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## Loan Agreement

(Telecommunications Reform and Privatization Support Project)

between

INTERNATIONAL BANK FOR RECONSTRUCTION AND DEVELOPMENT

and

GENERAL INSPECTORATE OF COMMUNICATIONS

Dated May 29, 1998

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# LOAN AGREEMENT

AGREEMENT, dated May 29, 1998, between the INTERNATIONAL BANK FOR RECONSTRUCTION AND DEVELOPMENT (the Bank) and the GENERAL INSPECTORATE OF COMMUNICATIONS (the Borrower).

WHEREAS (A) Romania (the Guarantor) and the Borrower, having been satisfied as to the feasibility and priority of the Project described in Schedule 2 to this Agreement, have requested the Bank to assist in the financing of the Project;

by an agreement (the Guarantee Agreement) of even date herewith between the Guarantor and the Bank, the Guarantor has agreed to guarantee the obligations of the Borrower in respect of the Loan and to undertake such other obligations as set forth in the Guarantee Agreement; and

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;

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 for Single Currency Loans" of the Bank, dated May 30, 1995, with the modifications set forth below (the General Conditions) constitute an integral part of this Agreement:

Section 6.03 is modified to read:

"Section 6.03. Cancellation by the Bank. If (a) the right of the Borrower to make withdrawals from the Loan Account shall have been suspended with respect to any amount of the Loan for a continuous period of thirty days, or (b) at any time, the Bank determines, after consultation with the Borrower, that an amount of the Loan will not be required to finance the Project's costs to be financed out of the proceeds of the Loan, or (c) at any time, the Bank determines, with respect to any contract to be financed out of the proceeds of the Loan, that corrupt or fraudulent practices were engaged in by representatives of the Borrower or of a beneficiary of the Loan during the procurement or the execution of contract, without the Borrower having taken timely and appropriate action the Bank to remedy the situation, and establishes the amount of satisfactory to such contract which would otherwise have been expenditures in respect of eligible for financing out of the proceeds of the Loan, or (d) at any time, the Bank determines that the procurement of any contract to be financed out of the proceeds of the Loan is inconsistent with the procedures set forth or in the Loan Agreement and establishes the amount of expenditures in respect of such contract which would otherwise have been eligible for financing out of the proceeds of the Loan, or (e) after the Closing Date, an amount of the Loan shall remain the Loan Account, or (f) the Bank shall have received notice from unwithdrawn from the Guarantor pursuant to Section 6.07 with respect to an amount of the Loan, the Bank may, by notice to the Borrower, terminate the right of the Borrower to make withdrawals with respect to such amount. Upon the giving of such notice the giving of such notice, such amount of the Loan shall be cancelled."

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) "GIC Decision" means the Decision on the Establishment of the General Inspectorate of Communications, No. 153, adopted by the Government of Romania on May 5, 1997;
- (b) "GIC Statutes" means the statutes of the Borrower, adopted through the GIC Decision and the corresponding resolution issued by the Borrower's Board of Directors on May 30, 1997;
- (c) "NSMS" means the national spectrum management system to be installed under Part B(2) of the Project described in Schedule 2 to this Agreement;
- (d) "Rom Telecom" means the Romanian Telecommunications Company, a joint stock company established pursuant to Decision No. 673 of the Government of Romania, dated October 25, 1997; and
- (e) "Special Account" means the account referred to in Section 2.02 (b) of this Agreement.

## 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, an amount equal to thirty million Dollars (\$30,000,000).

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 and services required for Parts B(2) and B(3) of the Project described in Schedule 2 to this Agreement and to be financed out of the proceeds of the Loan.

(b) The Borrower may, for the purposes of the Project, open and maintain in

Dollars a special deposit account in a commercial bank acceptable to the Bank on terms and conditions satisfactory to the Bank, including appropriate protection against set-off, seizure and attachment. 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, 2002, 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 LIBOR Base Rate plus LIBOR Total Spread.

