GRANT NUMBER E2400-TD

Financing Agreement

(Sub-Saharan Africa Women's Empowerment and Demographic Dividend Plus Project (SWEDD+))

between

REPUBLIC OF CHAD

and

INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION

GRANT NUMBER E2400-TD

FINANCING AGREEMENT

AGREEMENT dated as of the Signature Date between REPUBLIC OF CHAD ("Recipient") and INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION ("Association").

WHEREAS:

- A. the Participating Countries, including the Recipient, along with the regional organizations including, the Economic Community of Central African States (ECCAS) and the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS), have all agreed to participate in the Sub-Saharan Africa Women's Empowerment and Demographic Dividend Plus Project;
- B. the Recipient, having satisfied itself as to the feasibility and priority of the Project, has requested the Association to assist in the financing of the Project;
- C. by financing agreements to be entered into on or about the date hereof between Burkina Faso, Republic of Congo, Republic of Senegal, Republic of Togo, The Gambia (together, "Participating Countries") and the Association, the Association will extend to each Participating Country financing to assist such Participating Country in financing the cost of activities related to the Project, on the terms and conditions set forth in a financing agreement between each Participating Country and the Association; and
- D. by financing agreement to be entered into on or about the date hereof between ECCAS and the Association (the "ECCAS Financing Agreement"), and a financing agreement to be entered into on or about the date hereof between ECOWAS and the Association (the "ECOWAS Financing Agreement"), the Association will extend, respectively, to ECCAS, and to ECOWAS, financing to assist ECCAS, and ECOWAS, in financing the cost of activities related to the Project, on the terms and conditions set forth in the ECCAS Financing Agreement, and the ECOWAS Financing Agreement, respectively.

THEREFORE, the Recipient and the Association hereby agree as follows:

ARTICLE I — GENERAL CONDITIONS; DEFINITIONS

- 1.01. The General Conditions (as defined in the Appendix to this Agreement) apply to and form 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 General Conditions or in the Appendix to this Agreement.

ARTICLE II — FINANCING

- 2.01. The Association agrees to extend to the Recipient a grant, which is deemed as Concessional Financing for purposes of the General Conditions, in an amount equivalent to sixty-one million five hundred thousand Special Drawing Rights (SDR 61,500,000) ("Financing"), to assist in financing the project described in Schedule 1 to this Agreement ("Project").
- 2.02. The Recipient may withdraw the proceeds of the Financing in accordance with Section III of Schedule 2 to this Agreement.
- 2.03. The Maximum Commitment Charge Rate is one-half of one percent (1/2 of 1%) per annum on the Unwithdrawn Financing Balance.
- 2.04. The Payment Dates are January 15 and July 15 in each year.
- 2.05. The Payment Currency is Euro.

ARTICLE III — PROJECT

3.01. The Recipient declares its commitment to the objective of the Project. To this end, the Recipient shall carry out the Project in accordance with the provisions of Article V of the General Conditions and Schedule 2 to this Agreement.

ARTICLE IV — EFFECTIVENESS; TERMINATION

- 4.01. The Additional Conditions of Effectiveness consist of the following:
 - (a) The Recipient has prepared and adopted a Project Operations Manual, in form and substance satisfactory to the Association.
 - (b) The Recipient has recruited or appointed to the Project Implementation Unit, an additional procurement specialist, in accordance with the provisions of the Procurement Regulations.
- 4.02. The Effectiveness Deadline is the date one hundred twenty (120) days after the Signature Date.
- 4.03. For purposes of Section 10.05(b) of the General Conditions, the date on which the obligations of the Recipient under this Agreement (other than those providing for payment obligations) shall terminate is twenty (20) years after the Signature Date.

ARTICLE V — REPRESENTATIVE; ADDRESSES

5.01. The Recipient's Representative is its minister responsible for economic forecasting and international partnerships.

- 5.02. For purposes of Section 11.01 of the General Conditions:
 - (a) the Recipient's address is:

Ministry of Economic Forecasting and International Partnerships B.P. 286

N'Djamena, Republic of Chad

and;

(b) the Recipient's Electronic Address is:

Facsimile:

(235) 22 51 51 85 (235) 22 52 00 87

- 5.03. For purposes of Section 11.01 of the General Conditions:
 - (a) the Association's address is:

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

(b) the Association's Electronic Address is:

Telex: Facsimile:

248423 (MCI) 1-202-477-6391

AGREED as of the Signature Date.

