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Financing Agreement

(Additional Financing for Ebola Emergency Response Project)

between

REPUBLIC OF SIERRA LEONE

and

INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION

Dated 20th NOV., 2014

FINANCING AGREEMENT

20th November

AGREEMENT dated 20th November 2014, entered into between REPUBLIC OF SIERRA LEONE ("Recipient") and INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION ("Association") for the purpose of providing additional financing for activities related to the Original Project (as defined in the Appendix to this Agreement). The Recipient and the Association hereby agree as follows:

ARTICLE I — GENERAL CONDITIONS; DEFINITIONS

1.01. The General Conditions (as defined in the Appendix to this Agreement) constitute an integral part of this Agreement.

1.02. Unless the context requires otherwise, the capitalized terms used in this Agreement have the meanings ascribed to them in the General Conditions or in the Appendix to this Agreement.

ARTICLE II — FINANCING

2.01. The Association agrees to extend to the Recipient, on the terms and conditions set forth or referred to in this Agreement, a grant in an amount equivalent to sixty-six million three hundred thousand Special Drawing Rights (SDR 66,300,000) ("Financing"), to assist in financing the project described in Schedule 1 to this Agreement ("Project").

2.02. The Recipient may withdraw the proceeds of the Financing in accordance with Section IV of Schedule 2 to this Agreement.

2.03. The Maximum Commitment Charge Rate payable by the Recipient on the Unwithdrawn Financing Balance shall be one-half of one percent (1/2 of 1%) per annum.

2.04. The Payment Dates are January 15 and July 15 in each year.

2.05. The Payment Currency is Dollar.

ARTICLE III — PROJECT

3.01. The Recipient declares its commitment to the objective of the Project. To this end, the Recipient shall carry out the Project in accordance with the provisions of Article IV of the General Conditions.

3.02. Without limitation upon the provisions of Section 3.01 of this Agreement, and except as the Recipient and the Association shall otherwise agree, the Recipient

shall ensure that the Project is carried out in accordance with the provisions of Schedule 2 to this Agreement.

ARTICLE IV — EFFECTIVENESS; TERMINATION

4.01. The Effectiveness Deadline is the date ninety (90) days after the date of this Agreement.

4.02. For purposes of Section 8.05(b) of the General Conditions, the date on which the obligations of the Recipient under this Agreement (other than those providing for payment obligations) shall terminate is twenty (20) years after the date of this Agreement.

ARTICLE V — REPRESENTATIVE; ADDRESSES

5.01. The Recipient's Representative is its minister responsible for finance.

5.02. The Recipient's Address is:

Ministry of Finance and Economic Development
Treasury Building
George Street
Freetown, Sierra Leone

5.03. The Association's Address is:

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

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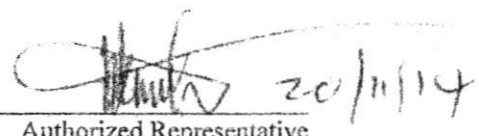
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AGREED at Free town, Sierra Leone, as of the day and year first above written.

REPUBLIC OF SIERRA LEONE

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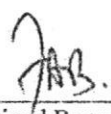

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Authorized Representative

Name: Keifala Marah
Title: MINISTER OF Finance & Economic Development

INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION

By



Authorized Representative

Name: FRANCIS ATO BROWN
Title: COUNTRY MANAGER

SCHEDULE 1

Project Description

The objective of the Project is to contribute in the short-term to the control of the Ebola Virus Disease (EVD) outbreak and the availability of selected essential health services, and mitigate the socio-economic impact of EVD in Sierra Leone.

The Project consists of the Original Project and the following additional parts:

Part 1: Support to the EVD Outbreak Response Plans and Strengthening Essential Health Services

Scaling up implementation of priority activities in the Recipient's EVD outbreak response plan, including, *inter alia*:

- (a) (i) Establishment and operationalization of EVD community care centers/units and EVD treatment centers, and provision of basic as well as comprehensive care packages for EVD patients; and (ii) Strengthening provision of non-EVD essential health services, all through the provision of technical advisory services, works, non-consulting services, Training, Operating Costs and acquisition of goods for the purpose.
- (b) Strengthening the roles and capacities of communities for implementing EVD outbreak response initiatives at the local levels, through: (i) development and implementation of EVD prevention and management initiatives by local stakeholders; (ii) carrying out of EVD sensitization and control activities at the household level, including, case identification, contact tracing, basic surveillance and safe burials by community health teams; and (iii) design and implementation of community-based EVD monitoring systems, all through the provision of technical advisory services, non-consulting services, Training, Operating Costs and acquisition of goods for the purpose.
- (c) Strengthening EVD surveillance at the national and local levels, including, rapid and safe EVD sample collection and testing as well as secure EVD data integration and management, and development of laboratory facilities, all through the provision of technical advisory services, works, non-consulting services, Training, Operating Costs and acquisition of goods for the purpose.
- (d) Construction and operationalization of main logistics hubs and forward logistics bases for storage of, *inter alia*, EVD outbreak response cargo, and design and implementation of efficient distribution and supply chains for said cargo.