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LOAN NUMBER 3240 IVC

Loan Agreement

(Water Supply and Sanitation Sector Adjustment Loan)

between

REPUBLIC OF COTE D'IVOIRE

and

INTERNATIONAL BANK FOR RECONSTRUCTION
AND DEVELOPMENT

Dated June 28, 1990

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LOAN AGREEMENT

AGREEMENT, dated June 28, 1990, between REPUBLIC OF COTE D'IVOIRE (the Borrower) and INTERNATIONAL BANK FOR RECONSTRUCTION AND DEVELOPMENT (the Bank).

WHEREAS (A) the Bank has received a letter dated August 7, 1989 from the Borrower describing a program of actions, objectives and policies designed to achieve adjustment of the Borrower's water supply and sanitation sector (hereinafter called the Program), declaring the Borrower's commitment to the execution of the Program, and requesting assistance from the Bank in the financing of urgently needed imports required during such execution; and

(B) on the basis, inter alia, of the foregoing the Bank has decided in support of the Program to provide such assistance to the Borrower by making the Loan in two tranches as hereinafter provided;

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 thereof set forth below (the General Conditions) constitute an integral part of this Agreement:

(a) Section 2.01, paragraph 11, shall be modified to read:

"'Project' means the imports and other activities that may be financed out of the proceeds of the Loan pursuant to the provisions of Schedule 1 to the Loan Agreement.";

(b) The last sentence of Section 3.02 is deleted; and

(c) Section 9.07 (c) shall be modified to read:

"(c) Not later than six months after the Closing Date or such later date as may be agreed for this purpose between the Borrower and the Bank, the Borrower shall prepare and furnish to the Bank a report, of such scope and in such detail as the Bank shall reasonably request, on the execution of the program referred to in the Preamble to the Loan Agreement, the performance by the Borrower and the Bank of their respective obligations under the Loan Agreement and the accomplishment of the purposes of the Loan."

Section 1.02. Unless the context otherwise requires, the several terms defined in the General Conditions and in the Preamble to this Agreement have the respective meanings therein set forth and the following additional terms have the following meanings:

(a) "SITC" means the Standard International Trade Classification, Revision 3 (SITC, Rev. 3), published by the United Nations in Statistical Papers, Series M, No. 34/Rev. 3 (1986);

(b) "CFA Francs" and "CFAF" mean the currency of the Borrower;

(c) "Special Account" means the account referred to in Section 2.02 (b) of this Agreement;

(d) "CAA" means the Caisse Autonome d'Amortissement of the Borrower;

(e) "DCGTx" means the Direction et Controle des Grands Travaux of the Borrower;

(f) "SODECI" means Societe de Distribution d'Eau de la Cote d'Ivoire; and

(g) "Concession Contract" means the Convention de Concession du Service de Distribution Publique Urbaine d'Eau Potable en Cote d'Ivoire, between the Borrower and SODECI approved by Decree No. 87-1471 of December 17, 1987.

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 eighty million Dollars (\$80,000,000) as 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. (a) The amount of the Loan may be withdrawn from the Loan Account in accordance with the provisions of Schedule 1 to this Agreement.

(b) The Borrower shall, for the purposes of the Project, open and maintain in CFA Francs a special account in CAA on terms and conditions satisfactory to the Bank. Deposits into, and payments out of, the Special Account shall be made in accordance with the provisions of Schedule 5 to this Agreement.

Section 2.03. The Closing Date shall be December 31, 1991 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 percent (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 available 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 the rates applicable during such Interest Period."

"(b) As soon as available 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 semiannually on May 15 and November 15 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 Schedule 2 to this Agreement.

Section 2.08. (a) CAA is the representative of the Borrower for the purposes of taking any action required or permitted to be taken under the provisions of Section 2.02 of this Agreement and Article V of the General Conditions.

(b) Without limitation or restriction to the foregoing, the Borrower hereby entrusts CAA with the care to prepare withdrawal applications under the Loan and to collect the documents and other evidence to be furnished to the Bank in support of such applications; each withdrawal application shall, to the extent practicable, apply for withdrawal of an aggregate amount of not less than \$700,000 equivalent.

