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**Re: Grant No. TF0C0143**  
**Strengthening Primary education system Program**  
**Additional Instructions: Disbursement and Financial Information Letter.**

Excellency:

I refer to the Grant Agreement (“Agreement”) between Republic of Cote d’Ivoire (“Recipient”) and the International Development Association (“Bank”), acting as administrator of Global Partnership for Education Fund, for the above-referenced Program. The Standard Conditions, as defined in the Grant Agreement, provide that the Recipient may from time to time request withdrawals of Grant amounts from the Grant TF0C0143 (“Grant”) in accordance with the Disbursement and Financial Information Letter (“DFIL”), and such additional instructions as the Bank may specify from time to time by notice to the Recipient. The Standard Conditions also provide that the Disbursement and Financial Information Letter may set out Program specific financial reporting requirements. This letter constitutes such Disbursement and Financial Information Letter and may be revised from time to time.

**I. Disbursement Arrangements, Withdrawal of Grant Funds, and Reporting of Uses of Grant Funds**

***(i) Schedule 1.***

The table in Schedule 1 sets out the disbursement methods which may be used by the Recipient, information on registration of authorized signatures, processing of withdrawal applications, and instructions on documentation and reporting of advances.

***(ii) Withdrawal Applications (Electronic Delivery) <sup>1</sup>***

The Recipient will deliver Withdrawal Applications (with supporting documents, “Applications”) electronically through the Bank’s web-based portal “Client Connection” at <https://clientconnection.worldbank.org>. This option will be effected after the officials designated in writing by the Recipient who are authorized to sign and deliver Applications have registered as users of “Client Connection.” The designated officials will deliver Applications electronically by completing Form 2380, which is accessible through “Client Connection.” By signing the Authorized Signatory Letter, the Recipient confirms that it is authorizing such persons to accept Secure Identification Credentials (SIDC) and to deliver the Applications and supporting documents to the Bank by electronic means. The Recipient may exercise the option of preparing and delivering Applications in paper form on exceptional cases (including those where the Recipient encounters legal limitations) and which were previously agreed with

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<sup>1</sup> Section 10.01 (c) of the General Conditions

the Bank. By designating officials to use SIDC and by choosing to deliver the Applications electronically, the Recipient confirms through the Authorized Signatory Letter its agreement to (a) abide by the Terms and Conditions of Use of Secure Identification Credentials in connection with Use of Electronic Means to Process Applications and Supporting Documentation, available in the Bank's public website at <https://www.worldbank.org> and "Client Connection" at <https://clientconnection.worldbank.org>; and (b) to cause such officials to abide by those terms and conditions.

***(iii) Disbursement Linked Results (DLRs)***

The Recipient will deliver applications of amounts of the Grant allocated to individual Disbursement Linked Results ("DLRs") may, pursuant to the provisions of Section IV.A.2 of Schedule 2 of the Grant Agreement, be submitted to the Association at any time after the Association has notified the Recipient in writing that it has accepted evidence of achievement of the specific DLRs.

***(iv) Withdrawal Amount for the Program***

The Applications may be for an amount not to exceed the amount of the Grant confirmed by the Bank for the specific DLRs in respect of which the withdrawal is requested, as specified in the Bank's notice to the Recipient.

**II. Financial Reports and Audits <sup>1</sup>**

***(i) Financial Reports***

The Recipient must prepare and furnish to the Bank not later than forty-five (45) days after the end of each calendar semester, interim unaudited financial reports ("IFR") for the Program covering the semester.

***(ii) Audits***

Each audit of the Financial Statements shall cover the period of one (1) fiscal year of the Recipient, commencing with the fiscal year in which the first withdrawal was made. The audited Financial Statements for each such period shall be furnished to the Bank not later than six (6) months after the end of such period.


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<sup>1</sup> Section 5.09 of the General Conditions

### III. Other Important Information

For additional information on disbursement arrangements, please refer to the Loan Handbook available on the Bank's public website at <https://www.worldbank.org> and "Client Connection" at <https://clientconnection.worldbank.org> the Association recommends that you register as a user of "Client Connection." From this website, you will be able to prepare and deliver Authorized Signatory Letters and Withdrawal Applications, monitor the near real-time status of the Grant, and retrieve related policy, financial, and procurement information. For more information about the website and registration arrangements, or if you have any queries in relation to the above, please contact the Bank by email at [askloans@worldbank.org](mailto:askloans@worldbank.org) using the above reference.

Yours sincerely,



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#### Attachments

1. Sample Form for Advances

**Schedule 1: Disbursement Provisions**

Basic Information			
<b>Grant</b>	<b>TF0C0143</b>	<b>Country Recipient</b>	<b>Closing Date</b>
		Republic of Cote d'Ivoire Republic of Cote d'Ivoire	Section IV.B.3 of Schedule 2 to the Grant Agreement.
		<b>Name of the Program</b>	<b>Disbursement Deadline Date</b>
		Strengthening Primary Education System Program	Six (6) months after the closing date.
Disbursement Methods and Supporting Documentation			
<b>Disbursement Methods</b>		<b>Supporting Documentation</b>	
<b>Methods</b>			
Reimbursement (DLI payment for achieved results)	Yes	Confirmation issued by the World Bank	
Authorized Signatures and Withdrawal and Documentation Applications			
<p><b>(i) Authorized Signatures (subsection 3.1).</b> Applications for this Financing will be signed by the official(s) designated in the Standing Authorization Letter and authorized to sign Withdrawal Applications, including by electronic means, for all Cote d'Ivoire projects.</p>		<p><b>(ii) Applications (subsections 3.2 - 3.3).</b> All Withdrawal Applications and their supporting documentation shall be electronically submitted via the Association's web-based Portal "Client Connection".</p>	
Additional Information			
All withdrawals from the Financing Account shall be deposited by the Association into an account specified by the Recipient at the Central Bank (BCEAO).			