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CREDIT NUMBER 3121 CV

Development Credit Agreement

(Privatization and Regulatory Capacity Building Project)

between

REPUBLIC OF CAPE VERDE

and

INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION

Dated August 12, 1998

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DEVELOPMENT CREDIT AGREEMENT

AGREEMENT, dated August 12, 1998, between the REPUBLIC OF CAPE VERDE (the Borrower) and the INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION (the Association).

WHEREAS (A) the Borrower, having satisfied itself as to the feasibility and priority of the Project described in Schedule 2 to this Agreement, has requested the Association to assist in the financing of the Project;

(B) the Association has received a letter dated June 17, 1998 from the Borrower describing a program of actions, objectives and policies designed to promote private sector development in its territory through privatization and regulatory capacity building (the Program) and declaring the Borrower's commitment to the execution of the Program; and

WHEREAS the Association has agreed, on the basis, inter alia, of the foregoing, to extend the Credit to the Borrower upon the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement;

NOW THEREFORE the parties hereto hereby agree as follows:

ARTICLE I

General Conditions; Definitions

Section 1.01. The "General Conditions Applicable to Development Credit Agreements" of the Association, dated January 1, 1985, (as amended through December 2, 1997), with the modifications set forth below, (the General Conditions) constitute an integral part of this Agreement.

(a) A new paragraph 12 is added to Section 2.01 to read as set forth below, and the existing paragraphs 12 through 14 of said Section are accordingly renumbered as paragraphs 13 through 15:

"12. "Participating Country" means any country that the Association determines meets the requirements set forth in Section 10 of Resolution No. 183 of the Board of Governors of the Association, adopted on June 26, 1996; and "Participating Countries" means, collectively, all such countries.

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

"Except as the Association and the Borrower shall otherwise agree, no withdrawals shall be made: (a) on account of expenditures in the territories of any country which is not a Participating Country or for goods produced in, or services supplied from, such territories; or (b) for the purpose of any payment to persons or entities, or for any import of goods, if such payment or import, to the knowledge of the Association, is prohibited by a decision of the United Nations Security Council taken under Chapter VII of the Charter of the United Nations."

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) "Advisory Committee" means the committee consisting of representatives of the Borrower's public sector, its private sector and regulatory institutions, which will be responsible for advising the PCU (as hereinafter defined) on multi-sectoral policy issues, established and operating under the Borrower's Decree No. 116/92 dated September 28, 1992;

(b) "BCV" means Banco de Cabo Verde, the Borrower's central bank, established by the Borrower's Decree-Law (Decreto-Lei) No. 42/93 dated July 15, 1993;

(c) "Cape Verde Escudo" and "C.V. Esc." mean the currency of the Borrower;

(d) "Midterm Review" means the midterm review of the progress made in carrying out the Project referred to in paragraph 4 of Schedule 4 to this Agreement;

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

(f) "OVPM" means the Borrower's Office of the Vice Prime Minister;

(g) "PCU" means the Project Coordinating Unit within OVPM which will be responsible for the overall implementation of the Project, established and operating under the Borrower's Decree No. 24/98 dated June 11, 1998, as amended to the date of this Agreement;

(h) "Project Account" means the account referred to in Section

3.04 (a) of this Agreement;

(i) "Project Coordinator" means the Project Coordinator who is also the Director of the PCU referred to in paragraph 1 (b) of Schedule 4 to this Agreement;

(j) "Project Implementation Plan" means the manual referred to in paragraph 2 of Schedule 4 to this Agreement containing, inter alia, workplans, training plans, monitoring and performance indicators referred to paragraph 4 (a) of Schedule 4 and procedures to be used for the purposes of implementation of the Project, as they may be amended from time to time, in consultation with the Association, and such term includes any schedules to the Project Implementation Plan; and

(k) "Project Preparation Advance" means the project preparation advance granted by the Association to the Borrower by letter dated February 24, 1998.

ARTICLE II

The Credit

Section 2.01. The Association agrees to lend to the Borrower, on the terms and conditions set forth or referred to in the Development Credit Agreement, an amount in various currencies equivalent to six million, eight hundred thousand Special Drawing Rights (SDR 6,800,000).