REPUBLIC OF CHAD

Ву		No		
	Authorized Representative			
	Name:	Moussa Batraki		
	Title:	Minister in charge of Economy		
	Date: _	22-Nov-2023		

INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION

By			
	Boutheina Gurmazi		
	Authorized Representative		
	Name: Boutheina Guermazi		
	Title: Director, Regional Integration		
	Date: 22-Nov-2023		

SCHEDULE 1

Project Description

The objective of the Project is to increase girls' and women's access to learning, economic opportunities, and utilization of health services, and to strengthen the region-wide institutional capacity for gender equality.

Part A. Design and Implement Gender Transformative Interventions that Promote Girls' and Women's Social and Economic Autonomy

Improving social and behavioral change through a combination of regional-wide campaign involving regional influencers, and community-based interventions, in particular:

- 1. Conducting social and behavior change communication campaigns at the community and societal levels to support an enabling environment for gender equality and to promote a commitment of women and girls, men and boys to shared responsibility, for protection of rights of adolescent girls, and young women, including: (a) community mobilization to influence behaviors and mindsets, address harmful social norms, attitudes, and practices; (b) regional multimedia campaign targeted at improving girls' schooling (distance education, girls' return to school), health (family planning, menstrual hygiene, access to water and sanitation), and prevention of gender-based violence (GBV) and harmful social practices such as child marriage, female genital mutilation/cutting (FGM/C), and domestic violence; (c) strengthening communication outreach to fully engage policy makers, religious and community leaders, media practitioners, as well as communities and other stakeholders; and (d) conducting outreach campaigns focusing on climate awareness to build population adaptative capacity.
- 1.1 <u>In Chad</u>, updating the *Karima*-SWEDD platform for empowering women and adolescent girls through media exposure, and enhancing mass awareness, communication, and community awareness interventions.
- 2. Carrying out a program of activities to improve life skills and sexual and reproductive health of adolescents, drawing from a menu of selected regional activities, including: (a) safe spaces set up in schools or in the community for both girls and boys; (b) safe spaces for in school and out-of-school girls to build life skills; and (c) boys' and/or future husbands clubs to improve gender relations and build healthier gender dynamics.
- 2.1 <u>In Chad</u>, carrying out a program consisting of the following selected activities, including: (i) strengthening the existing safe spaces for girls and creating new ones where necessary; (ii) establishing clubs of husbands and future husbands to improve attitudes and behaviors conducive to the well-being of women and young girls; and (iii) conducting cross border community campaigns on GBV prevention,

and social behavior changes along the common border of the Recipient and the Republic of Cameroon.

- 3. Carrying out a program of activities to keep girls in school through at least secondary level to delay marriage and early childbearing, drawing from a menu of selected regional activities, including: (a) the provision of school vouchers, conditional cash transfers, payment of school fees, uniforms and supplies to reduce the economic cost of girls staying in school; and (b) ensuring safe transportation options for girls to/from school.
- 3.1 <u>In Chad</u>, carrying out a program of selected activities to improve girls' access to education and their retention at secondary school level, including: (i) providing support for in-school girls consisting of tuition and school fees, acquisition and distribution of school kits, uniforms, school supplies, menstrual hygiene management, and related hygiene supplies; (ii) sensitizing community, traditional and religious leaders as part of a campaign aimed at creating an enabling environment for in-school girls, and increasing enrolment of girls in schools; (iii) facilitating distance learning education for girls, including the acquisition and distribution of requisite materials and tools to those enrolled for virtual learning; (iv) promoting gender-sensitive methods of teaching and extra-curricular activities; and (v) providing technical assistance to facilitate institutional coordination among relevant ministries, departments and agencies (MDAs).
- 4. Carrying out a program of economic and financial inclusion activities to increase agency and opportunities for in school and out-of-school adolescent girls and young women, drawing from a menu of selected regional activities, including: (a) vocational, entrepreneurial, business, and financial literacy training; (b) combining economic opportunities with life skills; (c) setting up community childcare centers; (d) income generating activities for out-of-school girls; and (e) facilitating access to finance through existing or new savings groups/associations and related initiatives.
- 4.1 <u>In Chad</u>, carrying out a program of selected activities to strengthen the capacity of eligible out-of-school adolescent girls pursuant to minimum employment age requirements and health and safety requirements under the ESF and under the local labor and employments laws, and young women to engage in income generating activities and improve their standards of life, including: (i) establishing women's groups/organizations, and strengthening existing women groups/organizations;; (ii) improving access to financial services in urban and rural areas; (iii) improving productivity of women organizations in the farming communities, including development of climate friendly hydro-agricultural facilities; (iv) strengthening the capacity of, and provision of training in strategy and business plan development, and financial management to community/village development committees, which have women representatives, and creating such new committees where there are none; and (v) building the capacity of women engaged in agricultural income

