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Amendment to the Administration Agreement between the Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency and the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development and the International Development Association concerning the Multi-Donor Trust Fund for Technical Assistance to Public Administration Reform of Moldova (TF070514)

Dear Ms. Bålow:

1. We refer to the Administration Agreement between Sweden, represented by the Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency ("Sida") (the "Donor") and the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (IBRD) and the International Development Association (IDA), (collectively, the "Bank") regarding the Multi-Donor Trust Fund for Technical Assistance Support to Public Administration reform of Moldova (TF No. 070514) (the "Trust Fund") effective April 25, 2006, as amended (the "Administration Agreement").

2. Pursuant to the recent discussions between the Bank and the Donor, the Bank proposes to amend the Administration Agreement as follows:

   (a) Paragraph 8.1 of Annex 2 is hereby amended and replaced in its entirety to read as follows:

      "8.1. It is expected that the Contribution funds will be fully disbursed by the Bank in accordance with the provisions of this Arrangement by June 30, 2014. The Bank shall only disburse Contribution funds for the purposes of this Agreement after such date with the written approval of the Donors."; and

   (b) Paragraph 1 of Annex 1 is hereby amended to include a new subsection (iv) under Part A (a) and replaced in its entirety to read as follows:

      "Part A (a): Institutional Reorganization: Provision of technical assistance to (i) conduct a government-wide functional review of the central public
administration entities; (ii) further develop the legal framework on the organization of public administration; (iii) build capacity of the CPAR unit of the Government Office of the Cabinet of Ministers of the Republic of Moldova; and (iv) develop a program for improving the quality, transparency, and efficiency of administrative public services delivered at the central and sub-national tiers of the Government.”

3. All other terms of the Administration Agreement shall remain the same.

4. The Bank will disclose the Administration Agreement and related information on this Trust Fund in accordance with the World Bank Policy on Access to Information. By entering into this Agreement, the Donor consents to disclosure of this Agreement and related information on this Trust Fund.

5. We propose that this letter shall constitute an amendment to the Administration Agreement between the Bank and the Donor. Please confirm your acceptance to the foregoing, on behalf of the Donor, by signing and dating the two originals, retaining one original for your records and returning the other original to the Bank. Upon receipt by the Bank of the original Amendment countersigned by you, this Amendment will become effective as of the date of the countersignature.

Sincerely,

INTERNATIONAL BANK FOR RECONSTRUCTION AND DEVELOPMENT
INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION

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CONFIRMED AND AGREED:

SWEDEN, represented by Sida

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