Section 2.02. (a) The amount of the Credit may be withdrawn from the Credit Account in accordance with the provisions of Schedule 1 to this Agreement for expenditures made (or, if the Association shall so agree, to be made) in respect of the reasonable cost of goods and services required for the Project described in Schedule 2 to this Agreement and to be financed out of the proceeds of the Credit.

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

(c) Promptly after the Effective Date, the Association shall, on behalf of the Borrower, withdraw from the Credit Account and pay to itself the amount required to repay the principal amount of the Project Preparation Advance withdrawn and outstanding as of such date and to pay all unpaid charges thereon. The unwithdrawn balance of the authorized amount of the Project Preparation Advance shall thereupon be canceled.

Section 2.03. The Closing Date shall be December 31, 2002 or such later date as the Association shall establish. The Association shall promptly notify the Borrower of such later date.

Section 2.04. (a) The Borrower shall pay to the Association a commitment charge on the principal amount of the Credit not withdrawn from time to time at a rate to be set by the Association as of June 30 of each year, but not to exceed the rate of one-half of one percent (1/2 of 1%) per annum.

(b) The commitment charge shall accrue: (i) from the date sixty days after the date of this Agreement (the accrual date) to the respective dates on which amounts shall be withdrawn by the Borrower from the Credit Account or canceled; and (ii) at the rate set as of the June 30 immediately preceding the accrual date and at such other rates as may be set from time to time thereafter pursuant to paragraph (a) above. The rate set as of June 30 in each year shall be applied from the next date in that year specified in Section 2.06 of this Agreement.

(c) The commitment charge shall be paid: (i) at such places as

the Association shall reasonably request; (ii) without restrictions of any kind imposed by, or in the territory of, the Borrower; and (iii) in the currency specified in this Agreement for the purposes of Section 4.02 of the General Conditions or in such other eligible currency or currencies as may from time to time be designated or selected pursuant to the provisions of that Section.

Section 2.05. The Borrower shall pay to the Association a service charge at the rate of three-fourths of one percent (3/4 of 1%) per annum on the principal amount of the Credit withdrawn and outstanding from time to time.

Section 2.06. Commitment charges and service charges shall be payable semiannually on January 15 and July 15 in each year.

Section 2.07. (a) Subject to paragraphs (b), (c) and (d) below, the Borrower shall repay the principal amount of the Credit in semiannual installments payable on each January 15 and July 15, commencing January 15, 2009 and ending July 15, 2038. Each installment to and including the installment payable on July 15, 2018 shall be one percent (1%) of such principal amount, and each installment thereafter shall be two percent (2%) of such principal amount.

(b) Whenever: (i) the Borrower's per capita gross national product (GNP), as determined by the Association, shall have exceeded for three consecutive years the level established annually by the Association for determining eligibility to access the Association's resources; and (ii) the Bank shall consider the Borrower creditworthy for Bank lending, the Association may, subsequent to the review and approval thereof by the Executive Directors of the Association and after due consideration by them of the development of the Borrower's economy, modify the repayment of installments under paragraph (a) above by: (A) requiring the Borrower to repay twice the amount of each such installment not yet due until the principal amount of the Credit shall have been repaid; and (B) requiring the Borrower to commence repayment of the principal amount of the Credit as of the first semiannual payment date referred to in paragraph (a) above falling six months or more after the date on which the Association notifies the Borrower that the events set out in this paragraph (b) have occurred, provided, however, that there shall be a grace period of a minimum of five years on such repayment of principal.

(c) If so requested by the Borrower, the Association may revise the modification referred to in paragraph (b) above to include, in lieu of some or all of the increase in the amounts of such installments, the payment of interest at an annual rate agreed with the Association on the principal amount of the Credit withdrawn and outstanding from time to time, provided that, in the judgment of the Association, such revision shall not change the grant element obtained under the above-mentioned repayment modification.

(d) If, at any time after a modification of terms pursuant to paragraph (b) above, the Association determines that the Borrower's economic condition has deteriorated significantly, the Association may, if so requested by the Borrower, further modify the terms of repayment to conform to the schedule of installments as provided in paragraph (a) above.