generating activities to implement community level nutrition and to address malnutrition among children in the community and at school.

- 5. Strengthening GBV prevention and response actions, including: (a) improving care for GBV survivors; (b) supporting socio-economic reintegration of GBV survivors; (c) improving the GBV information management mechanism; and (d) strengthening policy, legal and institutional frameworks related to GBV and harmful practices through sensitization campaigns for the adoption of policies and laws that enable gender equality.
- 5.1 In Chad, carrying out a program of selected activities to strengthen GBV, SEA/SH prevention and response actions, including: (i) establishing multifunctional centers (one-stop centers) to provide health, psychosocial and other required care for GBV survivors; (ii) collecting data on GBV to ensure real-time reporting; and (iii) updating the national GBV strategy, including the related decentralized GBV strategies; and (iv) promoting socio-professional integration of girls, creating multifunctional facilities for women and young girls, and provision of relevant professional training to girls and young women.

Part B. Improve the availability of Reproductive, Maternal, Newborn, Child and Adolescent Health and Nutrition (RMNCAHN) Services and Number of Qualified Health Workers at the Community Level

Building the capacity of midwives and other community health providers at the community levels to strengthen quality and delivery of RMNCAHN services to adolescents in target communities, in particular:

- 1. Enhancing uptake of contraceptives especially by adolescents at the community level, including improved coordination with existing suppliers and agencies working to scale up community-based distribution of contraceptive commodities, including: (a) mobile offers of sexual and reproductive health services; (b) provision of training and/or upskilling of community health workers to provide extended and improved integrated RMNCAHN services to adolescents; (c) providing health facilities and youth community centers with supplies of modern contraceptives to expand reach at the community level.
- In Chad, carrying out a program of selected activities consisting of: (i) promoting the use of reproductive health products, including advocacy and sensitization on the use of modern contraceptives by young women and adolescent girls; (ii) the creation of listening centers for counseling of young girls and adolescents on contraception, HIV/AIDs and other related sexually transmitted diseases and referral to appropriate health care services; and (iii) strengthening the capacity of community health workers for delivery of quality essential health services to communities.

