RECOMMENDATION OF THE STATUTORY COMMITTEE

TO:  The President, International Development Association

Recommendation of the nominee selected by the Republic of Mali as a member of the Committee under Section 1 (d) of Article V of the Articles of Agreement on the proposal to grant a credit to the Republic of Mali for the Regional Sahel Pastoralism Support Project.

The undersigned member of the Committee constituted under Section 1 (d) of Article V of the Articles of Agreement of International Development Association (the Association) hereby submits this recommendation pursuant to said Section in respect of the proposal that the Association grant to the Republic of Mali a credit in an amount equivalent to SDR 32,700,000. The purpose of said credit is to improve access to essential productive assets, services and markets, for pastoralist and agro-pastoralists in selected trans-border areas and along transhumance axes across six Sahel Countries, and strengthen country capacities to respond promptly and effectively to pastoral crises or emergencies.

1. The undersigned member of the Committee has carefully studied the merits of the proposal to grant such a credit, and of the purpose to which the proceeds of the credit are to be applied.

2. The undersigned member of the Committee is of the opinion that the project toward the financing of which the proceeds of such credit are to be applied comes within the purposes of the Association as set forth in Article I of said Articles of Agreement, and that said project is designed to promote the economic development of the Republic of Mali and is of high developmental priority in the light of the needs of the Republic of Mali.

3. Accordingly, the undersigned member of the Committee finds that said project merits financial assistance from the Association, and hereby recommends said project for such assistance.

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Dated at Washington, D.C.