USAID Grant Agreement No. SOAG-306-04-13

AMENDMENT NUMBER THIRTEEN

TO THE STRATEGIC OBJECTIVE GRANT AGREEMENT

BETWEEN THE

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

AND

THE GOVERNMENT OF ISLAMIC REPUBLIC OF AFGHANISTAN (GIROA)

TO

PROVIDE SUPPORT FOR PROGRAMS TO ACHIEVE STRATEGIC DEVELOPMENT OBJECTIVES

Dated as of: December 4, 2008

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WHEREAS, the Grantee and USAID entered into a Strategic Objective Grant Agreement ("SOAG") to provide support for programs to achieve strategic development objectives (USAID Grant Agreement No. SOAG-306-04-00) dated September 19, 2005 and subsequently amended that SOAG on:

- September 30, 2005 (Amendment No. 1);
- April 6, 2006 (Amendment No. 2);
- May 11, 2006 (Amendment No. 3);
- June 28, 2006 (Amendment No. 4);
- September 18, 2006 (Amendment No. 5);
- July 2, 2007 (Amendment No. 6);
- July 23, 2007 (Amendment No. 7);
- September 19, 2007 (Amendment No. 8);
- September 30, 2007 (Amendment No. 9);
- April 10, 2008 (Amendment No. 10);
- September 21, 2008 (Amendment No. 11); and,
- September 25, 2008 (Amendment No. 12)

The SOAG so amended is referred to hereinafter as the "Agreement."

WHEREAS, USAID and the Grantee desire to further amend the Agreement to: (a) increase the USAID contribution by **Seventy Five Million** United States (U.S.) Dollars **(U.S. \$75,000,000.00)**; and (b) update the illustrative financial plan to cross reference and crosswalk the original SOAG budget information against the new standardized program budget structure.

WHEREAS, USAID and IROA acknowledge that programming decisions for the use of these funds shall be made in coordination with the appropriate Ministry, and such decisions shall be recorded in PILs with countersignature by the relevant Minister and the Minister of Finance.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Parties hereto hereby agree that the Agreement shall be amended as follows:

1. The first sentence in Section 3.1(a) of the Agreement is deleted in its entirety and the following is substituted in lieu thereof: "(a) The Grant. To help achieve the Objective set forth in this Agreement, USAID, pursuant to the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, as amended, hereby grants to the Grantee under the terms of this Agreement not to exceed Eight Hundred Sixty Nine Million Thirty Seven Thousand Four Hundred Eleven and Ten Hundreths United States (U.S.) Dollars (U.S. \$869,037,411.10) (the 'Grant')."

2. The illustrative financial plan set forth in Attachment 1 to Annex 1 to the Agreement is deleted and the updated illustrative financial plan attached hereto as Attachment A and Attachment B to this Amendment is substituted in lieu thereof.

Except as further amended herein, all other terms and conditions of the Agreement remain unchanged and in full force and effect. Capitalized terms not defined in this Amendment shall have the meanings ascribed thereto in the Agreement. This Amendment is prepared in both English and Dari. In the event of ambiguity or conflict between the two versions, the English language version will control.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the United States of America and the Government of the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan, each acting through its duly authorized representatives, have caused this Amendment Number Thirteen to be signed in their names and delivered as of the day, month and year first written above.

By:

THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

THE ISLAMIC REPUBLIC OF AFGHANISTAN

Name: Michael J. Vates Ph.D.

Title: Mission Director USAID/Afghanistan

Name: Anwar-ul-Haq Ahady Title: Minister of Finance

ILLUSTRATIVE FINANCIAL PLAN FOR FY 2005 TO FY 2010

Amendment No.13

In Thousands of U.S. Dollars

Objective and Activities	Amount Obligated prior to Amendment No. 13	Amount Obligated in Amendment No. 13	Cumulative Obligations in FY 2005 - FY 2009 *	Amount Remaining to be Obligated in FY 2009 - FY 2010 **	Total Estimated Contribution							
PROVIDE PROGRAM SUPPORT FOR PROGRAMS TO ACHIEVE STRATEGIC DEVELOPMENT OBJECTIVES USAID Grant Agreement No. SOAG-306-04-00												
Quick Impact Program (QIP) & Local Govrnance Capacity Development (LGCD) - PRTs	313,029	313,029 55,000		105,778	473,807							
Disarmament, Demobilization and Reintegration Program (DDR)	-	**************************************	-	-	-							
Other Cross-Cutting Initiatives (includes ARTF, NSP, etc.) ***	425,456	20,000	445,456	276,091	721,547							
USAID Program Support	55,552		55,552	41,139	96,691							
TOTAL OBJECTIVE 4:	794,037	75,000	869,037	423,008	1,292,045							

NOTE * -- References to "FY" refer to the USG fiscal year for the USAID contribution and the IRoA contributions beginning in the second half of Afghan year 1384

NOTE ** -- These funds are subject to the availability of funds to USAID and the Grantee and the other conditions set forth respectively in Section 3.1 (b) and Section 3.2 (b) of the Agreement

NOTE *** -- The illustrative financial plan previously included a line item for "Pre-existing Mortgages"; however, the funds in that line item are now included in the relevant programmatic line items indicated above

Attachment B

ILLUSTRATIVE FINANCIAL PLAN FOR FY 2005 TO FY 2010 Amendment No. 13 In Thousands of U.S. Dollars

Objective	Pro	gram Area	Old Activity/Intermediate Results (IR) Title	Amount Obligated prior to Amendment No.13	Amount Obligated in Amendment No. 13	Cumulative Obligations in FY 2005 - FY 2009*	Amount Remaining to be Obligated in FY 2009 - FY 2010**	Total Estimated Contribution				
PROVIDE PROGRAM SUPPORT FOR PROGRAMS TO ACHIEVE STRATEGIC DEVELOPMENT OBJECTIVES USAID Grant Agreement No. SOAG-306-04-00												
Peace & Security		5 Transnational Crime	Cross Cutting Activities	385		385	-	385				
		6 Conflict mitigation and Reconciliation	PRTs	248,917	55,000	303,917	-	303,917				
Governing Justly and Democratically	;	2 Good Governance	Cross Cutting Activities	447,171	20,000	467,171	379,869	847,040				
	4	Civil Society	Cross Cutting Activities	9,000		9,000	-	9,000				
. Investing in People	3.3	Social and Economic Services 3 and Protection for Vulnerable Populations	Cross Cutting Activities	33,012	-	33,012	2,000	35,012				
. Operating Unit Management	6.1	Cross Cutting Management and Staffing	Cross Cutting Activities	55,552		55,552	41,139	96,691				
TOTAL OBJECTIVE 4:		794,037	75,000	869,037	423,008	1,292,045						

IOTE * -- References to "FY" refer to the USG fiscal year.
IOTE ** -- These funds are subject to the availability of funds to USAID and the other conditions set forth in Section 3.1 (b) of the Agreement