- 2. Enhancing performance of the pharmaceutical supply chain last-mile delivery and strengthening national health systems to ensure continuous supply of sexual and reproductive health (SRH) products in rural, isolated, and cross-border areas, including: (a) provision of training to health workers on the sound management of obsolete and unwanted pharmaceuticals, and best practices for management of pharmaceutical supplies, SRH products and contraceptives; and (b) strengthening information systems for the management of pharmaceuticals and equipment of health product stock facilities and health centers, *inter alia*, potential procurement of medical, laboratory or office equipment.
- 2.1 <u>In Chad</u>, strengthening the storage and distribution of medical supplies, including: (i) acquisition of equipment and improvement of transportation to facilitate the last-mile delivery of medical supplies; (ii) strengthening the institutional capacity for quality control of drugs and pharmaceutical supplies throughout the supply chain, storage and distribution of quality reproductive health products to the last mile; and (iii) strengthening the capacity of National Laboratory for Drugs Quality Assurance (NLDQA) to accelerate its institutionalization into the public service system.
- 3. Improving availability and capacity of health workers providing RMNCAHN services in underserved rural/isolated areas and increasing collaboration and knowledge sharing between health workers across borders, including (a) enhancing recruitment, training, and deployment of health workers, particularly midwives to rural areas; (b) initiating a regional dialogue on the rural pipeline of health workers, including a situational analysis of the rural pipeline, and workshops; and (c) establishing three regional centers of excellence to train midwives.
- 3.1 <u>In Chad</u>, strengthening health training institutions to improve availability of highly trained midwives and other personnel in the delivery of RMNCAH services, including: (i) building human resource capacity of selected schools, which train the state registered midwives, and other personnel involved in psycho-pedagogy, neo-natal obstetric care, family planning, refocused pre-natal consultation, and related services; (ii) strengthening the capacity of targeted internship supervisors and managers; (iii) strengthening the capacity of enrolled students of the state registered midwives diploma, including the provision of a stipend to said students, and acquisition of equipment; (iv) upgrading state registered midwives diploma students internship sites in N'djamena and the provinces up to standards; (v) provision of training to targeted reproductive health, health service management, mentoring, biomedical engineering trainers; and (vi) strengthening the accreditation process of identified midwifery training schools.

Part C. Foster Regional and National Commitment and Capacity for Policy Making on Gender Equality, and Project Management

Strengthening capacity for advocacy and political commitment for policy making, and monitoring and evaluation related to the demographic dividend and gender issues, in particular:

- 1. Strengthen advocacy, legal frameworks, and political commitment on girls' and women's reproductive health rights at continental, regional and national levels, including: (a) improving existing laws; (b) building the capacity of key stakeholders in legal and judicial sector on rights of girls and women; (c) fostering community-based dissemination of rights, and community dialogue to dispel myths of conflict between state law and religious or customary practice; (d) engaging the regional platform of lawyers to assess the Participating Countries legal environment for, *inter alia*, protection of girls' education, health, and prevention of GBV; (e) conducting workshops and training for imams, female and other religious leaders across West and Central Africa region; and (f) enhancing regional collaboration on laws to address cross-border female genital mutilation/cutting (FGM/C) and child marriage.
- 1.1 <u>In Chad</u>, improving the legal framework and policies on empowerment of girls and women including: (a) enhancing the administrative, traditional and religious authorities' understanding of Project focus; (b) strengthening sensitization campaigns, and political commitment to demographic dividend at regional and national level; (c) strengthening networks of parliamentarians, youth and women's platforms, religious, traditional leaders, and civil society on gender demographic dividend; (d) undertaking advocacy for promoting gender and demographic dividend, and gender responsive budgeting; and (e) provision of technical assistance to build the capacity of relevant ministries, departments and agencies (MDAs).
- 2. Strengthening the capacity of Demographic Dividend Observatories (DDOs) for research and informing policy makers to incorporate gender and demographic dividend in national and regional development planning and budgeting and monitoring and evaluation related to demographic dividend and gender issue.
- 2.1 <u>In Chad,</u> building the institutional capacity for monitoring and evaluation of policies sensitive to the capture of the demographic dividend, including: (a) developing and disseminating decision-making documents to take into account gender and demographic dividend capture; (b) developing and updating the country's gender profile, and the National Gender Policy (NGP); (c) monitoring and implementation of multisectoral action plan based on the NGP at the local level; and (d) strengthening institutional and operational capacity of the National Demographic Dividend Observatory (NDDO), including facilitating the institutionalization of NDDO into the public service system.

3. Strengthen the capacity of the (a) Project Implementation Unit for Project management, implementation and coordination at the regional and national levels, including conducting studies, building the monitoring and evaluation capacity, fiduciary aspects (*i.e.*, procurement and financial management), environmental and social framework compliance (including addressing GBV-related risks associated with the deployment of minor infrastructure and civil works, including stakeholder consultation, a robust grievance redress mechanism, and development of site-specific assessments and plans); and (b) the Ministry of National Education and Civic Promotion (MNECP), Ministry of Gender and National Solidarity (MGNS), Ministry of Public Health and Prevention (MPHP), and Ministry of Youth, Sports, Leisure and Entrepreneurial Leadership (MYSLEL) for related support to Project implementation, all through the acquisition of goods, provision of technical advisory services, training, and operating costs.

