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LOAN NUMBER 3769 LE

Loan Agreement

(Irrigation Rehabilitation and Modernization Project)

between

LEBANESE REPUBLIC

and

INTERNATIONAL BANK FOR RECONSTRUCTION
AND DEVELOPMENT

Dated August 10, 1994

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LOAN AGREEMENT

AGREEMENT, dated August 10, 1994, between LEBANESE REPUBLIC (the Borrower) and INTERNATIONAL BANK FOR RECONSTRUCTION AND DEVELOPMENT (the Bank).

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 Bank to assist in the financing of the Project; and

(B) the Project will be carried out by the Council for Development and Reconstruction (CDR) with the Borrower's assistance and, as part of such assistance, the Borrower will make available to CDR the proceeds of the Loan as provided in this Agreement;

WHEREAS the Bank has agreed, on the basis, inter alia, of the foregoing, to extend the Loan to the Borrower upon the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement and in the Project Agreement of even date herewith between the Bank and CDR;

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

(a) The last sentence of Section 3.02 is deleted.

(b) In Section 6.02, sub-paragraph (k) is re-lettered as sub-paragraph (l) and a new sub-paragraph (k) is added to read:

"(k) An extraordinary situation shall have arisen under which any further withdrawals under the Loan would be inconsistent with the provisions of Article III, Section 3 of the Bank's Articles of Agreement."

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) "CDR" means the Council for Development and Reconstruction, a public authority established and operating pursuant to Legislative Decree No. 5 of the Borrower, dated January 31, 1977, as the same may be amended from time to time;

(b) "CDR's Basic Legislation" means Legislative Decree No. 5 of the Borrower, dated January 31, 1977, as the same may be amended from time to time, Decree No. 433 of the Borrower, dated September 19, 1977, as the same may be amended from time to time, and Decree No. 2981 of the Borrower, dated May 9, 1980, as the same may be amended from time to time;

(c) "Project Agreement" means the agreement between the Bank and CDR of even date herewith, as the same may be amended from time to time, and such term includes all schedules and agreements supplemental to the Project Agreement;

(d) "Subsidiary Agreement" means the agreement to be entered into between the Borrower and CDR pursuant to Section 3.01 (b) of this Agreement, as the same may be amended from time to time, and such term includes all schedules to the Subsidiary Agreement;

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

(f) "Central Bank" means Banque du Liban, the Borrower's central bank, established and operating pursuant to the Money and Credit Law promulgated by Decree No. 13513 of the Borrower, dated August 1, 1963, as the same may be amended from time to time;

(g) "MOF" means the Ministry of Finance of the Borrower;

(h) "MOHER" means the Ministry of Hydraulic and Electric Resources of the Borrower;

(i) "MOA" means the Ministry of Agriculture of the Borrower;

(j) "LRA" means the Litani River Authority, a public authority established and operating under the administrative supervision of MOHER pursuant to Law No. 61 of the Borrower, dated August 14, 1954, as the same may be amended from time to time;

(k) "GP" means the Green Plan, a public authority established and operating under the administrative supervision of MOA pursuant to Decree No. 13785 of the Borrower, dated September 9, 1963, as the same may be amended from time to time;

(l) "ARIL" means the Agricultural Research Institute of Lebanon, a public authority established and operating under the administrative supervision of MOA pursuant to Legislative Decree No. 155 of the Borrower, dated June 12, 1959, as the same may be amended from time to time;

(m) "WA" means any one of the water authorities presently existing

in the Borrower's territory, all of which are established and operating under the administrative supervision of MOHER, and this term shall include any and all successor water authorities thereto;

(n) "Irrigation Scheme" means, in respect of each WA, an irrigation scheme which is under the jurisdiction of such WA, and this term shall include all distribution canals, pipes, drains, feeder roads, pumping stations and miscellaneous structures located within such Irrigation Scheme, as the same may be extended and improved from time to time;

(o) "Water Charges" means charges owed to the WAs for water distributed through the WAs' Irrigation Schemes for irrigation purposes;

(p) "ERRP" means the Emergency Reconstruction and Rehabilitation Project (Loan No. 3562 LE); and

(q) "Fiscal Year" means the fiscal year of the Borrower commencing on January 1 and ending on December 31.