ARTICLE III

Particular Covenants

Section 3.01. (a) The Borrower and the Bank shall, at the request of either party, exchange views on the progress achieved in carrying out the Program and the actions specified in Schedule 4 to this Agreement.

(b) Prior to each such exchange of views, the Borrower shall furnish to the Bank for its review and comment a report on the progress achieved in carrying out the Program, in such detail as the Bank shall reasonably request.

Section 3.02. Except as the Bank shall otherwise agree, procurement of the goods to be financed out of the proceeds of the Loan shall be governed by the provisions of Schedule 3 to this Agreement:.

Section 3.03. The Borrower shall, through DCGTx, carry out or cause to be carried out the water supply and sanitation sector studies referred to in the Program.

Section 3.04. (a) The Borrower shall maintain or cause to be maintained records and accounts adequate to reflect in accordance with consistently maintained sound accounting practices the expenditures financed out of the proceeds of the Loan.

(b) The Borrower shall:

- (i) have the records and accounts referred to in paragraph (a) of this Section including those for the Special Account for each fiscal year audited, in accordance with appropriate auditing principles consistently applied, by independent auditors acceptable to the Bank;
- (ii) furnish to the Bank as soon as practicable, but in any case not later than six months after the end of each such year, a certified copy of the report of such audit by said auditors, of such scope and in such detail as the Bank shall have reasonably requested; and
- (iii) furnish to the Bank such other information concerning said records and accounts and the audit thereof as the Bank shall from time to time reasonably request.

(c) For all expenditures with respect to which withdrawals from the Loan Account were made on the basis of statements of expenditure, the Borrower shall:

- (i) maintain or cause to be maintained, in accordance with paragraph (a) of this Section, records and accounts reflecting such expenditures;
- (ii) retain, until at least one year after the Bank has received the audit report for the fiscal year in which the last withdrawal from the Loan Account was made, all records (contracts, orders, invoices, bills, receipts and other documents) evidencing such expenditures;
- (iii) enable the Bank's representatives to examine such records; and
- (iv) ensure that such records and accounts are included in the annual audit referred to in paragraph (b) of this Section and that the report of such audit contains a separate opinion by said auditors as to whether the statements of

expenditure submitted during such fiscal year, together with the procedures and internal controls involved in their preparation, can be relied upon to support the related withdrawals.

ARTICLE IV

Additional Event of Suspension

Section 4.01. Pursuant to Section 6.02 (k) of the General Conditions, the following additional event is specified, namely, that a situation has arisen which shall make it improbable that the Program, or a significant part thereof, will be carried out.

ARTICLE V

Termination

Section 5.01. The date ninety (90) days after the date of this Agreement is hereby specified for the purposes of Section 12.04 of the General Conditions.

ARTICLE VI

Representatives of the Borrower; Addresses

Section 6.01. Except as provided in Section 2.08 (a) of this Agreement, the Minister in charge of Economy and 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 Economy and Finance
B.P. V 125
Abidjan
Republic of Cote d'Ivoire

Cable address:	Telex:
MINFIN Abidjan	23747

For the Bank:

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

Cable address:	Telex:
INTBAFRAD Washington, D.C.	197688 (TRT) 248423 (RCA) 64145 (WUI) or 82987 (FTCC)

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto, acting through their duly authorized representatives, have caused this Agreement to be signed in their respective names in the District of Columbia, United States of America, as of the day and year first above written.

REPUBLIC OF COTE D'IVOIRE

By /s/ Charles Providence Gomis
Authorized Representative

INTERNATIONAL BANK FOR
RECONSTRUCTION AND DEVELOPMENT

By /s/ Ismail Serageldin
Acting Regional Vice President
Africa

SCHEDULE 1

Withdrawal of the Proceeds of the Loan

1. Subject to the provisions set forth or referred to in this Schedule, the proceeds of the Loan may be withdrawn from the Loan Account for expenditures made (or, if the Bank shall so agree, to be made) in respect of the reasonable cost of goods required during the execution of the Program and to be financed out of such proceeds.

2. Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph 1 above, no withdrawals shall be made in respect of:

(a) expenditures for goods included in the following SITC groups or sub-groups, or any successor groups or sub-groups under future revisions to the SITC, as designated by the Bank by notice to the Borrower:

Group	Sub-group	Description of Items
112	-	Alcoholic beverages
121	-	Tobacco, unmanufactured, tobacco refuse
122	-	Tobacco, manufactured (whether or not containing tobacco substitutes)
525	-	Radioactive and associated materials
667	-	Pearls, precious and semi-precious stones, unworked or worked
718	718.7	Nuclear reactors, and parts thereof, fuel elements (cartridges), non-irradiated for nuclear reactors
897	897.3	Jewelry of gold, silver or platinum group metals (except watches and watch cases) and goldsmiths' or silversmiths' wares (including set gems)
971	-	Gold, non-monetary (excluding gold ores and concentrates)

(b) expenditures in the currency of the Borrower or for goods supplied from the territory or the Borrower, provided, however, that if the currency of the Borrower is also that of another counter from the territory of which goods are supplied expenditures in such currency for such goods shall be eligible for financing out of the proceeds of the Loan;

(c) payments made for expenditures prior to the date of this Agreement, except that withdrawals in an aggregate amount not exceeding the equivalent of \$16,000,000 may be made on account of payments made for such expenditures before that date but after the date falling four months before the date of this Agreement;

(d) expenditures for goods procured under contracts costing less than \$15,000 equivalent;

(e) expenditures for goods supplied under a contract which any national or international financing institution or agency other than the Bank shall have financed or agreed to finance;

(f) expenditures for goods intended for a military or para-military purpose or for luxury consumption; and

(g) expenditures in excess of an aggregate amount equivalent to \$32,000,000 for petroleum products and foodstuffs.

3. No withdrawal shall be made and no commitment shall be entered into to pay amounts to or on the order of the Borrower in respect of expenditures to be financed out of the proceeds of the Loan after the aggregate of the proceeds of the Loan withdrawn from the Loan Account and the total amount of such commitments shall have reached the equivalent of \$50,000,000, unless the Bank, shall be satisfied, after an exchange of views as described in Section 3.01 of this Agreement based on evidence satisfactory to the Bank: (a) with the progress achieved by the Borrower in the carrying out of the Program, and (b) that the actions described in Schedule 4 to this Agreement have been taken.

4. If, after the exchange of views described in paragraph 3 above, the Bank shall have given notice to the Borrower that the progress achieved and actions taken are not satisfactory and, within 90 days after such notice, the Borrower shall not have achieved progress and taken actions satisfactory to the Bank, then the Bank may, by notice to the Borrower, cancel the unwithdrawn amount of the Loan or any part thereof.

SCHEDULE 2

Amortization Schedule

Date Payment Due	Payment of Principal (expressed in Dollars)*
November 15, 1995	1,455,000
May 15, 1996	1,515,000
November 15, 1996	1,570,000
May 15, 1997	1,630,000
November 15, 1997	1,695,000
May 15, 1998	1,760,000
November 15, 1998	1,830,000
May 15, 1999	1,900,000
November 15, 1999	1,975,000
May 15, 2000	2,050,000
November 15, 2000	2,130,000
May 15, 2001	2,215,000
November 15, 2001	2,300,000
May 15, 2002	2,385,000
November 15, 2002	2,480,000
May 15, 2003	2,575,000
November 15, 2003	2,675,000
May 15, 2004	2,780,000
November 15, 2004	2,885,000
May 15, 2005	3,000,000
November 15, 2005	3,115,000
May 15, 2006	3,235,000
November 15, 2006	3,360,000
May 15, 2007	3,490,000
November 15, 2007	3,625,000
May 15, 2008	3,770,000
November 15, 2008	3,915,000
May 15, 2009	4,065,000
November 15, 2009	4,225,000
May 15, 2010	4,395,000

* The figures in this column represent dollar equivalents determined as of the respective dates of withdrawal. See General Conditions, Sections 3.04 and 4.03.