- (b) For the purposes of this Section:
- (i) "Interest Period" means the initial period from and including the date of this Agreement to, but excluding, the first Interest Payment Date occurring thereafter, and, after the initial period, each period from and including an Interest Payment Date to, but excluding, the next following Interest Payment Date.
- (ii) "Interest Payment Date" means any date specified in Section 2.06 of this  ${\tt Agreement.}$
- (iii) "LIBOR Base Rate" means, for each Interest Period, the London interbank offered rate for six-month deposits in Dollars for value the first day of such Interest Period (or, in the case of the initial Interest Period, for value the Interest Payment Date occurring on or next preceding the first day of such Interest Period), as reasonably determined by the Bank and expressed as a percentage per annum.
- (iv) "LIBOR Total Spread" means, for each Interest Period: (A) one half of one percent (1/2 of 1%); (B) minus (or plus) the weighted average margin, for such Interest Period, below (or above) the London interbank offered rates, or other reference rates, for six-month deposits, in respect of the Bank's outstanding borrowings or portions thereof allocated by the Bank to fund single currency loans or portions thereof made by it that include the Loan; as reasonably determined by the Bank and expressed as a percentage per annum.
- (c) The Bank shall notify the Guarantor and the Borrower of LIBOR Base Rate and LIBOR Total Spread for each Interest Period, promptly upon the determination thereof.
- (d) Whenever, in light of changes in market practice affecting the determination of the interest rates referred to in this Section 2.05, the Bank determines that it is in the interest of its borrowers as a whole and of the Bank to apply a basis for determining the interest rates applicable to the Loan other than as provided in said Section, the Bank may modify the basis for determining the interest rates applicable to the Loan upon not less than six (6) months' notice to the Guarantor and the Borrower of the new basis. The basis shall become effective on the expiry of the notice period unless the Guarantor or the Borrower notifies the Bank during said period of its objection thereto, in which case said modification shall not apply to the Loan.

Section 2.06. Interest and other charges shall be payable semiannually on April 15 and October 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 3 to this Agreement.

## 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 Parts B(2) and B(3) of the Project with due diligence and efficiency and in conformity with appropriate administrative, financial, engineering, and public utility practices, and shall provide, promptly as needed, the funds, facilities, services and other resources required for the purpose.
- Section 3.02. Except as the Bank shall otherwise agree, procurement of the goods 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 4 to this Agreement.
- Section 3.03. For the purposes of Section 9.08 of the General Conditions and without limitation thereto, the Borrower shall:
- (a) prepare, on the basis of guidelines acceptable to the Bank and furnish to Bank 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 Bank, a plan to ensure the continued achievement of the Project's objectives; and
- (b) afford the Bank a reasonable opportunity to exchange views with the Borrower on said plan.

## ARTICLE IV

# Financial Covenants

- Section 4.01. (a) The Borrower shall maintain a financial management system, including records and accounts, and prepare financial statements, all in accordance with accounting practices acceptable to the Bank, consistently applied, adequate to reflect its operations and financial condition and to register separately the operations, resources and expenditures related to the Project.
  - (b) The Borrower shall:
- (i) have its records, accounts and financial statements (balance sheets, statements of income and expenses and related statements) and the records and accounts for the Special Account for each fiscal year audited, in accordance with auditing standards acceptable to the Bank, 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: (A) certified copies of the financial statements referred to in paragraph (a) above for such year as so audited; and (B) an opinion on such statements and a 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 such records, accounts and financial statements as well as the audit thereof, and concerning said auditors, 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, in accordance with paragraph (a) of this Section, records and separate 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 invoices, bills, receipts and other expenditures;

 $\begin{array}{c} \text{made, all records (contracts, orders,} \\ & \text{documents) evidencing such} \end{array}$ 

- (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.