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 fifty-seven million two hundred thirty thousand dollars (\$57,230,000), being 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 for expenditures made (or, if the Bank shall so agree, to be made) in respect of the reasonable cost of goods, works and services required for the Project described in Schedule 2 to this Agreement and to be financed out of the proceeds of the Loan.

(b) The Borrower shall, for the purposes of the Project, open and maintain in dollars a special deposit account in the Central Bank 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 4 to this Agreement.

Section 2.03. The Closing Date shall be June 30, 2001 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 practicable 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 at the rates applicable during such Interest Period."

"(b) As soon as practicable 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 semi-annually on March 1 and September 1 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 3 to this Agreement.

Section 2.08. CDR is designated as 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.

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, without any limitation or restriction upon any of its other obligations under the Loan Agreement, shall cause CDR to perform in accordance with the provisions of the Project Agreement all the obligations of CDR therein set forth, shall take or cause to be taken all action, including the provision of funds, facilities, services and other resources, necessary or appropriate to enable CDR to perform such obligations, and shall not take or permit to be taken any action which would prevent or interfere with such performance.

(b) The Borrower shall make available as a grant the proceeds of the Loan to CDR under a subsidiary agreement to be entered into between the Borrower and CDR, under terms and conditions which shall have been approved by the Bank.

(c) The Borrower shall exercise its rights under the Subsidiary Agreement in such manner as to protect the interests of the Borrower and the Bank and to accomplish the purposes of the Loan, and, except as the Bank shall otherwise agree, the Borrower shall not assign, amend, abrogate or waive the Subsidiary Agreement or any provision thereof.

Section 3.02. Except as the Bank shall otherwise agree, procurement of the goods, works and consultants' services required for the Project and to be financed out of the proceeds of the Loan shall be governed by the

provisions of Schedule 1 to the Project Agreement.

Section 3.03. The Bank and the Borrower hereby agree that the obligations set forth in Sections 9.04, 9.05, 9.06, 9.07, 9.08 and 9.09 of the General Conditions (relating to insurance, use of goods and services, plans and schedules, records and reports, maintenance and land acquisition, respectively) shall be carried out by CDR pursuant to Section 2.03 of the Project Agreement.

Section 3.04. The Borrower shall select, from its investment program for the agriculture sector, sub-projects, to be financed out of the proceeds of the Loan, for the rehabilitation, operation and maintenance of the Irrigation Schemes referred to under Part A.1 (b) of the Project on the basis of criteria acceptable to the Bank, including those set forth in Schedule 5 to this Agreement.

ARTICLE IV

Financial Covenants

Section 4.01. (a) 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 sound accounting practices, records and accounts reflecting such expenditures;
 - (ii) ensure that all records (contracts, orders, invoices, bills, receipts and other documents) evidencing such expenditures are retained 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; and
 - (iii) enable the Bank's representatives to examine such records.
- (b) The Borrower shall:
- (i) have the records and accounts referred to in paragraph (a) (i) 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 available, but in any case not later than six (6) 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 Bank shall have reasonably requested, including 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; 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.

Section 4.02. The Borrower shall ensure that, upon completion of the rehabilitation works under Part A.1 (a) of the Project, Water Charges shall be set at levels sufficient to recover one hundred percent (100%) of the recurrent costs of operating and maintaining the Irrigation Schemes referred to under said Part A.1 (a) of the Project.

Section 4.03. Pending attainment of the operation and maintenance cost recovery targets referred to under Section 4.02 of this Agreement, and without limitation or restriction upon the provisions of Section 3.01 of this Agreement, the Borrower shall take all action necessary on its part to ensure that (a) budgetary allocations shall be made for each Fiscal Year,

in the relevant budget or budgets of its public agencies, in amounts sufficient to cover, in respect of Irrigation Schemes under Part A.1 of the Project, the shortfall, if any, in recovery by the WAs of the operation and maintenance costs of such schemes; and (b) funds shall be released in a timely manner to cover said shortfall.

