CREDIT NUMBER 2672 EGT

Development Credit Agreement

(Irrigation Improvement Project)

between

ARAB REPUBLIC OF EGYPT

and

INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION

Dated November 27, 1995

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DEVELOPMENT CREDIT AGREEMENT

AGREEMENT, dated November 27, 1995, between ARAB REPUBLIC OF EGYPT (the Borrower) and 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;

- the Borrower has also requested the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (the Bank) to provide additional assistance towards the financing of the Project and by an agreement of even date herewith between the Borrower and the Bank (the Loan Agreement), the Bank is agreeing to provide such assistance in an aggregate principal amount equivalent to twenty-six million seven hundred thousand dollars (\$26,700,000) (the Loan);
- the Borrower and the Association intend, to the extent practicable, that the proceeds of the Credit provided for in this Agreement be disbursed on account of expenditures in respect of the Project before disbursements of the proceeds of the Loan provided for in the Loan Agreement are made;
- the Borrower intends to contract from other sources of finance (the Cofinanciers) loans and grants in an aggregate amount equivalent to about \$49,000,000 to assist in financing

the Project on the terms and conditions set forth in agreements (the Cofinanciers' Agreements) to be entered into between the Borrower and the Confinanciers; 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, with the last sentence of Section 3.02 deleted (the General Conditions) constitute an integral part of this 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) "Loan Agreement" means the agreement of even date herewith between the Borrower and the Bank for the Project, as such agreement may be amended from time to time, and such term includes the "General Conditions Applicable to Loan and Guarantee Agreements" of the Bank, dated January 1, 1985, as applied to such agreement, and all agreements supplemental to the Loan Agreement;
- (b) "Special Account" means the account referred to in Section 2.02 (b) of this Agreement;
- (c) "MPW" means the Borrower's Ministry of Public Works and Water Resources;
- (d) "Irrigation and Drainage Law" means the Borrower's Law No. 12 of 1984, as amended; and
- (e) "WUGs" means the Water User Groups to be organized under the Irrigation and Drainage Law.

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 thirty-five million seven hundred thousand Special Drawing Rights (SDR 35,700,000).

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 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 a commercial bank, acceptable to the Association, on terms and conditions satisfactory to the Association, including appropriate protection against set-off, seizure or 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 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 cancelled; 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 June 15 and December 15 in each year.

- Section 2.07. (a) Subject to paragraphs (b) and (c) below, the Borrower shall repay the principal amount of the Credit in semi-annual installments payable on each June 15 and December 15 commencing June 15, 2005 and ending December 15, 2029. Each installment to and including the installment payable on December 15, 2014 shall be one and one-fourth percent (1-1/4%) of such principal amount, and each installment thereafter shall be two and one-half percent (2-1/2%) of such principal amount.
- Whenever: (i) the Borrower's gross national product per capita, as determined by the Association, shall have exceeded \$790 in constant 1985 dollars for five consecutive years; 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 terms of repayment of installments under paragraph (a) above by 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. If so requested by the Borrower, the Association may revise such modification 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.
- (c) 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 with due diligence and efficiency and in conformity with appropriate engineering, financial, environmental and administrative 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 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, works and consultants' services required for the Project and to be financed out of the proceeds of the Credit and the Loan shall be governed by the provisions of Schedule 3 to this Agreement.

ARTICLE IV

Financial and Other 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 nine months after the end of each such year, a certified copy of the report of such audit by said auditors, of such scope and in such detail as the Association shall have reasonably requested; and
- (iii) furnish to the Association such other information concerning said records, 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 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 dealt with 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. The Borrower shall ensure the issuance, by June 30, 1995, in accordance with the Irrigation and Drainage Law, of regulations providing for the recovery from farmers of the cost of pumps installed at Tertiary Canal Intake over a period not exceeding five years, and of the cost of civil works associated with the construction of Tertiaris (Meskas) over a period of not less than ten years but not more than twenty years, calculated to take into account each farmer's capacity to pay in accordance with guidelines agreed with the Association.

Section 4.03. The Borrower shall ensure: (a) the application of measures to prevent Bilharzia snails from reinfecting the drains; and (b) the preparation, by MPW's Water Research Center, in collaboration with the Borrower's Ministry of Health, and the furnishing to the Association of annual reports on the prevalence of the Bilharzia disease and on the use of mulluscicides to destroy Bilharzia snails in the Borrower's Governorates of Beheira and Kafr El-Sheikh.