Section 4.02. (a) Except as the Bank shall otherwise agree, the Borrower shall not incur any debt, unless the net revenues of the Borrower for the fiscal year immediately preceding the date of such incurrence or for a later twelve-month period ended prior to the date of such incurrence, whichever is the greater, shall be at least 1.5 times the estimated maximum debt service requirements of the Borrower for any succeeding fiscal year on all debt of the Borrower, including the debt to be incurred.

- (b) For the purposes of this Section:
- (i) The term "debt" means any indebtedness of the Borrower maturing by its terms more than one year after the date on which it is originally incurred.(ii)Debt shall be deemed to be incurred:
- (A) under a loan contract or agreement or other instrument providing for such debt or for the modification of its terms of payment on the date of such contract, agreement or instrument; and
- (B) under a guarantee agreement, on the date the agreement providing for such guarantee has been entered into.
  - (iii) The term "net revenues" means the difference between:
- (A) the sum of revenues from all sources related to operations adjusted to take account of the Borrower's license fees in effect at the time of the incurrence of debt even though they were not in effect during the twelve-month period to which such revenues relate and net non-operating income; and
- (B) the sum of all expenses related to operations including administration, adequate maintenance, taxes and payments in lieu of taxes, but excluding provision for depreciation, other non-cash operating charges and interest and other charges on debt.
  - (iv) The term "net non-operating income" means the difference between:
- $\mbox{(A)} \qquad \mbox{revenues from all sources other than those related to operations; and} \\$
- $\hbox{(B)} \qquad \hbox{expenses, including rates and payments in lieu of taxes,} \\ \hbox{incurred in} \qquad \qquad \hbox{the generation of revenues in (A) above.}$
- (v) The term "debt service requirements" means the aggregate amount of repayments (including sinking fund payments, if any) of, and interest and other charges on, debt.
- (vi) Whenever for the purposes of this Section it shall be necessary to value, in terms of the currency of the Guarantor, debt payable in another currency, such valuation shall be made on the basis of the prevailing lawful rate of exchange at which such other currency is, at the time of such valuation, obtainable for the purposes of servicing

such debt, or, in the absence of such rate, on the exchange acceptable to the Bank.

#### ARTICLE V

#### Other Covenants

#### Section 5.01. The Borrower shall:

- (a) carry on its operations and conduct its affairs in accordance with sound administrative, financial, engineering and public utility practices under the supervision of qualified and experienced management assisted by competent staff in adequate numbers;
- (b) at all times operate and maintain its plants, machinery, equipment and other property, and from time to time, promptly as needed, make all necessary repairs and renewals thereof, all in accordance with sound engineering, financial and public utility practices; and
- (c) take out and maintain with responsible insurers, or make other provision satisfactory to the Bank for, insurance against such risks and in such amounts as shall be consistent with appropriate practice.

Section 5.02. Throughout the installation of the NSMS, the Borrower shall maintain advisors in project management and engineering in a number and with qualifications, experience and terms of reference satisfactory to the Bank.

## Section 5.03. The Borrower shall:

- (a) maintain policies and procedures adequate to enable it to monitor and evaluate on an ongoing basis, in accordance with the indicators agreed upon between the Borrower and the Bank, the carrying out of Parts B(2) and B(3) of the Project and the achievement of the objectives thereof;
- (b) prepare, under terms of reference satisfactory to the Bank, and furnish to the Bank, on or about June 30, 2000, a report integrating the results of the monitoring and evaluation activities performed pursuant to paragraph (a) of this Section, on the progress achieved in the carrying out of Parts B(2) and B(3) of the Project during the period preceding the date of said report and setting out the measures recommended to ensure the efficient carrying out of Parts B(2) and B(3) of the Project and the achievement of the objectives thereof during the period following such date; and
- (c) review with the Bank, by September 30, 2000, or such later date as the Bank shall request, the report referred to in subparagraph (b) of this paragraph, and, thereafter, take all measures required to ensure the efficient completion of Parts B(2) and B(3) of the Project and the achievement of the objectives thereof, based on the conclusions and recommendations of the said report and the Bank views on the matter.