ARTICLE V

Remedies of the Bank

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

(a) CDR shall have failed to perform any of its obligations under the Project Agreement;

(b) as a result of events which have occurred after the date of the Loan Agreement, an extraordinary situation shall have arisen which shall make it improbable that CDR will be able to perform its obligations under the Project Agreement;

(c) CDR's Basic Legislation shall have been amended, suspended, abrogated, repealed or waived so as to affect materially and adversely the ability of CDR to perform any of its obligations under the Project Agreement; and

(d) the Borrower or any other authority having jurisdiction shall have taken any action for the dissolution or disestablishment of CDR or for the suspension of its operations.

Section 5.02. Pursuant to Section 7.01 (h) of the General Conditions, the following additional events are specified:

(a) the event specified in paragraph (a) of Section 5.01 of this Agreement shall occur and shall continue for a period of sixty (60) days after notice thereof shall have been given by the Bank to the Borrower; and

(b) any event specified in paragraph (c) or (d) of Section 5.01 of this Agreement shall occur.

ARTICLE VI

Effectiveness; Termination

Section 6.01. The following are specified as additional matters, within the meaning of Section 12.02 (c) of the General Conditions, to be included in the opinion or opinions to be furnished to the Bank:

(a) that the Project Agreement has been duly authorized or ratified by CDR, and is legally binding upon CDR in accordance with its terms; and

(b) that the Subsidiary Agreement has been duly authorized or ratified by the Borrower and CDR and is legally binding upon the Borrower and CDR in accordance with its terms.

Section 6.02. 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 VII

Representatives of the Borrower; Addresses

Section 7.01. Except as provided in Section 2.08 of this Agreement, the Minister of Finance of the Borrower 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:

Minister of Finance
Ministry of Finance

Beirut, Lebanese Republic

Telex:

923.235.13

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	248423 (RCA)
Washington, D.C.	82987 (FTCC)
	64145 (WUI) or
	197688 (TRT)

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.

LEBANESE REPUBLIC

By /s/ Riad Tabbarah
Authorized Representative

INTERNATIONAL BANK FOR
RECONSTRUCTION AND DEVELOPMENT

By /s/ Tariq Husain
Acting Regional Vice President
Middle East and North Africa

SCHEDULE 1

Withdrawal of the Proceeds of the Loan

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

Category	Amount of the Loan Allocated (Expressed in Dollar Equivalent)	% of Expenditures to be Financed
(1) Civil works	34,270,000	80%
(2) Goods	10,490,000	100% of foreign expenditures, 100% of local expenditures (ex-factory cost) and 80%

		of local expen- ditures for other items procured locally
(3) Consultants' services, studies and training	8,180,000	100%
(4) Unallocated	4,290,000	
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TOTAL	57,230,000	
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2. For the purposes of this Schedule:

(a) the term "foreign expenditures" means expenditures in the currency of any country other than that of the Borrower for goods or services supplied from the territory of any country other than that of the Borrower; and

(b) the term "local expenditures" means expenditures in the currency of the Borrower or for goods or services supplied from the territory of the Borrower.

3. 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.

4. The Bank may require withdrawals from the Loan Account to be made on the basis of statements of expenditure for such expenditures for goods and services under contracts not exceeding \$50,000 equivalent, under such terms and conditions as the Bank shall specify by notice to the Borrower.

SCHEDULE 2

Description of the Project

The objectives of the Project are to increase agriculture-based income and employment in previously neglected rural areas, and achieve sustainable and improved management of water resources through (a) the rehabilitation and modernization of surface irrigation infrastructure; and (b) the provision of basic public services.

The Project consists of the following parts, subject to such modifications thereof as the Borrower and the Bank may agree upon from time to time to achieve such objectives:

Part A: Irrigation Infrastructure Rehabilitation and Modernization

1. Rehabilitation, operation and maintenance of:

(a) the Yammouneh, Qasmieh-Ras El Ain, Danniye, Akkar El-Bared and South Bekaa Irrigation Schemes; and

(b) other Irrigation Schemes.