Section 4.04. Without limitation upon the provisions of Article IX of the General Conditions, the Borrower shall:

- (a) prepare and furnish to the Association, not later than six (6) months after the Closing Date, or such later date as may be agreed between the Borrower and the Association, a plan, prepared on the basis of guidelines satisfactory to the Association, for the future operation of the Project;
- (b) afford the Association a reasonable opportunity to exchange views with the Borrower on said plan; and
- (c) thereafter, carry out said plan with due diligence and efficiency and in accordance with appropriate practices, taking into account the Association's comments thereon.

ARTICLE V

Remedies of the Association

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

(a) The Cofinanciers' Agreements shall have failed to

become effective by September 30, 1995, or such later date as the Association may agree; provided, however, that the provisions of this paragraph shall not apply if the Borrower establishes to the satisfaction of the Association that adequate funds for the Project are available to the Borrower from other sources on terms and conditions consistent with the obligations of the Borrower under this Agreement.

- (b) (i) Subject to subparagraph (ii) of this paragraph:
 - (A) the right of the Borrower to withdraw the proceeds of any loan or grant made to the Borrower for the financing of the project shall have been suspended, cancelled or terminated in whole or in part, pursuant to the terms thereof; or
 - (B) any such loan shall have become due and payable prior to the agreed maturity thereof.
 - (ii) Subparagraph (i) of this paragraph shall not apply if the Borrower establishes to the satisfaction of the Association that: (A) such suspension, cancellation, termination or prematuring is not caused by the failure of the Borrower to perform any of its obligations under such agreement; and (B) adequate funds for the Project are available to the Borrower from other sources on terms and conditions consistent with the obligations of the Borrower under this Agreement.

Section 5.02. Pursuant to Section 7.01 (d) of the General Conditions, the following additional event is specified, namely, that the event specified in paragraph (b) (i) (B) of Section 5.01 of this Agreement shall occur, subject to the proviso of paragraph (b) (ii) of that Section.

ARTICLE VI

Effective Date; Termination

Section 6.01. The following event is specified as an additional condition to the effectiveness of the Development Credit Agreement within the meaning of Section 12.01 (b) of the General Conditions, namely, that all conditions precedent to the effectiveness of the Loan Agreement, have been fulfilled, other than the effectiveness of this Agreement.

Section 6.02. The date 120 days after the date of this Agreement is hereby specified for the purposes of Section 12.04 of the General Conditions.

Section 6.03. The obligations of the Borrower under Sections 4.03 and 4.04 of this Agreement shall cease and terminate on the date on which this Agreement shall terminate or on the date twenty years after the date of this Agreement, whichever shall be the earlier.

ARTICLE VII

Representative of the Borrower; Addresses

Section 7.01. The Minister of State for International Cooperation of the Borrower's Ministry of International Cooperation or the First Undersecretary for International Finance of said Ministry 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:

Ministry of International Cooperation (International Finance Sector) 8 Adly Street Cairo, Egypt

Cable address: Telex:

MINISTRY OF INTERNATIONAL 927-23348

COOPERATION

Cairo

For the Association:

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

Cable address: Telex:

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

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

ARAB REPUBLIC OF EGYPT

By /s/ Ahmed Maher El-Sayed
Authorized Representative

INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION

By /s/ Caio Koch-Weser

Regional Vice President Middle East and North Africa

SCHEDULE 1

Withdrawal of the Proceeds of the Credit and Loan

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

Amount Amount
of the of the
Loan Credit % of
Allocated Allocated Expendi(Expressed (Expressed tures

Category		in Dollar Equivalent)	in SDR Equivalent)	to be Financed
(1)	Works	20,000,000	27,500,000	70%
(2)	Goods	5,000,000	6,700,000	100% of foreign expendi-tures, 100% of local expendi-tures (exfactory cost) and 80% of local expenditures for other items procured locally
(3)	Consultants' services and training	-	100,000	100%
(4)	Unallocated	1,700,000	1,400,000	
	TOTAL	26,700,000	35,700,000 =======	

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 Association may require withdrawals from the Credit Account to be made on the basis of statements of expenditure for expenditures for goods, works and services under contracts not exceeding the equivalent of \$300,000, \$1,000,000 and \$50,000, respectively, under such terms and conditions as the Association shall specify by notice to the Borrower.

