Amendment to the Trust Fund Administration Arrangement between the Netherlands acting through its Minister for European Affairs and International Cooperation and the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development and the International Development Association for support to the Forum for Agricultural Research in Africa (FARA) (TF No 071192) (Netherlands activity number 18138 and contract number DVF0113567)

Dear Mr. Zeeuw:

1. We refer to the Administration Arrangement, dated December 14, 2010, as amended (the “Administration Arrangement”), between the Netherlands, acting through its Minister for European Affairs and International Cooperation (the “Donor”) and the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (“IBRD”) and the International Development Association (“IDA” and together with IBRD, the “Bank”) concerning the Multi-Donor Trust Fund for Support to the Forum for Agricultural Research in Africa (“FARA”) (TF071192) (the “Trust Fund”), as amended. Capitalized terms used but not defined in this letter have the meanings given to them in the Administration Arrangement.

2. We also refer to (a) The Donor’s request to change its official acting authority; and (b) the need to revise the Standard Provisions to: (i) correct some outdated references, and (ii) reflect the updated accounting and financial reporting requirement. Therefore:

   a) The Donor’s official name is replaced with the following:
b) Section 5 of Annex III to the Administration Arrangement is amended to read as follows:

“5. Employment of Consultants and Procurement of Goods

5.1. For Bank-executed activities, the employment and supervision of consultants financed by the Contribution funds will be the sole responsibility of the Bank and will be carried out in accordance with its applicable policies and procedures.

5.2. For Recipient-executed activities, the Grant Agreement will provide that the Contribution funds will be used by the Recipient (or its sub-grantees) to finance expenditures for goods and services, as the case may be, in accordance with the Bank’s Guidelines on “Procurement under IBRD Loans and IDA Credits” and the Bank’s Guidelines on the “Selection and Employment of Consultants by World Bank Borrowers,” as in effect at the date of the Grant Agreement.”

c) paragraph 6.2 and 6.3 of Annex III to the Administration Arrangement is amended to read as follows:

“6.2. The Bank will furnish to the Donors current financial information relating to receipts, disbursements and fund balance in the Holding Currency with respect to the Contributions via the World Bank’s Trust Funds Donor Center secure website. Within six (6) months after all commitments and liabilities under the Trust Fund have been satisfied and the Trust Fund has been closed, the final financial information relating to receipts, disbursements and fund balance in the Holding Currency with respect to the Contributions will be made available to the Donors via the World Bank’s Trust Funds Donor Center secure website.

6.3. The Bank will provide to the Donors via the World Bank’s Trust Fund Donor Center secure website, within six (6) months following the end of each Bank fiscal year, an annual single audit report, comprising (i) a management assertion together with an attestation from the Bank’s external auditors concerning the adequacy of internal control over cash-based financial reporting for all cash-based trust funds as a whole; and (ii) a combined financial statement for all cash-based trust funds together with the Bank’s external auditor’s opinion thereon. The cost of the single audit will be borne by the Bank.”

d) paragraph 8.1 of Annex III to the Administration Arrangement is amended to read as follows:
8.1. No transfer of funds will be made for payments made prior to the date of signing of this Arrangement, except that transfers up to an aggregate amount not to exceed US$1,970,000 may be made for payments made prior to this date but on or after January 1, 2008 for the purposes of financing the activities described in Annex 1 to this Arrangement.

3. All the other terms and conditions of the Administration Arrangement remain the same.

4. The Bank will disclose this letter and related information on this Trust Fund in accordance with the World Bank Policy on Access to Information. The Donor hereby consents to the disclosure of this letter and related information on this Trust Fund.

5. Please confirm your agreement to the foregoing, on behalf of the Donor, by signing, dating, and returning to us the enclosed copy of this letter.

Sincerely,

INTERNATIONAL BANK FOR RECONSTRUCTION AND DEVELOPMENT
INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION

[Signature]

Colin Bruce
Director, Regional Integration
Africa Region

CONFIRMED AND AGREED:

MINISTER FOR FOREIGN TRADE AND DEVELOPMENT COOPERATION OF THE KINGDOM OF THE NETHERLANDS

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Date: 5/20/17