SCHEDULE 2

Project Execution

Section I. Implementation Arrangements

A. Institutional Arrangements.

National Level

1. National Steering Committee

- (a) The Recipient shall maintain a National Steering Committee, with composition and mandate, acceptable to the Association.
- (b) Without limitation to the provisions of paragraph immediately above, the National Steering Committee shall be responsible for, *inter alia*, overall strategic oversight, ensuring consistency and support for the multi-sectoral Project activities, providing guidance on Project implementation, and reviewing and approving annual work plans and budgets.

2. **Project Implementation Unit ("PIU")**

- (a) The Recipient shall, at all times during Project implementation, maintain a PIU, with a mandate, composition and resources, acceptable to the Association.
- (b) Without limitation to the provisions of paragraph (a) immediately above, the PIU shall be responsible for the day-to-day management and implementation of the Project, coordination and communication of Project activities, social and environmental management, fiduciary aspects (i.e., procurement and financial management, including accounting, financial and technical reports), monitoring and evaluation, ensuring the auditing of the accounts, preparing annual work plans and budgets, submitting Project progress reports to the National Steering Committee every six calendar months, and providing secretariat services to the National Steering Committee.
- (c) Without limitation to the provisions of paragraph (a) above, the Recipient, shall at all times during the Project implementation ensure that the PIU is adequately staffed, in particular: (i) a Project coordinator; (ii) a procurement specialist; (iii) a financial management specialist; (iv); an accountant; and (v) a monitoring and evaluation specialist, all recruited on the basis of terms of reference, qualifications, and experience, acceptable to the Association.

(d) Without limitation to the provisions of paragraph (c) immediately above, no later than three (3) months after the Effective Date, the Recipient shall recruit and thereafter maintain during Project implementation: (i) an internal auditor; (ii) a gender-based violence specialist; (iii) a social specialist; and (iv) an environmental specialist, all with terms of reference, integrity, qualifications, and experience acceptable to the Association.

3. **Regional Steering Committee**

- (a) Without limitation upon the provisions of Section I.A.1 of this Schedule, the Recipient shall, at all times during the implementation of the Project, maintain high level representation and active participation in the Regional Steering Committee and semi-annual meetings, as detailed in the Project Operations Manual.
- (b) Without limitation upon the provisions of Section I.A.3(a) immediately above, the Regional Steering Committee shall be responsible for, *inter alia*, providing strategic regional guidance and oversight of Project, and coordination of the regional program with relevant regional initiatives.

B. Project Operations Manual

- 1. The Recipient shall carry out the Project in accordance with the Project operations manual, satisfactory to the Association. Said Project operations manual, consisting of arrangements and procedures for the implementation of the Project, including: (a) capacity building activities for sustained achievement of the Project's objective; (b) procurement, financial management (including audit, administrative, accounting and financial management procedures) and disbursement arrangements; (c) institutional administration, coordination and day-to-day execution of Project activities; (d) monitoring, evaluation, reporting, information, education and communication arrangements of Project activities; (e) the modalities for handling personal data (i.e., updating personal data collection and processing) in accordance with good international practice; (f) details on approach to operational security including: protocols for assessments of local implementation permissiveness, preparation of site-specific approaches to implement in a secure manner including respective fiduciary and environmental and social requirements of the Association, and decisions of local readiness; and (g) such other administrative, financial, technical and organizational arrangements and procedures as shall be required for the Project.
- 2. The Recipient shall afford the Association a reasonable opportunity to exchange views with the Recipient on said Project operations manual, and thereafter, shall adopt such Project operations manual, as shall have been approved by the Association ("Project Operations Manual").

- 3. The Recipient shall ensure that the Project is carried out in accordance with the Project Operations Manual; provided, however, that in case of any conflict between the provisions of the Project Operations Manual, on the one hand, and those of this Agreement, on the other, the provisions of this Agreement shall prevail.
- 4. The Recipient shall not amend or waive any provisions of the Project Operations Manual without the prior written agreement of the Association.