SCHEDULE 2

Description of the Project

The objectives of the Project are to: (a) increase agricultural production and farmers' incomes within the three irrigation command areas of the Mahmoudia Irrigation Canal in the Borrower's Governorate of Beheira, and of the Manaifa and El Wasat Irrigation Canals in the Borrower's Governorate of Kafr El-Sheikh, through (i) upgrading of irrigation services, (ii) increasing of water use efficiency, (iii) transferring of responsibility for operation and management of the tertiary system to farmers, and (iv) improving of communications among farmers, technical staff and policy makers; and (b) strengthen the planning and implementation capacity of MPW.

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 objectives:

Part A: Irrigation Works

- 1. Improvement of main and secondary canals delivery systems through: (a) concrete lining and slope stabilization; (b) replacement of deteriorated old structures; (c) installation of downstream control gates, cross regulators and distributors on main and secondary canals; and (d) installation of pumps on selected locations for reuse of controlled quantities of drainage effluent and water supplies from rice fields mixed with fresh water to meet water deficit.
- 2. Improvement of the tertiary system through: (a) provision of single lift pumping stations at the intake of tertiary laterals, and (b) construction of lined tertiaries and covered PVC piped tertiary laterals.

Part B: Irrigation Advisory Services

Establishment of centers for irrigation advisory services to assist initially in organizing water user groups (WUGs) and subsequently to provide the WUGs with technical support for maintenance of laterals and pumps, and with training in financial management.

Part C: Environmental Assessment and Management

- 1. Strengthening of the environmental assessment and management capacity of MPW through the provision of technical services and training.
- 2. Development of environmental guidelines for irrigation development.
- 3. Monitoring of water quality.
- 4. Implementation of a program to train farmers in the proper storage, handling and use of pesticides.

Part D: On-farm Irrigation Management Demonstration Program

Carrying out of demonstrations of proven technologies to improve on-farm irrigation management in areas such as land levelling, soil conditioning, irrigation scheduling and determination of the quantity and size of irrigation streams.

Part E: Communications

Carrying out of a communication program to improve awareness by the general public, technical staff and managers of the importance of water conservation and of preservation of water quality.

Part F: Staff Training

Development and implementation of a staff training program to upgrade the technical skills of staff involved in irrigation development.

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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 and Works

Part A: International Competitive Bidding

1. Except as provided in Part C hereof, goods and works shall

be procured under contracts awarded in accordance with procedures consistent with those set forth in Sections I and II of the "Guidelines for Procurement under IBRD Loans and IDA Credits" published by the Bank in May 1992 (the Guidelines) and in accordance with the following additional procedures:

- When contract award is delayed beyond the original bid validity period, such period may be extended once, subject to and in accordance with the provisions of paragraph 2.59 of the Guidelines, by the minimum amount of time required to complete the evaluation, obtain necessary approvals and clearances and award the contract. The bid validity period may be extended a second time only if the bidding documents or the request for extension shall provide for appropriate adjustment of the bid price to reflect changes in the cost of inputs for the contract over the period of extension. Such an increase in the bid price shall not be taken into account in the bid evaluation. With respect to each contract made subject to the Association's prior review in accordance with the provisions of Part D.2 (a) of this Section, the Association's prior approval will be required for (i) a first extension of the bid validity period if the period of extension exceeds sixty (60) days and (ii) any subsequent extension of the bid validity period.
- (b) In the procurement of goods and works in accordance with this Part A, the Borrower shall use the relevant standard bidding documents issued by the Association, with such modifications thereto as the Association shall have agreed to be necessary for the purposes of the Project.
- 2. Bidders for works shall be prequalified as provided in paragraph 2.10 of the Guidelines.

Part B: Preference for Domestic Manufacturers

In the procurement of goods in accordance with the procedures described in Part A hereof, goods manufactured in the Arab Republic of Egypt may be granted a margin of preference in accordance with, and subject to, the provisions of paragraphs 2.55 and 2.56 of the Guidelines and paragraphs 1 through 4 of Appendix 2 thereto.

