Recipient (or any other entity responsible for implementing any part of the Project) has changed from that prevailing as of the date of the Grant Agreement so as to materially and adversely affect the ability of the Recipient (or such other entity) to perform any of its obligations arising under or entered into pursuant to the Grant Agreement, or to achieve the objectives of the Project.”

8. Re-lettered Sub-section (h) of Section 4.02 is amended to read as follows:

“(h) *Ineligibility.* IBRD or IDA has declared the Recipient ineligible to receive proceeds of any financing made by IBRD or IDA or otherwise to participate in the preparation or implementation of any project financed in whole or in part by IBRD or IDA (including as administrator of funds provided by another financier), as a result of a determination by IBRD or IDA that the Recipient has engaged in fraudulent, corrupt, coercive or collusive practices in connection with the use of the proceeds of any financing made by IBRD or IDA.”

9. Sub-section (c) of Section 4.03 is amended to read as follows:

“(c) *Fraud and Corruption.* At any time, the World Bank determines, with respect to any amount of the proceeds of the Grant, that corrupt, fraudulent, collusive or coercive practices were engaged in by representatives of the Recipient (or any agency thereof or any entity in the West Bank and Gaza under the jurisdiction of the Palestinian Authority, or any other recipient of the proceeds of the Grant) without the Recipient (or any such agency thereof or any such entity in the West Bank and Gaza under the jurisdiction of the Palestinian Authority, or any such other recipient of the proceeds of the Grant) having taken timely and appropriate action satisfactory to the World Bank to address such practices when they occur.”

10. Sub-section (a) of Section 4.05 is amended to read as follows:

“(a) If the World Bank determines that an amount of the Grant has been used in a manner inconsistent with the provisions of the Grant Agreement or these Standard Conditions, the Recipient shall, upon notice by the World Bank to the Recipient, promptly refund such amount to the World Bank. Such inconsistent use shall include, without limitation:

- (i) use of such amount to make a payment for an expenditure that is not an Eligible Expenditure; or
- (ii) (A) engaging in corrupt, fraudulent, collusive or coercive practices in connection with the use of such amount, or (B) use of such amount to finance a contract during the procurement or execution of which such practices were engaged in by representatives of the Recipient (or any agency thereof or any entity in the West Bank and Gaza under the jurisdiction of the Palestinian Authority, or other recipient of such amount of the Grant), in either case without the Recipient (or such agency thereof or such entity in the West Bank and Gaza under the jurisdiction of the Palestinian Authority, or other such recipient) having taken timely and appropriate action satisfactory to the World Bank to address such practices when they occur.”

11. Sub-section (j) of Section 5.03 is amended to read as follows:

“(j) If, within thirty (30) days after counterparts of the award have been delivered to the parties, the award has not been complied with, any party may: (i) enter judgment upon, or institute a proceeding to enforce, the award in any court of competent jurisdiction against any other party; (ii) enforce such judgment by execution; or (iii) pursue any other appropriate remedy against such other party for the enforcement of the award and the provisions of the Grant Agreement. Notwithstanding the foregoing, this Section shall not authorize any entry of judgment or enforcement of the award against the Recipient except as such procedure may be available otherwise than by reason of the provisions of this Section.”

12. Paragraph (17) of the Appendix is deleted and, consequently, paragraphs (18) through (26) are re-numbered as paragraphs (17) through (25).