## ARTICLE VI

## Remedies of the Bank

Section 6.01. Pursuant to Section 6.02 (1) of the General Conditions, the following additional event is specified, namely, that the GIC Decision or the GIC Statutes shall have been amended, suspended, abrogated, repealed or waived so as to affect materially and adversely the ability of the Borrower to carry out Parts B(2) and B(3) of the Project and to perform any of its obligations under this Agreement.

# ARTICLE VII

## Effective Date; Termination

Section 7.01. The following event is specified as an additional condition to the effectiveness of the Loan Agreement within the meaning of Section 12.01 (c) of the General Conditions, namely, that advisors in project management and engineering, in a

number and with qualifications, experience and terms of reference satisfactory to the Bank, shall have been appointed to assist the Borrower in implementing and supervising Part B(2) of the Project.

Section 7.02. The date one hundred twenty (120) days after the date of this Agreement is hereby specified for the purposes of Section 12.04 of the General Conditions.

## ARTICLE VIII

Representative of the Borrower; Addresses

Section 8.01. The Director General of the Borrower is designated as representative of the Borrower for the purposes of Section 11.03 of the General Conditions.

Section 8.02. The following addresses are specified for the purposes of Section 11.01 of the General Conditions:

For the Borrower:

General Inspectorate of Communications Splaiul Independentei No. 202A, Sector 6 Bucharest, Romania

Telex:

10721-IGR

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 (MCI) or Washington, D.C. 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.

GENERAL INSPECTORATE OF COMMUNICATIONS

By /s/ Mircea Geoana

Authorized Representative

INTERNATIONAL BANK FOR RECONSTRUCTION AND DEVELOPMENT

By /s/ Kenneth G. Lay

#### 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:

		Amount of the Loan Allocated (Expressed in Dollars)	% of Expenditures to be Financed
(1)	Equipment and services under turnkey contract under Part B(2) of the Project	26,000,000	85%
(2)	Consultants' services		
	(a) Project management and engineering support	400,000	50%
	(b) Capacity building and training	400,000	40%
(3)	Unallocated	3,200,000	
	TOTAL	30,000,000	

- 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, except that withdrawals, in an aggregate amount not exceeding the equivalent of \$3,000,000 may be made on account of payments made for expenditures before that date but after January 1, 1998.
- 3. The Bank may require withdrawals from the Loan Account to be made on the basis of statements of expenditure for expenditures for: (i) training, and (ii) contracts costing less than \$100,000 equivalent each for the employment of consulting firms, and \$50,000 equivalent each for the employment of individual consultants, 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: (i) assist Romania in reforming the telecommunications sector and privatizing existing public sector telecommunications facilities; (ii) provide the infrastructure to enable the Borrower to maximize the productive use of the radio frequency spectrum and to improve frequency assignment criteria for the further expansion of wireless communications services provision by the private sector; and (iii) support the Borrower in performing regulatory functions over all networks and services in the telecommunications sector.

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: Telecommunications Sector Reform

- (1) Development of a policy, legal and regulatory framework for the telecommunications sector through the provision of technical assistance and training.
- (2) Privatization of Rom Telecom through the provision of technical assistance and

training.

## Part B: Regulatory Agency Development

- (1) Expansion of the regulatory competencies of the Borrower as the independent regulatory agency for the telecommunications sector.
- (2) Support to the independent regulatory agency through the provision of technical assistance, and the installation of a national spectrum management system.
- (3) Project implementation support for the Borrower through the provision of technical assistance for project management and engineering, the regulatory development program, and market-based licensing, and training in spectrum management and related services.

