

Honourable  
Dr. Ashni Singh  
Senior Minister, Office of the President, with Responsibility for Finance  
Ministry of Finance  
49 Main and Urquhart Streets  
Georgetown, Guyana

**Re: Grant No. TF0B6163-GY  
(Co-Operative Republic of Guyana COVID-19 Emergency Response Project Additional Financing)  
Additional Instructions: AMENDED Disbursement and Financial Information Letter**

Dear Minister:

I refer to the Grant Agreement (“Agreement”) between the International Development Association (“Association”), acting as administrator of the Health Emergency Preparedness and Response Multi-Donor Trust Fund, and Co-operative Republic of Guyana (“Recipient”) for the above-referenced project. The Standard Conditions, as defined in the Grant Agreement, provide that the Association may issue additional instructions regarding the withdrawal of the proceeds of Grant TF0B6163-GY (“Grant”), and may set out Project specific financial reporting requirements. This letter (“Disbursement and Financial Information Letter”), as revised from time to time, constitutes such additional instructions.

This is the first amendment of the Disbursement and Financial Information Letter dated July 1st, 2021 for the above-referenced project. This letter restates Schedule 1 to adjust the Designated Account type and, hence, ensure consistency with the Original and Additional Financing. All other provisions and attachments of the Disbursement Letter dated July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021, except as amended, shall remain in force and effect.

## **I. Disbursement Arrangements and Withdrawal of Grant Funds**

The *World Bank Disbursement Guidelines for Projects*, dated February 1, 2017, (“Disbursement Guidelines”) are available in the Association's public website at <https://www.worldbank.org>, and are an integral part of the Disbursement and Financial Information Letter. The manner in which the provisions in the Disbursement Guidelines apply to the Grant is specified below. Sections and subsections in parentheses below refer to the relevant sections and subsections in the Disbursement Guidelines and, unless otherwise defined in this letter, the capitalized terms used have the meanings ascribed to them in the Disbursement Guidelines.

### **(i) Disbursement Arrangements**

The table in **Schedule 1** provides the disbursement methods which may be used by the Recipient, information on registration of authorized signatures, processing of withdrawal applications (including minimum value of applications and advances), instructions on supporting documentation, and frequency of reporting on the Designated Account.

**(ii) Withdrawal of Grant Funds (Electronic Delivery)** Section 7.01 (c) of the Standard Conditions.

The Recipient will deliver Withdrawal Applications (with supporting documents) electronically through the Association's web-based portal "Client Connection" at <https://clientconnection.worldbank.org>. This option will be effected after the officials designated in writing by the Recipient who are authorized to sign and deliver Withdrawal Applications have registered as users of "Client Connection". The designated officials will deliver Applications electronically by completing the Form 2380, which is accessible through "Client Connection". By signing the Authorized Signatory Letter, the Recipient confirms that it is authorizing such persons to accept Secure Identification Credentials (SIDC) and to deliver the Applications and supporting documents to the Association by electronic means. The Recipient may exercise the option of preparing and delivering Withdrawal Applications in paper form on exceptional cases (including those where the Recipient encounters legal limitations), and which were previously agreed with the Association. By designating officials to use SIDC and by choosing to deliver the Applications electronically, the Recipient confirms through the authorized signatory letter its agreement to: (a) abide by the Terms and Conditions of Use of Secure Identification Credentials in connection with Use of Electronic Means to Process Applications and Supporting Documentation, available in the Association's public website at <https://worldbank.org> and "Client Connection"; and (b) to cause such official to abide by those terms and conditions.

**II. Financial Reports and Audits** Section 2.07 (a) and (b) of the Standard Conditions.

**(i) Financial Reports.**

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

**(ii) Audits.**

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

**III. Other Important Information**

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

Yours sincerely,

*Virginia Hormazabal*

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## Schedule 1 - Disbursement Provisions

Basic Information				
<b>Grant Number</b>	<b>Country</b>	<b>Co-Operative Republic of Guyana</b>	<b>Closing Date</b>	Section III. B.2. of Schedule 2 to the Grant Agreement
	<b>Recipient</b>	<b>Co-Operative Republic of Guyana</b>	<b>Disbursement Deadline Date</b>	Four (4) months after the closing date
TF0B6163-GY	<b>Name of the Project</b>	<b>COVID-19 Emergency Response Project – Additional Financing</b>	<i>Subsection 3.7 **</i>	
Disbursement Methods, and Supporting Documentation				
<b>Disbursement Methods</b> <i>Section 2 (**)</i>	<b>Methods Available</b>	<b>Supporting Documentation</b> <i>Subsections 4.3 and 4.4 (**)</i>		
Direct Payment	Yes	Copy of Records		
Reimbursement	Yes	Interim unaudited Financial Report (IFR), including a list of payments made against contract for which the Bank's Prior Review is required – please use the same IFR format and content being utilized for IDA 6802-GY		
Advance (into a Designated Account)	Yes	Interim unaudited Financial Report (IFR), including a list of payments made against contract for which the Bank's Prior Review is required – please use the same IFR format and content being utilized for IDA 6802-GY		
Special Commitments	Yes	Copy of Letter of Credit		
Designated Account (Section 5 and 6 **)				
<b>Type</b>	Pooled with resources from the Original and Additional Financings under the same project		<b>Ceiling</b>	Variable
<b>Financial Institution - Name</b>	Bank of Guyana		<b>Currency</b>	USD
<b>Frequency of Reporting, Subsection 6.3 (**)</b>	Quarterly		<b>Amount</b>	Based on an expenditure forecast for a six-month period
Minimum Value of Applications (subsection 3.5)				
Due to the Special Provision no minimum value of applications has been set.				
Authorized Signatures (Subsection 3.1 and 3.2 **)				
Withdrawal and Documentation Applications (Subsection 3.3 and 3.4 **)				
<p><b>Authorized Signatures:</b> A letter should be furnished to the Association at the address indicated below providing the name(s) and specimen signature(s) of the official(s) authorized to sign Applications:</p> <p style="text-align: right;">                     The World Bank                      1818 H Street, N.W.                      Washington, DC 20433, USA                      Attention: Mrs. Lilia Burunciuc, Director, Caribbean                 </p>				

**Applications:** Completed Applications for withdrawal, together with supporting documents, should be provided through the Association's Client Connection, web-based portal, following the instructions for electronic delivery. In the case the Recipient does not have internet access, the Association may permit the delivery of Applications for withdrawal, together with supporting documents, to the following address:

Banco Mundial  
SCN Quadra 02, Lote A  
Ed. Corporate Financial Center, 7º andar  
70712-900, Brasília, D.F. – Brazil  
Attention: Loan Operations

**Additional Information/Instructions**

N/A

**Other**

N/A

**\*\* Sections and subsections indicated relate to the *Disbursement Guidelines for Investment Project Financing dated February 2017*.**