Section 2.08. The currency of the United States of America is hereby specified for the purposes of Section 4.02 of the General Conditions.

ARTICLE III

Execution of the Project

Section 3.01. (a) The Borrower declares its commitment to the

objectives of the Project as set forth in Schedule 2 to this Agreement and, to this end, shall carry out the Project through OVPM with due diligence and efficiency and in conformity with appropriate administrative, financial and technical practices, and shall provide, promptly as needed, the funds, facilities, services and other resources required for the Project.

(b) Without limitation upon the provisions of paragraph (a) of this Section and except as the Borrower and the Association shall otherwise agree, the Borrower shall carry out the Project through OVPM, in accordance with the Implementation Program set forth in Schedule 4 to this Agreement.

Section 3.02. Except as the Association shall otherwise agree, procurement of the goods and consultants' services required for the Project and to be financed out of the proceeds of the Credit shall be governed by the provisions of Schedule 3 to this Agreement.

Section 3.03. For the purposes of Section 9.07 of the General Conditions and without limitation thereto, the Borrower shall:

(a) prepare, on the basis of guidelines acceptable to the Association and furnish to the Association not later than six (6) months after the Closing Date or such later date as may be agreed for this purpose between the Borrower and the Association, a plan designed to ensure the continued achievement of the Project's objectives; and

(b) afford the Association a reasonable opportunity to exchange views with the Borrower on said plan.

Section 3.04. Without limitation to its obligations under Section 3.01 of this Agreement, the Borrower shall:

(a) open and maintain an account (the Project Account) in C.V. Esc. in BCV on terms and conditions satisfactory to the Association;

(b) promptly thereafter, make an initial deposit into such account, in an amount equivalent to US\$50,000, to finance the Borrower's contribution to the Project;

(c) deposit into the Project Account by January 15, April 15, July 15 and October 15 in each year, until the completion of the Project, such amounts as shall be required to replenish in a timely manner the Project Account to equal the amount of the initial deposit referred to in paragraph (b) above; and

(d) use the Project Account funds exclusively to finance expenditures under the Project.

ARTICLE IV

Financial Covenants

Section 4.01. (a) The Borrower shall maintain, or cause to be maintained, records and accounts adequate to reflect, in accordance with sound accounting practices, the operations, resources and expenditures in respect of the Project of the departments or agencies of the Borrower responsible for carrying out the Project or any part thereof.

(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 Association;

(ii) furnish to the Association as soon as available, but in any case not later than six months after the end of each such year, the report of such audit by said auditors, of such scope and in such detail as the Association shall have reasonably requested; and

(iii) furnish to the Association such other information concerning said records and accounts and the audit thereof as the Association shall from time to time reasonably request.

(c) For all expenditures with respect to which withdrawals from the Credit 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 Association has received the audit report for the fiscal year in which the last withdrawal from the Credit Account was made, all records (contracts, orders, invoices, bills, receipts and other documents) evidencing such expenditures;

(iii) enable the Association'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 V

Remedies of the Association

Section 5.01. Pursuant to Section 6.02 (1) of the General Conditions, the following additional events are specified:

(a) a situation shall have arisen which shall make it improbable that the Program or a significant part thereof will be carried out; and

(b) the Privatization Law (Lei 47/IV/92 of July 6, 1992, as revised through Lei 41/V/97 on October 31, 1997) shall have been amended, suspended, abrogated, repealed or waived so as to affect materially or adversely the Borrower's ability to perform any of its obligations under this Agreement.

Section 5.02. Pursuant to Section 7.01 (h) of the General Conditions, the following additional event is specified, namely, the event specified in paragraph (b) of Section 5.01 of this Agreement shall occur and shall continue for a period of sixty days after notice thereof shall have been given by the Association to the Borrower.

ARTICLE VI

Effective Date; Termination

Section 6.01. The following events are specified as additional conditions to the effectiveness of the Development Credit Agreement within the meaning of Section 12.01 (b) of the General Conditions:

(a) the Borrower shall have established a computerized accounting and financial management system, satisfactory to the Association; and

(b) the Borrower has appointed the independent auditors referred to in Section 4.01 (b) of this Agreement, in accordance with the provisions of Section II of Schedule 3 to this Agreement.