C. Annual Work Plan and Budget

- 1. The Recipient shall prepare and furnish to the Association not later than November 30 of each fiscal year during the implementation of the Project, a work plan and budget containing all activities proposed to be included in the Project during the following fiscal year, and a proposed financing plan for expenditures required for such activities, setting forth the proposed sources of financing.
- 2. Each such proposed work plan and budget shall specify any Training activities that may be required under the Project, including: (a) the type of Training; (b) the purpose of the Training; (c) the personnel to be trained; (d) the institution or individual who will conduct the Training; (e) the location and duration of the Training; and (f) the cost of the Training.
- 3. The Recipient shall afford the Association a reasonable opportunity to exchange views with the Recipient on each such proposed work plan and budget and thereafter ensure that the Project is implemented with due diligence during said following fiscal year in accordance with such work plan and budget as shall have been agreed by the Association ("Annual Work Plan and Budget").
- 4. The Recipient shall not make or allow to be made any change to the agreed Annual Work Plan and Budget without the Association's prior consent in writing.

D. Environmental and Social Standards.

- 1. The Recipient shall ensure that the Project is carried out in accordance with the Environmental and Social Standards, in a manner acceptable to the Association.
- 2. Without limitation upon paragraph 1 above, the Recipient shall ensure that the Project is implemented in accordance with the Environmental and Social Commitment Plan ("ESCP"), in a manner acceptable to the Association. To this end, the Recipient shall ensure that:
 - (a) the measures and actions specified in the ESCP are implemented with due diligence and efficiency, as provided in the ESCP;
 - (b) sufficient funds are available to cover the costs of implementing the ESCP;

- (c) policies and procedures are maintained, and qualified and experienced staff in adequate numbers are retained to implement the ESCP, as provided in the ESCP; and
- (d) the ESCP, or any provision thereof, is not amended, repealed, suspended or waived, except as the Association shall otherwise agree in writing, as specified in the ESCP, and ensure that the revised ESCP is disclosed promptly thereafter.
- 3. Without limitation upon the provisions of paragraph 2 above, if sixty (60) days prior to the Closing Date, the Association determines that there are measures and actions specified in the ESCP which will not be completed by the Closing Date, the Recipient shall: (a) not later than thirty (30) days before the Closing Date, prepare and present to the Association, an action plan satisfactory to the Association on the outstanding measures and actions, including a timetable and budget allocation for such measures and actions (which action plan shall be deemed to be considered an amendment of the ESCP); and (b) thereafter, carry out said action plan in accordance with its terms and in a manner acceptable to the Association.
- 4. In case of any inconsistencies between the ESCP and the provisions of this Agreement, the provisions of this Agreement shall prevail.
- 5. The Recipient shall ensure that:
 - (i) all measures necessary are taken to collect, compile, and furnish to the Association through regular reports, with the frequency specified in the ESCP, and promptly in a separate report or reports, if so requested by the Association, information on the status of compliance with the ESCP and the environmental and social instruments referred to therein, all such reports in form and substance acceptable to the Association, setting out, inter alia: (i) the status of implementation of the ESCP; (ii) conditions, if any, which interfere or threaten to interfere with the implementation of the ESCP; and (iii) corrective and preventive measures taken or required to be taken to address such conditions; and
 - (ii) the Association is promptly notified of any incident or accident related to or having an impact on the Project which has, or is likely to have, a significant adverse effect on the environment, the affected communities, the public or workers, in accordance with the ESCP, the environmental and social instruments referenced therein and the Environmental and Social Standards.
- 6. The Recipient shall establish, publicize, maintain, and operate an accessible grievance mechanism, to receive and facilitate resolution of concerns and

grievances of Project-affected people, and take all measures necessary and appropriate to resolve, or facilitate the resolution of, such concerns and grievances, in a manner acceptable to the Association.

7. The Recipient shall ensure that all bidding documents and contracts for civil works under the Project include the obligation of contractor, subcontractors and supervising entities to: (a) comply with the relevant aspects of ESCP and the environmental and social instruments referred to therein; and (b) adopt and enforce codes of conduct that should be provided to and signed by all workers, detailing measures to address environmental, social, health and safety risks, and the risks of sexual exploitation and abuse, sexual harassment and violence against children, all as applicable to such civil works commissioned or carried out pursuant to said contracts.