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

SCHEDULE 3

Procurement

1. Except as provided under paragraphs 2 and 3 hereof, contract for the procurement of goods shall be awarded through international competitive bidding in accordance with procedures consistent with those set forth in Sections I and II of the "Guidelines for Procurement under IBRD Loans and IDA Credits" published by the Bank in May 1985 (the Guidelines), subject to the following modifications:

(a) Paragraph 2.8 of the Guidelines is deleted and the following is substituted therefor:

"2.8 Notification and Advertising

The international community should be notified in a timely manner of the opportunity to bid. This will be done by advertising invitations to apply for inclusion in a bidder's invitation list, to apply for prequalification, or to bid; such advertisements should be placed in at least one newspaper of general circulation in the Borrower's country and, in addition, in at least one of the following forms:

- (i) a notice in the United Nations publication, Development Forum Business Edition; or
- (ii) an advertisement in a newspaper, periodical or technical journal of wide international circulation; or
- (iii) a notice to local representatives of countries and territories referred to in the Guidelines, that are potential suppliers of the goods required."

(b) The following is added at the end of paragraph 2.21 of the Guidelines:

"Bidding documents may also require the bidder to state the bid price in a single currency widely used in international trade and specified in the bidding documents."

(c) Paragraphs 2.55 and 2.56 of the Guidelines are deleted.

2. Contracts for the procurement of goods by the Borrower or public sector entities estimated to cost the equivalent of less than \$5,000,000 each shall be awarded on the basis of the legal procurement procedures applicable to the purchaser of such goods.

3. Contracts for the procurement of goods by the private sector estimated to cost less than the equivalent of \$5,000,000 each may follow the commercial practices of the purchase of such goods, provided, however, that, to the extent practicable, quotations from eligible suppliers from at least two countries eligible under the Guidelines should be sought.

4. With respect to each contract referred to in paragraph 1 of this Schedule, the Borrower shall furnish to the Bank, prior to the submission to the Bank of the first application of withdrawal of funds from the Loan Account in respect of such contract, two conformed copies of such contract, together with the analysis of the respective bids and recommendations for award, a description of the advertising and tendering procedures followed and such other information as the Bank shall reasonably request.

5. With respect of each contract referred to in paragraphs 2 and 3 of this Schedule, the Borrower shall furnish to the Bank, prior to the submission to the Bank of the first application for withdrawal of funds from the Loan Account in respect thereof, such documentation and information as the Bank may reasonably request to support withdrawal applications in respect of such contract.

6. Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraphs 4 and 5 of this Schedule, where payments under a contract are to be made out of the proceeds of the Special Account, the copies of such contract or the documentation and the information to be furnished to the Bank pursuant to the provisions of paragraph 4 or paragraph 5 of this Schedule, as the case may be, shall be furnished to the Bank as part of the evidence required under paragraph 4 of Schedule 5 to this Agreement.

7. The provisions of the preceding paragraphs 4, 5 and 6 shall not apply to contracts on account of which the Bank has authorized withdrawals from the Loan Account on the basis of statements of expenditures.

SCHEDULE 4

Actions Referred to in Paragraph 3 (b) of Schedule 1 to this Agreement

(a) The provisions of articles 7, 26 and 44 of the Concession Contract dealing, respectively, with the inventory of sectoral assets, the investment program and the revision of SODECI's compensation, have been complied with;

(b) effective transfer of at least 2,500 water points with maintenance responsibility to villagers;

(c) furnishing to the Bank of a three-year investment program for rural water supply, and prospective methods for financing of new investments, excluding debt service for urban consumers;

(d) initiation of a study on the prospects of water supply systems for villages;

(e) reduction of the industrial block water rate from CFAF 412 m3 to CFAF 350 m3 and of the ground water extraction fee for industrial use, accordingly;

(f) adoption of the decree setting the groundwater extraction fee for industrial use, including a system of drilling notification and the preparation of an inventory thereof; and

(g) completion of the first phase of the sector's financial restructuring.