Part C: Other Procurement Procedures

- 1. Goods for downstream control automatic gates and telemetry systems, up to an aggregate amount equivalent to \$1,000,000, may be procured under contracts awarded through limited international bidding procedures on the basis of evaluation and comparison of bids invited from a list, acceptable to the Association of qualified suppliers eligible under the Guidelines, in accordance with the procedures set forth in Sections I and II of the Guidelines (excluding paragraphs 2.8, 2.9, 2.55, 2.56 thereof).
- 2. Goods, estimated to cost the equivalent of \$120,000 or less per contract, up to an aggregate amount equivalent to \$1,000,000, may be procured under contracts awarded on the basis of comparison of price quotations obtained from at least three suppliers from at least two different countries eligible under the Guidelines, in accordance with procedures acceptable to the Association.
- 3. Goods estimated to cost the equivalent of \$60,000 or less per contract, up to an aggregate amount equivalent to \$1,000,000, may be procured under contracts awarded on the basis of comparison of price quotations obtained from at least three suppliers eligible under the Guidelines, in accordance with procedures acceptable to the Association.
- 4. Contracts for goods which the Borrower and the Bank agree are available from a single source of supply or need to be compatible with installed equipment, may be awarded after

direct negotiations with suppliers, in accordance with procedures acceptable to the Association.

- 5. Works for service centers and office, housing and other building facilities, estimated to cost the equivalent of \$250,000 or less per contract, up to an aggregate amount equivalent to \$2,300,000, may be procured under contracts awarded on the basis of competitive bidding, advertised locally, in accordance with procedures satisfactory to the Association and the Bank.
- Part D: Review by the Association of Procurement Decisions
- 1. Review of Prequalification:

With respect to the prequalification of bidders as provided in Part A.2 hereof, the procedures set forth in paragraph 1 of Appendix 1 to the Guidelines shall apply.

- 2. Review of invitations to bid and of proposed awards and final contracts:
- (a) With respect to each contract for works estimated to cost the equivalent of \$1,000,000 or more and for goods estimated to cost the equivalent of \$300,000 or more, the procedures set forth in paragraphs 2 and 4 of Appendix 1 to the Guidelines shall apply. Where payments for such contract are to be made out of the Special Account, such procedures shall be modified to ensure that the two conformed copies of the contract required to be furnished to the Association pursuant to said paragraph 2 (d) shall be furnished to the Association prior to the making of the first payment out of the Special Account in respect of such contract.
- (b) With respect to each contract not governed by the preceding paragraph, the procedures set forth in paragraphs 3 and 4 of Appendix 1 to the Guidelines shall apply. Where payments for such contract are to be made out of the Special Account such procedures shall be modified to ensure that the two conformed copies of the contract together with the other information required to be furnished to the Association pursuant to said paragraph 3 shall be furnished to the Association as part of the evidence to be furnished pursuant to paragraph 4 of Schedule 5 to this Agreement.
- (c) The provisions of the preceding subparagraph (b) shall not apply to contracts on account of which withdrawals from the Credit Account are to be made on the basis of statements of expenditure.
- 3. The figure of 20% is hereby specified for purposes of paragraph 4 of Appendix 1 to the Guidelines.

Section II. Employment of Consultants

- 1. Consultants' services shall be procured under contracts awarded to consultants whose qualifications, experience and terms and conditions of employment shall be satisfactory to the Association. Such consultants shall be selected in accordance with principles and procedures satisfactory to the Association on the basis of the "Guidelines for the Use of Consultants by World Bank Borrowers and by the World Bank as Executing Agency" published by the Bank in August 1981 (the Consultant Guidelines). For complex, time-based assignments, the Borrower shall employ such consultants under contracts using the standard form of contract for consultants' services issued by the Association, with such modifications as shall have been agreed by the Association. Where no relevant standard contract documents have been issued by the Association, the Borrower shall use other standard forms agreed with the Association.
- 2. Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph 1 of this

Section, the provisions of the Consultant Guidelines requiring prior Association review or approval of budgets, short lists, selection procedures, letters of invitation, proposals, evaluation reports and contracts, shall not apply to (a) contracts for the employment of consulting firms estimated to cost less than \$100,000 equivalent each or (b) contracts for the employment of individuals estimated to cost less than \$50,000 equivalent each. However, said exceptions to prior Association review shall not apply to (a) the terms of reference for such contracts, (b) single-source selection of consulting firms, (c) assignments of a critical nature, as reasonably determined by the Association, (d) amendments to contracts for the employment of consulting firms raising the contract value to \$120,000 equivalent or above, or (e) amendments to contracts for the employment of individual consultants raising the contract value to \$60,000 equivalent or above.