E. Specific Financial Management Covenants

The Recipient shall not later than three (3) months after the Effective Date, update its accounting and information system (i.e., configure the existing accounting software parameters), to take into account the specific requirements of the Project.

Section II. Project Monitoring, Reporting and Evaluation

1. The Recipient shall furnish to the Association each Project Report not later than forty-five (45) days after the end of each calendar semester, covering the calendar semester. Except as may otherwise be explicitly required or permitted under this Agreement or as may be explicitly requested by the Association, in sharing any information, report or document related to the activities described in Schedule 1 of this Agreement, the Recipient shall ensure that such information, report or document does not include Personal Data.

Section III. Withdrawal of the Proceeds of the Financing

A. General

Without limitation upon the provisions of Article II of the General Conditions and in accordance with the Disbursement and Financial Information Letter, the Recipient may withdraw the proceeds of the Financing to finance Eligible Expenditures up to the percentage set forth against each Category of the following

table:

Category	Amount of the Grant Allocated (expressed in SDR)	Percentage of Expenditures to be Financed (inclusive of Taxes)
(1) Goods, works, non-consulting services, consulting services, Operating Costs, and Training for Parts A.1.1, A.2.1, A.3.1, A.4.1, A.5.1, B.1.1, B.2.1, B.3.1, C.1.1, C.2.1, and C.3 of the Project	61,500,000	100%
TOTAL AMOUNT	61,500,000	

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 Signature Date.
- 2. The Closing Date is December 31, 2028.

APPENDIX

Definitions

- 1. "Annual Work Plan and Budget" means the annual work plan and budget approved by the Association and adopted by the Recipient in accordance with the provisions of Section I.C of Schedule 2 to this Agreement.
- 2. "Anti-Corruption Guidelines" means, for purposes of paragraph 5 of the Appendix to the General Conditions, the "Guidelines on Preventing and Combating Fraud and Corruption in Projects Financed by IBRD Loans and IDA Credits and Grants", dated October 15, 2006 and revised in January 2011 and as of July 1, 2016.
- 3. "Category" means a category set forth in the table in Section III.A of Schedule 2 to this Agreement.
- 4. "Demographic Dividend Observatories" or "DDOs" means corporately, institutions/agencies/departments of respective Participating Countries and regional organizations responsible for monitoring ongoing research in gender and demographic dividend policy area, and for informing policy makers to achieve gender-sensitive policies and budgeting.
- 5. "Environmental and Social Commitment Plan" or "ESCP" means the environmental and social commitment plan for the Project, dated August 17, 2023 as the same may be amended from time to time in accordance with the provisions thereof, which sets out the material measures and actions that the Recipient shall carry out or cause to be carried out to address the potential environmental and social risks and impacts of the Project, including the timeframes of the actions and measures, institutional, staffing, training, monitoring and reporting arrangements, and any environmental and social instruments to be prepared thereunder.
- 6. "Environmental and Social Standards" or "ESSs" means, collectively: (i) "Environmental and Social Standard 1: Assessment and Management of Environmental and Social Risks and Impacts"; (ii) "Environmental and Social Standard 2: Labor and Working Conditions"; (iii) "Environmental and Social Standard 3: Resource Efficiency and Pollution Prevention and Management"; (iv) "Environmental and Social Standard 4: Community Health and Safety"; (v) "Environmental and Social Standard 5: Land Acquisition, Restrictions on Land Use and Involuntary Resettlement"; (vi) "Environmental and Social Standard 6: Biodiversity Conservation and Sustainable Management of Living Natural Resources"; (vii) "Environmental and Social Standard 7: Indigenous Peoples/Sub-Saharan African Historically Underserved Traditional Local Communities"; (viii) "Environmental and Social Standard 8: Cultural Heritage"; (ix) "Environmental and Social Standard 9: Financial Intermediaries"; (x) "Environmental and Social