2. Carrying out of feasibility studies for the rehabilitation of Irrigation Schemes referred to under Part A.1 (b) of the Project.

Part B: Irrigation Services

Strengthening the institutional capabilities of (i) MOHER and LRA to prepare designs for, and supervise the execution of, the rehabilitation works under Part A.1 of the Project, and to prepare feasibility studies under Part A.2 of the Project; (ii) GP to participate in the execution of rehabilitation works for small Irrigation Schemes under Part A.1 (b) of the Project; and (iii) the WAS to carry out operation and maintenance activities in respect of the Irrigation Schemes to be rehabilitated under Part A.1 of the Project.

Part C: Environmental Monitoring

Strengthening the institutional capabilities of MOHER and LRA to monitor the quality of groundwater aquifers and gather and interpret hydrological data.

Part D: Applied Research

Reinforcing the applied research capabilities of ARIL in the fields of (i) verification trials for new cereals, pulses, vegetables, and tree crops varieties and species; (ii) irrigation techniques; (iii) plant disease control; (iv) integrated pest management; and (v) soil investigation, mapping and classification.

Part E: Quality Control of Agricultural Inputs

Enhancing the capabilities of ARIL to control the quality of farm inputs with a view to rationalizing the use of pesticides and enforcing quality standards on agricultural produce.

Part F: On-Farm Technology Testing and Extension Services

Carrying out of (i) on-farm demonstrations and field tests of agricultural technologies relevant to farmers' needs; (ii) field seminars on topics of immediate concern to farmers; and (iii) studies to enhance marketing capacities.

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The Project is expected to be completed by December 31, 2000.

SCHEDULE 3

Amortization Schedule

Date Payment Due	Payment of Principal (expressed in dollars)*
March 1, 1999	1,360,000
September 1, 1999	1,410,000
March 1, 2000	1,460,000
September 1, 2000	1,515,000
March 1, 2001	1,570,000
September 1, 2001	1,625,000
March 1, 2002	1,685,000
September 1, 2002	1,745,000
March 1, 2003	1,810,000
September 1, 2003	1,875,000
March 1, 2004	1,945,000
September 1, 2004	2,015,000
March 1, 2005	2,085,000
September 1, 2005	2,160,000
March 1, 2006	2,240,000
September 1, 2006	2,320,000
March 1, 2007	2,405,000
September 1, 2007	2,495,000
March 1, 2008	2,585,000
September 1, 2008	2,680,000
March 1, 2009	2,775,000
September 1, 2009	2,875,000
March 1, 2010	2,980,000
September 1, 2010	3,090,000
March 1, 2011	3,205,000
September 1, 2011	3,320,000

* 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.

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	0.18
More than three years but not more than six years before maturity	0.35
More than six years but not more than 11 years before maturity	0.65
More than 11 years but not more than 15 years before maturity	0.88
More than 15 years before maturity	1.00

SCHEDULE 4

Special Account

1. For the purposes of this Schedule:

(a) the term "eligible Categories" means Categories (1), (2) and (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 Loan 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 equivalent to \$1,500,000 to be withdrawn from the Loan Account and deposited in the Special Account pursuant to paragraph 3 (a) of this Schedule.

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 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 in 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 paid out of the Special Account for eligible expenditures.

All such deposits shall be withdrawn by the Bank from the Loan 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 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 allocated to the eligible Categories, 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 allocated to the eligible Categories 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 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 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 sub-paragraphs 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.

SCHEDULE 5

Irrigation Schemes under Part A.1 (b) of the Project Selection Criteria and Procedures

The Borrower shall, in connection with each sub-project for the rehabilitation of an Irrigation Scheme referred to under Part A.1 (b) of the

Project, furnish to the Bank a feasibility study of the proposed sub-project. Sub-projects to be financed out of the proceeds of the Loan shall, inter alia:

- (a) have an internal economic rate of return equivalent to at least twelve percent (12%);
 - (b) promote community participation in the rehabilitation, operation and maintenance of the Irrigation Scheme;
 - (c) increase rural income;
 - (d) not have an adverse impact on the environment; and
 - (e) not involve involuntary relocation of local population.
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