SCHEDULE 4

Implementation Program

- 1. Overall responsibility for the carrying out of the Project shall be assigned by the Borrower to MPW. For this purpose, the Borrower shall continue to maintain: (a) with staff and other resources and terms of reference satisfactory to the Association, within MPW's Irrigation Improvement Project Directorate, a Project execution section headed by a qualified Project Director and consisting of two units one for construction and procurement and the other for finance; and (b) arrangements, satisfactory to the Association, for ensuring close cooperation in the carrying out of the Project between MPW and the Borrower's Ministry of Agriculture and Land Reclamation.
- 2. In order to facilitate the efficient execution of the Project, the Borrower shall continue to maintain, with staff and other resources and terms of reference satisfactory to the Association:
- (a) for ensuring overall coordination of Project activities and the provision of policy guidance in respect thereof, a technical coordinating committee chaired by the Chairman of MPW's Irrigation Department and composed of representatives from MPW's Water Research Center and Drainage Research Institute, and the Soil and Water Research Institute of the Borrower's Ministry of Agriculture and Land Reclamation; and
- (b) for ensuring coordination of Project execution within each of the Borrower's Governorates of Beheira and Kafr El-Sheikh, a local coordinating committee for each such Governorate chaired by MPW's Undersecretary for Irrigation and composed of the field director for such Governorate of MPW's Irrigation Improvement Project Directorate, the respective representatives in such Governorate of MPW's Irrigation Advisory Service, and the Undersecretary for Agriculture of the Borrower's Ministry of Agriculture and Land Reclamation.
- 3. In order to assist the Borrower in the carrying out of the Project, the Borrower shall employ consultants with qualifications and terms of reference satisfactory to the Association.

4. The Borrower shall:

- (a) maintain policies and procedures adequate to enable it to monitor and evaluate, on an ongoing basis, in accordance with indicators satisfactory to the Association, the carrying out of the Project and the achievement of the objectives thereof;
 - (b) prepare, under terms of reference satisfactory to the

Association, and furnish to the Association, on or about December 31, 1998, a report integrating the results of the monitoring and evaluation activities performed pursuant to subparagraph (a) of this paragraph, on the progress achieved in the carrying out 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 the Project and the achievement of the objectives thereof during the period following such date; and

(c) review with the Association, by March 31, 1999, or such later date as may be agreed between the Borrower and the Association, the said report, and, thereafter, take all measures required to ensure the efficient completion of the Project and the achievement of the objectives thereof, based on the conclusions and recommendations of the said report and the Association's views on the matter.

SCHEDULE 5

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 the Development Credit 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 or the Loan allocated from time to time to the eligible Categories in accordance with the provisions of Schedule 1 to the Development Credit Agreement; and
- (c) the term "Authorized Allocations" means an amount equivalent to \$3,000,000 to be withdrawn from the Credit Account or the Loan 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 \$1,000,000 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 \$5,000,000.
- 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 Accounts has been duly opened, withdrawals of the Authorized Allocations and subsequent withdrawals to replenish the Special Accounts shall be made as follows:
- (a) For withdrawals of the Authorized Allocations, the Borrower shall furnish to the Association a request or requests for a deposit or deposits which do not exceed the aggregate amount of the Authorized Allocations. On the basis of such request or requests, the Association shall, on behalf of the Borrower, withdraw from the Credit Account or 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 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 or 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 Association from the Credit Account or 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 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, paragraph (a) of Section 2.02 of the Development Credit Agreement or from the Loan Account in accordance with the provisions of Section 2.02 of the Loan Agreement and Article V of the General Conditions applicable thereto; or
- (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 or the Loan Account pursuant to the provisions of Section 6.02 of the applicable General Conditions; or
- (d) once the total unwithdrawn amount of the Credit and the Loan allocated to the eligible Categories for the Project, less the amount of any outstanding special commitment entered into by the Association or the Bank pursuant to Section 5.02 of the respective 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 and the Loan Account of the remaining unwithdrawn amount of the Credit and the Loan allocated to the eligible Categories for the Project 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 foran 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 or the Bank) 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 or the Bank such outstanding amount.
- (c) The Borrower may, upon notice to the Association, refund to the Association or the Bank all or any portion of the funds on deposit in the Special Account.
- (d) Refunds to the Association or the Bank made pursuant to paragraphs 6 (a), (b) and (c) of this Schedule shall be credited to the Credit Account or the Loan Account, as the case may be, for subsequent withdrawal or for cancellation in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Development Credit Agreement or the Loan Agreement, including the General Conditions applicable thereto.