Section 6.02. The date one hundred and twenty (120) days after the date of this Agreement is hereby specified for the purposes of Section 12.04 of the General Conditions.

ARTICLE VII

Representative of the Borrower; Addresses

Section 7.01. The Minister of the Borrower at the time responsible for economic coordination is designated as representative of the Borrower for the purposes of Section 11.03 of the General Conditions.

Section 7.02. The following addresses are specified for the purposes of Section 11.01 of the General Conditions:

For the Borrower:

Office of the Vice Prime Minister
C.P. 30
Praia, Cabo Verde

Cable address:

COORDENACAO
Cape Verde

Telex:

608 MCECV

For the Association:

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

Cable address:

INDEVAS
Washington, D.C.

Telex:

248423 (MCI) or
64145 (MCI)

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

REPUBLIC OF CAPE VERDE

By /s/ Manuel de Matos

Authorized Representative

INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION

By /s/ Mahmood A. Ayub
Acting Regional Vice President
Africa

SCHEDULE 1

Withdrawal of the Proceeds of the Credit

1. The table below sets forth the Categories of items to be financed out of the proceeds of the Credit, the allocation of the amounts of the Credit to each Category and the percentage of expenditures for items so to be financed in each Category:

Expenditures Category Financed	Amount of the Credit Allocated (Expressed in SDR Equivalent	% of to be
(1) Equipment, Goods and Vehicles	570,000	75%
(2) Consultants' Services and Studies	4,900,000	100%
(3) Training	540,000	80%
(4) Refunding of Project Amounts due pursuant Preparation Advance Section 2.02 (c) Agreement	530,000	to of this
(5) Unallocated	260,000	
TOTAL	6,800,000	

2. Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph 1 above, no withdrawals shall be made in respect of payments made for expenditures prior to the date of this Agreement.

3. The Association may require withdrawals from the Credit Account to be made on the basis of statements of expenditure for expenditures for goods and consultants' services (firms) under contracts not exceeding US\$100,000 equivalent, consultants' services (individuals) under contracts not exceeding US\$50,000 equivalent and training, under such terms and conditions as the Association shall specify by notice to the Borrower.

SCHEDULE 2

Description of the Project

The objective of the Project is to promote private sector development in the territory of the Borrower through: (a) the transfer to the private sector of productive assets owned by the Borrower in various economic sectors, including utilities, transport, manufacturing and services; (b) the establishment of an effective regulatory framework conducive to private sector investment; and (c) the establishment of an appropriate institutional framework for the implementation of the Program.

The Project consists of the following parts, subject to such

modifications thereof as the Borrower and the Association may agree upon from time to time to achieve such objective:

Part A: Accelerated Privatization Program

1. Carrying out preparatory work for the privatization of public enterprises and the design and implementation of a program relating to labor retrenchment and redeployment, including retraining of redundant public enterprise employees through the provision of technical advisory services and the acquisition of equipment.
2. Carrying out a training program for PCU personnel and other officials of the Borrower in the principles governing privatization, including private participation in infrastructure investment.
3. Design and implementation of a communications program to strengthen the Borrower's capacity to: (i) use the media effectively in communicating information about the Program to the public, including potential investors; (ii) promote transparency of the Program; and (iii) carry out a qualitative and quantitative survey of public opinion regarding the Program.

Part B: Regulatory Framework and Capacity Building

1. Establishment and operation of two autonomous multi-sectoral regulatory agencies for the: (i) utilities and transport sectors; and (ii) food, drug and consumer product standards and quality control sectors, through the provision of technical advisory services and the acquisition of equipment.
2. Establishment of an appropriate legal and regulatory framework aimed at encouraging competition and increasing private sector investment in the utilities, transport and other sectors, including the provision of technical advisory services.
3. Implementation of training programs on key regulatory issues for the senior staff of regulatory agencies referred to in Part B.1 above and of public enterprises referred to in the Program, including twinning programs with regulatory bodies in other countries.