- Standard 10: Stakeholder Engagement and Information Disclosure"; effective on October 1, 2018, as published by the Association.
- 7. "General Conditions" means the "International Development Association General Conditions for IDA Financing, Investment Project Financing", dated December 14, 2018 (Last revised on July 15, 2023).
- 8. "Ministry of National Education and Civic Promotion: or "MNECP" means the Recipient's ministry responsible for education, or any successor thereto.
- 9. "Ministry of Public Health and Prevention" or "MPHP" means the Recipient's ministry responsible for health, or any successor thereto.
- 10. "Ministry of Gender and National Solidarity" or "MGNS" means the Recipient's ministry responsible for gender and women empowerment, or any successor thereto.
- 11. "Ministry of Public Health and Prevention" or "MPHP" means the Recipient's ministry responsible for public health, or any successor thereto.
- 12. "Ministry of Youth, Sports, Leisure and Entrepreneurial Leadership" or "MYSLEL" means the Recipient's ministry responsible for youth, sports, leisure and entrepreneurial leadership or any successor thereto.
- 13. "National Demographic Dividend Observatory" or "NDDO" means the Recipient's institution/agency/department responsible for monitoring ongoing research in gender and demographic dividend policy area, and for informing policy makers to achieve gender-sensitive policies and budgeting and demographic dividend, or any successor thereto.
- 14. "National Laboratory for Drugs Quality Assurance" or "NLDQA" means the Recipient's institution/agency/department responsible for assurance of drugs and medical supplies quality and standards, or any successor thereto.
- 15. "National Gender Policy" or "NGP" means the Recipient's gender policy presented under a document titled "*Politique Nationale Genre* (2017 to 2030).
- 16. "National Steering Committee" means a steering committee to be established by the Recipient to provide guidance and oversight for the Project and hold semi-annual reviews of performance and implementation planning, as further described in the Project Operations Manual.
- 17. "Operating Costs" means recurrent costs of the Project: (i) operation and maintenance of vehicle, repairs, fuel and spare parts; (ii) computer maintenance, including hardware and software; (iii) communication costs and shipment costs (whenever these costs are not included in the cost of goods); (iv) office supplies;

- (v) rent and maintenance for office facilities; (vi) utilities and insurances, including health insurances and health-related services; (vii) travel and per diem costs for technical staff carrying out training, supervisory and quality control activities; and (viii) salaries of support staff for the Project Implementation Unit, but excluding salaries of the Recipient's civil servants.
- 18. "Participating Countries" means Burkina Faso, Republic of Congo, Republic of Senegal, Republic of Togo, and The Gambia.
- 19. "Personal Data" means any information relating to an identified or identifiable individual. An identifiable individual is one who can be identified by reasonable means, directly or indirectly, by reference to an attribute or combination of attributes within the data, or combination of the data with other available information. Attributes that can be used to identify an identifiable individual include, but are not limited to, name, identification number, location data, online identifier, metadata and factors specific to the physical, physiological, genetic, mental, economic, cultural or social identity of an individual.
- 20. "Procurement Regulations" means, for purposes of paragraph 85 of the Appendix to the General Conditions, the "World Bank Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers", dated November 2020.
- 21. "Project Implementation Unit" or "PIU" means the unit referred to in Section I.A.2 of Schedule 2 to this Agreement.
- 22. "Project Operations Manual" means the Recipient's manual referred to in Section I.B.1 of Schedule 2 to this Agreement, as the same may be amended from time to time with the prior written agreement of the Association.
- 23. "Regional Steering Committee" means a steering committee established to provide overall regional strategic direction for the Project, as further described in the Project Operations Manual.
- 24. "RMNACHN" stands for Reproductive, Maternal, Neonatal, Adolescent and Child Health and Nutrition.
- 25. "Signature Date" means the later of the two dates on which the Recipient and the Association signed this Agreement and such definition applies to all references to "the date of the Financing Agreement" in the General Conditions.
- 26. "Training" means the reasonable cost of training and workshops, based on the Annual Work Plans approved by the Association, such term including seminars, conferences, and costs associated with such activity including travel and subsistence costs for training participants, trainees and trainers, costs associated with securing the services of trainers, rental of training facilities, preparation,

acquisition, publication and reproduction of training materials, and other costs directly related to training preparation and implementation, course fees, and study tours.