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

## SCHEDULE 3

## Amortization Schedule

Date Payment Due	Payment of Principal (expressed in Dollars)*
Date Payment Due  October 15, 2003 April 15, 2004 October 15, 2004 April 15, 2005 October 15, 2005 April 15, 2006 October 15, 2006 April 15, 2007 October 15, 2007 April 15, 2008 October 15, 2008 October 15, 2009 April 15, 2009 October 15, 2010 April 15, 2010 October 15, 2011 April 15, 2011 October 15, 2011 April 15, 2012 April 15, 2013 October 15, 2013	
April 15, 2014	1,170,000
October 15, 2014	1,205,000
April 15, 2015	1,245,000
October 15, 2015	1,280,000
April 15, 2016	1,320,000
October 15, 2016	1,355,000
April 15, 2017	1,395,000
October 15, 2017	1,440,000
April 15, 2018	1,485,000

<sup>\*</sup> The figures in this column represent the amount in Dollars to be repaid, except as provided in Sections 4.04 (d) of the General Conditions.

## SCHEDULE 4

Procurement

Section I. Procurement of Goods

#### Part A: General

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 September 1997 (the Guidelines) and the following provisions of this Section.

## Part B: International Competitive Bidding

- 1. Goods and related services for the NSMS under Part B(2) of the Project shall be procured under a turnkey contract awarded in accordance with the provisions of Section II of the Guidelines and paragraph 5 of Appendix 1 thereto.
- 2. The bidding procedure for the contract for the NSMS shall be carried out in two stages in accordance with the provisions of paragraph 2.6 of the Guidelines.

#### Part C: Review by the Bank 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 Bank for its review and approval, in accordance with the provisions of paragraph 1 of Appendix 1 to the Guidelines. Procurement of all goods shall be undertaken in accordance with such procurement plan as shall have been approved by the Bank, and with the provisions of said paragraph 1.

#### 2. Prior Review

With respect to the contract awarded for the NSMS, 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

Consultants' services shall be procured in accordance with 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 (the Consultant Guidelines) and the following provisions of Section II of this Schedule.

# Part B: Quality-and Cost-based Selection

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.

# Part C: Other Procedures for the Selection of Consultants

# 1. Least-cost Selection

Market-based licensing services under Part B(3) of the Project estimated to cost less than \$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. Individual Consultants

Services for tasks that meet the requirements set forth in paragraph 5.1 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.

Part D: Review by the Bank 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 Bank 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 Bank, 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 \$200,000 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 \$100,000 or more, but less than the equivalent of \$200,000, 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 \$50,000 or more, the qualifications, experience, terms of reference and terms of employment of the consultants shall be furnished to the Bank 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 1 of this Part, the procedures set forth in paragraph 4 of Appendix 1 to the Consultant Guidelines shall apply.

## SCHEDULE 5

## Special Account

- 1. For the purposes of this Schedule:
- (a) the term "eligible Categories" means Categories (1) and (2) 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 equal to \$1,000,000 to be withdrawn from the Loan Account and deposited into the Special Account pursuant to paragraph 3 (a) of this Schedule, provided, however, that unless the Bank shall otherwise agree, the Authorized Allocation shall be limited to an amount equal to \$500,000 until the aggregate amount of withdrawals from the Loan Account plus the total amount of all outstanding special commitments entered into by the Bank pursuant to Section 5.02 of the General Conditions shall be equal to or exceed the equivalent of \$3,000,000.
- 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 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 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 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.
- Prior to or at the time of each such request, the Borrower shall (ii) the Bank the documents and other evidence required pursuant furnish to 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;
- (b) if the Borrower shall have failed to furnish to the Bank, 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 Bank pursuant to said Section in respect of the audit of the records and accounts for the Special Account;
- (c) if, at any time, the Bank 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 Loan Account pursuant to the provisions of Section 6.02 of the General Conditions; or
- (d) once the total unwithdrawn amount of the Loan allocated to the eligible Categories, minus the total amount of all outstanding special commitments 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 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.