Part C: Program Management

Strengthening of the capacity of the PCU to implement the Project, through the provision of training and advisory services and the acquisition of a vehicle and equipment.

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The Project is expected to be completed by June 30, 2002.

SCHEDULE 3

Procurement and Consultants' Services

Section I. Procurement of Goods

Part A: General

1. Goods shall be procured in accordance with the provisions of Section I of the "Guidelines for Procurement under IBRD Loans and IDA Credits" published by the Bank in January 1995 and revised in January and August 1996 and in September 1997, subject to the modifications thereto set forth in paragraph 2 of this Part A, (the Guidelines) and (b) the provisions of the following Parts of this Section I.
2. In paragraphs 1.6 and 1.8 of the Guidelines, the references to "Bank member countries" and "member country" shall be deemed to be

references, respectively, to "Participating Countries" and "Participating Country."

Part B: International Competitive Bidding

1. Except as otherwise provided in Part C of this Section, goods shall be procured under contracts awarded in accordance with the provisions of Section II of the Guidelines and paragraph 5 of Appendix 1 thereto.

2. The following provisions shall apply to goods to be procured under contracts awarded in accordance with the provisions of paragraph 1 of this Part B.

(a) Grouping of Contracts

To the extent practicable, contracts for goods shall be grouped in bid packages estimated to cost US\$200,000 equivalent or more each.

(b) Preference for Domestically Manufactured Goods

The provisions of paragraphs 2.54 and 2.55 of the Guidelines and Appendix 2 thereto shall apply to goods manufactured in the territory of the Borrower.

(c) Notification and Advertising

The invitation to prequalify or bid for each contract estimated to cost US\$10,000,000 equivalent or more shall be advertised in accordance with the procedures applicable to large contracts under paragraph 2.8 of the Guidelines.

Part C: Other Procurement Procedures

1. National Shopping

Goods estimated to cost less than US\$50,000 equivalent per contract, up to an aggregate amount not to exceed US\$400,000 equivalent, may be procured under contracts awarded on the basis of national shopping procedures in accordance with the provisions of paragraphs 3.5 and 3.6 of the Guidelines.

Part D: Review by the Association of Procurement Decisions

1. Procurement Planning

Prior to the issuance of any invitations to prequalify for bidding or to bid for contracts, the proposed procurement plan for the Project shall be furnished to the Association for its review and approval, in accordance with the provisions of paragraph 1 of Appendix 1 to the Guidelines. Procurement of all goods and services shall be undertaken in accordance with such procurement plan as shall have been approved by the Association, and with the provisions of said paragraph 1.

2. Prior Review

With respect to each ICB contract estimated to cost the equivalent of US\$200,000 or more, the procedures set forth in paragraphs 2 and 3 of Appendix 1 to the Guidelines shall apply.

3. Post Review

With respect to each contract not governed by paragraph 2 of this Part, the procedures set forth in paragraph 4 of Appendix 1 to the Guidelines shall apply.

Section II. Employment of Consultants

Part A: General

1. Consultants' services shall be procured in accordance with: (a) the provisions of the Introduction and Section IV of the "Guidelines: Selection and Employment of Consultants by World Bank Borrowers" published by the Bank in January 1997 and revised in September 1997, subject to the modifications thereto set forth in paragraph 2 of this Part A, (the Consultant Guidelines) and (b) the provisions of the following Parts of this Section II.

2. In paragraph 1.10 of the Consultant Guidelines, the references to "Bank member countries" and "member country" shall be deemed to be references, respectively, to "Participating Countries" and "Participating Country."

Part B: Quality- and Cost-based Selection

1. Except as otherwise provided in Part C of this Section, consultants' services shall be procured under contracts awarded in accordance with the provisions of Section II of the Consultant Guidelines, paragraph 3 of Appendix 1 thereto, Appendix 2 thereto, and the provisions of paragraphs 3.13 through 3.18 thereof applicable to quality- and cost-based selection of consultants.

2. The following provisions shall apply to consultants' services to be procured under contracts awarded in accordance with the provisions of the preceding paragraph. The shortlist of consultants for services for legal advisory and valuation services under Part A of the Project, estimated to cost less than US\$100,000 equivalent per contract, may comprise entirely national consultants in accordance with the provisions of paragraph 2.7 of the Consultant Guidelines.

