USAID Grant Agreement No. 306-07-13

AMENDMENT NUMBER THIRTEEN

TO THE STRATEGIC OBJECTIVE GRANT AGREEMENT

BETWEEN

THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

AND

THE GOVERNMENT OF ISLAMIC REPUBLIC OF AFGHANISTAN (GIROA)

FOR

THE STRATEGIC OBJECTIVE OF "A BETTER EDUCATED AND HEALTHIER POPULATION"

Dated as of: December 4, 2008

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AMENDMENT NUMBER THIRTEEN TO THE STRATEGIC OBJECTIVE GRANT AGREEMENT between the Government of the United States of America, acting through the United States Agency for International Development ("USAID"), and the Government of the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan (hereinafter referred to as the "Grantee" or the "IRoA"), acting through the Ministry of Finance, dated as of December 4, 2008.

WHEREAS, the Grantee and USAID entered into a Strategic Objective Grant Agreement ("SOAG") for the Strategic Objective of "A Better Educated and Healthier Population" (USAID Grant Agreement No. SOAG-306-07-00) 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);
- April 07, 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); and,
- 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 **Thirty Three Million** United States ("U.S") Dollars **(U.S. \$33,000,000.00)**; and (b) update the illustrative financial plan to reflect certain adjustments and to cross reference and cross-walk the original SOAG budget information against the new USAID 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 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 Five Hundred Ninety Eight Million Fourteen Thousand Five Hundred Seventy Eight

and Seventy Hundredths United States (U.S.) Dollars (U.S.\$ 598,014,578.70) (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 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 Grantee and the United States of America, 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:

FOR THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

FOR THE ISLAMIC REPUBLIC OF AFGHANISTAN

Name: Michael Vates, Ph.D.
Title: Mission Director.

USAID/Afghanistan

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

Attachment A

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						
A BETTER EDUCATED AND HEALTHIER POPULATION USAID Grant Agreement No. SOAG-306-07-00											
Increase Access of Women and Children Under 5 to Quality Basis Health Services, especially in Rural and Underserved Areas	302,091	27,000	329,091	110,054	439,145						
Increase Access of Children, Youth, and Adults to Quality Teaching and Suitable Learning Environments***	259,829	6,000	265,829	208,021	473,850						
Social and Economic Services and Protection for Vulnerable Population	1,105		1,105	-	1,105						
USAID Program Support	1,990		1,990	23,110	25,100						
TOTAL OBJECTIVE 7:	565,015	33,000	598,015	341,185	939,200						

NOTE * -- References to "FY" refer to the USG fiscal year

NOTE ** - 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

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	Program Area	Old Activity/Intermediat e Results (IR) Title	Amount Obligated prior to Amendment No. 13	Amount Obligated in Amendment No. 13	Obligations in	Amount Remaining to be Obligated in FY 2008 - FY 2010 **	Total Estimated Contribution
	AND HEALTHIER POPUL nt No. SOAG-306-07-00	ATION					
Investing in People	3.1 Health	Health	301,861	27,000	328,861	110,284	439,145
	3.2 Education	Education	261,819	6,000	267,819	230,901	498,720
	3.3 Social and Economic Ser	vices Health	1,335		1,335	-	1,335
TOTAL OBJECTIVE 7:		565,015	33,000	598,015	341,185	939,200	

NOTE * -- References to "FY" refer to the USG fiscal year.

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