SCHEDULE 5

Special Account

1. For the purposes of this Schedule:

(a) the term "eligible expenditures" means expenditures in respect of the reasonable cost of goods required during the execution of the Project and to be financed out of the proceeds of the Loan in accordance with the provisions of Schedule 1 to this Agreement; and

(b) the term "Authorized Allocation" means an amount equivalent to \$16,000,000 to be withdrawn from the Loan Account and deposited into the Special Account pursuant to paragraph 3 (a) of this Schedule.

2. Unless the Bank shall otherwise agree, payments out of the Special Account shall be made exclusively for eligible expenditures in accordance with the provisions of this Schedule.

3. After the Bank has received evidence satisfactory to it that the Special Account has been duly opened, withdrawals of the Authorized Allocation and subsequent withdrawals to replenish the Special Account shall be made as follows:

(a) For withdrawals of the Authorized Allocation, the Borrower shall furnish to the Bank a request or requests for a deposit or deposits which do not exceed the aggregate amount of the Authorized Allocation. On the basis of such request or requests, the Bank shall, on behalf of the Borrower, withdraw from the Loan Account and deposit into the Special Account such amount or amounts as the Borrower shall have requested.

(b) (i) For replenishment of the Special Account, the Borrower shall furnish to the Bank requests for deposits into the Special Account at such intervals as the Bank shall specify.

(ii) Prior to or at the time of each such request, the Borrower shall furnish to the Bank the documents and other evidence required pursuant to paragraph 4 of this Schedule for the payment or payments in respect of which replenishment is requested. On the basis of each such request, the Bank shall, on behalf of the Borrower, withdraw from the Loan Account and deposit into the Special Account such amount as the Borrower shall have requested and as shall have been shown by said documents and other evidence to have been made out of the Special Account for eligible expenditures. All such deposits shall be withdrawn by the Bank from the Loan Account in the respective equivalent amounts, as shall have been justified by said documents and other evidence.

4. For each payment made by the Borrower out of the Special Account, the Borrower shall, at such time as the Bank shall reasonably request, furnish to the Bank such documents and other evidence showing that such payment was made exclusively for eligible expenditures.

5. Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph 3 of this Schedule, the Bank shall not be required to make further deposits into the Special Account:

(a) if, at any time, the Bank shall have determined that all further withdrawals should be made by the Borrower directly from the Loan Account in accordance with the provisions of Article V of the General Conditions and paragraph (a) of Section 2.02 of this Agreement; or

(b) once the total unwithdrawn amount of the Loan less the amount of any outstanding special commitment entered into by the Bank pursuant to Section 5.02 of the General Conditions with respect to the Project, shall equal the equivalent of twice the amount of the Authorized Allocation.

Thereafter, withdrawal from the Loan Account of the remaining unwithdrawn amount of the Loan shall follow such procedures as the Bank shall specify by notice to the Borrower. Such further withdrawals shall be made only after and to the extent that the Bank shall have been satisfied that all such amounts remaining on deposit in the Special Account as of the date of such notice will be utilized in making payments for eligible expenditures.

6. (a) If the Bank shall have determined at any time that any payment out of the Special Account: (i) was made for any expenditure or in any amount not eligible pursuant to paragraph 2 of this Schedule; or (ii) was not justified by the evidence furnished to the Bank, the Borrower shall, promptly upon notice from the Bank: (A) provide such additional evidence as the Bank may request; or (B) deposit into the Special Account (or, if the Bank shall so request, refund to the Bank) an amount equal to the amount of such payment or the portion thereof not so eligible or justified. Unless the Bank shall otherwise agree, no further deposit by the Bank into the Special Account shall be made until the Borrower has provided such evidence or made such deposit or refund, as the case may be.

(b) If the Bank shall have determined at any time that any amount outstanding in the Special Account will not be required to cover further payments for eligible expenditures, the Borrower shall, promptly upon notice from the Bank, refund to the Bank such outstanding amount.

(c) The Borrower may, upon notice to the Bank, refund to the Bank all or any portion of the funds on deposit in the Special Account.

(d) Refunds to the Bank made pursuant to paragraph 6 (a), (b) and (c) of this Schedule shall be credited to the Loan Account for subsequent withdrawal or for cancellation in accordance with the relevant provisions of this Agreement, including the General Conditions.