Part C: Other Procedures for the Selection of Consultants

1. Least-cost Selection

Services for auditing under Part C of the Project, estimated to cost less than US\$200,000 equivalent per contract, may be procured under contracts awarded in accordance with the provisions of paragraphs 3.1 and 3.6 of the Consultant Guidelines.

2. Selection Based on Consultants' Qualifications

Services for legal advisory services under Part B of the Project estimated to cost less than US\$100,000 equivalent per contract may be procured under contracts awarded in accordance with the provisions of paragraphs 3.1 and 3.7 of the Consultant Guidelines.

3. Individual Consultants

Tasks that meet the requirements set forth in paragraph 5.01 of the Consultant Guidelines shall be procured under contracts awarded to individual consultants in accordance with the provisions of paragraphs 5.1 through 5.3 of the Consultant Guidelines.

4. Single Source Selection

Services related to the privatization of financial institutions under Part A.1 of the Project which are estimated to cost less than US\$200,000 equivalent per contract, may, with the Association's prior agreement, be procured in accordance with the provisions of paragraphs 3.8 through 3.11 of the Consultant Guidelines.

Part D: Review by the Association of the Selection of Consultants

1. Selection Planning

Prior to the issuance to consultants of any requests for proposals, the proposed plan for the selection of consultants under the Project shall be furnished to the Association for its review and approval, in accordance with the provisions of paragraph 1 of Appendix 1 to the Consultant Guidelines. Selection of all consultants' services shall be undertaken in accordance with such selection plan as shall have been approved by the Association, and with the provisions of said paragraph 1.

2. Prior Review

(a) With respect to each contract for the employment of consulting firms estimated to cost the equivalent of US\$150,000 or more, the procedures set forth in paragraphs 1, 2 (other than the third subparagraph of paragraph 2(a)) and 5 of Appendix 1 to the Consultant Guidelines shall apply.

(b) With respect to each contract for the employment of consulting firms estimated to cost the equivalent of US\$100,000 or more, but less than the equivalent of US\$150,000, the procedures set forth in paragraphs 1, 2 (other than the second subparagraph of paragraph 2(a)) and 5 of Appendix 1 to the Consultant Guidelines shall apply.

(c) With respect to each contract for the employment of individual consultants estimated to cost the equivalent of US\$50,000 or more, the qualifications, experience, terms of reference and terms of employment of the consultants shall be furnished to the Association for its prior review and approval. The contract shall be awarded only after said approval shall have been given.

3. Post Review

With respect to each contract not governed by paragraph 2 of this Part, the procedures set forth in paragraph 4 of Appendix 1 to the Consultant Guidelines shall apply.

SCHEDULE 4

Implementation Program

1. PCU and Advisory Committee

(a) The Borrower shall maintain the PCU and the Advisory Committee until the completion of the Project.

(b) The PCU shall maintain, until the completion of the Project, a Project Coordinator and competent staff in adequate numbers, all with terms of reference, qualifications and experience, acceptable to the Association, and an accountant who shall be employed in accordance with the provisions of Section II of Schedule 3 to this Agreement. The Project Coordinator shall be responsible for the supervision and coordination of the day-to-day management of the Project. The accountant shall, inter alia, assist the Borrower in the carrying out of the obligations set forth in Section 4.01 (a) of this Agreement.

2. Project Implementation Plan

The Borrower shall carry out the Project in accordance with procedures set out in the Project Implementation Plan and, except as the Association shall otherwise agree, shall not amend or waive any provision thereof, if such amendment or waiver may, in the opinion of the Association, materially or adversely affect the implementation of the Project.

3. Progress Reports

The Project Coordinator shall be responsible for the preparation and the transmittal to the Association, promptly after the end of each

calendar semester and in any case not later than January 31 and July 31 of each year, of a detailed report regarding the progress in the carrying out of the Project during the preceding calendar semester.

4. Performance Indicators and Midterm Review

The Borrower shall:

(a) maintain policies and procedures adequate to enable it to monitor and evaluate on an ongoing basis, in accordance with the performance indicators agreed upon between the Borrower and the Association, the carrying out of the Project and the achievement of the objectives thereof;

(b) carry out, jointly with the Association, not later than June 30, 2000, the Midterm Review. The Midterm Review shall cover, among other things: (i) progress made in meeting the Project's objectives, (ii) overall Project performance against Project performance indicators, (iii) implementation of the Program and, in particular, its privatization and regulatory components, and (iv) quality of the advisory services under the Project.

(c) The Borrower shall, at least three (3) weeks prior to the Midterm Review, furnish to the Association a report describing the status of the items listed in paragraph (a) above and of Project implementation generally.

(d) The Borrower shall, not later than four (4) weeks after the Midterm Review, prepare an action program, acceptable to the Association, for further implementation of the Project having regard to the findings of the Midterm Review and, thereafter, implement such action program.

SCHEDULE 5

Special Account

1. For the purposes of this Schedule:

(a) the term "eligible Categories" means Categories (1) through (3) set forth in the table in paragraph 1 of Schedule 1 to this Agreement;

(b) the term "eligible expenditures" means expenditures in respect of the reasonable cost of goods and services required for the Project and to be financed out of the proceeds of the Credit allocated from time to time to the eligible Categories in accordance with the provisions of Schedule 1 to this Agreement; and

(c) the term "Authorized Allocation" means an amount in dollars equivalent to US\$250,000 to be withdrawn from the Credit Account and deposited into the Special Account pursuant to paragraph 3 (a) of this Schedule, provided, however, that unless the Association shall otherwise agree, the Authorized Allocation shall be limited to an amount equivalent to US\$150,000 until the aggregate amount of withdrawals from the Credit Account plus the total amount of all outstanding special commitments entered into by the Association pursuant to Section 5.02 of the General Conditions shall be equal to or exceed the equivalent of US\$2,000,000.

2. Payments out of the Special Account shall be made exclusively for eligible expenditures in accordance with the provisions of this Schedule.

3. After the Association 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 Association a request or requests for deposit into the Special Account of an amount or amounts which do not exceed the aggregate amount of the Authorized Allocation. On the basis of such request or requests, the Association shall, on behalf of the Borrower, withdraw from the Credit 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 Association requests for deposits into the Special Account at such intervals as the Association shall specify.

(ii) Prior to or at the time of each such request, the Borrower shall furnish to the Association 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 Association shall, on behalf of the Borrower, withdraw from the Credit 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 paid out of the Special Account for eligible expenditures. All such deposits shall be withdrawn by the Association from the Credit Account under the respective eligible Categories, and 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 Association shall reasonably request, furnish to the Association 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 Association shall not be required to make further deposits into the Special Account:

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

(b) if the Borrower shall have failed to furnish to the Association, within the period of time specified in Section 4.01 (b) (ii) of this Agreement, any of the audit reports required to be furnished to the Association pursuant to said Section in respect of the audit of the records and accounts for the Special Account;

(c) if, at any time, the Association shall have notified the Borrower of its intention to suspend in whole or in part the right of the Borrower to make withdrawals from the Credit Account pursuant to the provisions of Section 6.02 of the General Conditions; or

(d) once the total unwithdrawn amount of the Credit allocated to the eligible Categories, minus the total amount of all outstanding special commitments entered into by the Association 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 Credit Account of the remaining unwithdrawn amount of the Credit allocated to the eligible Categories shall follow such procedures as the Association shall specify by notice to the Borrower. Such further withdrawals shall be made only after and to the extent that the Association 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 Association shall have determined at any time that any payment out of the Special Account: (i) was made for an expenditure or in an amount not eligible pursuant to paragraph 2 of this Schedule; or (ii) was not justified by the evidence furnished to the Association, the Borrower shall, promptly upon notice from the Association: (A) provide such additional evidence as the Association may request; or (B) deposit into the Special Account (or, if the Association shall so request, refund to the Association) an amount equal to the amount of such payment or the portion thereof not so eligible or justified. Unless the Association shall otherwise agree, no further deposit by the Association 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 Association 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 Association, refund to the Association such outstanding amount.

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

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

