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INTERNATIONAL BANK FOR RECONSTRUCTION AND DEVELOPMENT and COSTA RICA

Guarantee Agreement—Second Import Credit Program (with annexed Loan Regulations No. 4 and Loan Agreement between the Bank and Banco Central de Costa Rica). Signed at Washington, on 11 February 1959

Official text: English.

Registered by the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development on 13 July 1959.

BANQUE INTERNATIONALE POUR LA RECONSTRUCTION ET LE DÉVELOPPEMENT

et

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Contrat de garantie — Deuxième programme de financement des importations (avec, en annexe, le Règlement n° 4 sur les emprunts et le Contrat d'emprunt entre la Banque et le Banco Central de Costa Rica). Signé à Washington, le 11 février 1959

Texte officiel anglais.

Enregistré par la Banque internationale pour la reconstruction et le développement le 13 juillet 1959.

No. 4825. GUARANTEE AGREEMENT¹ (SECOND IMPORT CREDIT PROGRAM) BETWEEN THE REPUBLIC OF COSTA RICA AND THE INTERNATIONAL BANK FOR RECONSTRUCTION AND DEVELOPMENT. SIGNED AT WASHINGTON, ON 11 FEBRUARY 1959

AGREEMENT, dated February 11, 1959, between REPÚBLICA DE COSTA RICA (hereinafter called the Guarantor) and INTERNATIONAL BANK FOR RECONSTRUCTION AND DEVELOPMENT (hereinafter called the Bank).

WHEREAS by an agreement of even date herewith between the Bank and Banco Central de Costa Rica (hereinafter called the Borrower), which agreement and the schedules therein referred to are hereinafter called the Loan Agreement,² the Bank has agreed to make to the Borrower a loan in various currencies equivalent to three million five hundred thousand dollars (\$3,500,000), on the terms and conditions set forth in the Loan Agreement, but only on condition that the Guarantor agree to guarantee the obligations of the Borrower in respect of such loan as hereinafter provided ; and

WHEREAS the Guarantor, in consideration of the Bank's entering into the Loan Agreement with the Borrower, has agreed so to guarantee such obligations of the Borrower;

Now THEREFORE the parties hereto hereby agree as follows :

Article I

Section 1.01. The parties to this Guarantee Agreement accept all the provisions of Loan Regulations No. 4 of the Bank dated June 15, 1956^2 (said Loan Regulations No. 4 being hereinafter called the Loan Regulations), with the same force and effect as if they were fully set forth herein.

Article II

Section 2.01. Without limitation or restriction upon any of the other covenants on its part in this Agreement contained, the Guarantor hereby unconditionally

¹ Came into force on 1 May 1959, upon notification by the Bank to the Government of Costa Rica.

^{*} See p. 252 of this volume.

guarantees, as primary obligor and not as surety merely, the due and punctual payment of the principal of, and the interest and other charges on, the Loan, the principal of and interest on the Bonds, the premium, if any, on the prepayment of the Loan or the redemption of the Bonds, and the punctual performance of all the covenants and agreements of the Borrower, all as set forth in the Loan Agreement and in the Bonds.

Article III

Section 3.01. It is the mutual intention of the Guarantor and the Bank that no other external debt hereafter created shall enjoy any priority over the Loan by way of a lien on governmental assets. To that end, the Guarantor undertakes that, except as the Bank shall otherwise agree, if any lien shall be created on any assets of the Guarantor as security for any external debt, such lien will *ipso facto* equally and ratably secure the payment of the principal of, and interest and other charges on, the Loan and the Bonds, and that in the creation of any such lien express provision will be made to that effect; provided, however, that the foregoing provisions of this Section shall not apply to : (i) any lien created on property, at the time of purchase thereof, solely as security for the payment of the purchase price of such property; (ii) any lien on commercial goods to secure a debt maturing not more than one year after the date on which it is originally incurred and to be paid out of the proceeds of sale of such commercial goods ; or (iii) any lien arising in the ordinary course of banking transactions and securing a debt maturing not more than one year after its date.

The term "assets of the Guarantor" as used in this Section includes assets of the Guarantor or of any of its political subdivisions or of any agency of the Guarantor or of any such political subivision, including Banco Central de Costa Rica.

Section 3.02. (a) The Guarantor and the Bank shall cooperate fully to assure that the purposes of the Loan will be accomplished. To that end, each of them shall furnish to the other all such information as it shall reasonably request with regard to the general status of the Loan. On the part of the Guarantor, such information shall include information with respect to financial and economic conditions in the territories of the Guarantor and the international balance of payments position of the Guarantor.

(b) The Guarantor and the Bank shall from time to time exchange views through their representatives with regard to matters relating to the purposes of the Loan and the maintenance of the service thereof. The Guarantor shall promptly inform the Bank of any condition which interferes with, or threatens to interfere with, the accomplishment of the purposes of the Loan or the maintenance of the service thereof.

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(c) The Guarantor shall afford all reasonable opportunity for accredited representatives of the Bank to visit any part of the territories of the Guarantor for purposes related to the Loan.

Section 3.03. The principal of, and interest and other charges on, the Loan and the Bonds shall be paid without deduction for, and free from, any taxes or fees imposed under the laws of the Guarantor or laws in effect in its territories; provided, however, that the provisions of this Section shall not apply to taxation of, or fees upon, payments under any Bond to a holder thereof other than the Bank when such Bond is beneficially owned by an individual or corporate resident of the Guarantor.

Section 3.04. This Agreement, the Loan Agreement and the Bonds shall be free from any taxes or fees that shall be imposed under the laws of the Guarantor or laws in effect in its territories on or in connection with the execution, issue, delivery or registration thereof.

Section 3.05. The principal of, and interest and other charges on, the Loan and the Bonds shall be paid free from all restrictions imposed under the laws of the Guarantor or laws in effect in its territories.

Article IV

Section 4.01. The Guarantor shall endorse, in accordance with the provisions of the Loan Regulations, its guarantee on the Bonds to be executed and delivered by the Borrower. The *Ministro de Economía y Hacienda* of the Guarantor and such person or persons as he shall designate in writing are designated as the authorized representatives of the Guarantor for the purposes of Section 6.12 (b) of the Loan Regulations.

Article V

Section 5.01. The following addresses are specified for the purposes of Section 8.01 of the Loan Regulations :

For the Guarantor :

Ministro de Economía y Hacienda San José Costa Rica

Alternative address for cablegrams and radiograms :

Mineconomía San José Costa Rica

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For the Bank :

International Bank for Reconstruction and Development 1818 H Street, N.W. Washington 25, D. C. United States of America Alternative address for cablegrams and radiograms :

Intbafrad Washington, D. C.

Section 5.02. The Ministro de Economia y Hacienda of the Guarantor is designated for the purposes of Section 8,03 of the Loan Regulations.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto, acting through their representatives thereunto duly authorized, have caused this Guarantee Agreement to be signed in their respective names and delivered in the District of Columbia, United States of America, as of the day and year first above written.

> República de Costa Rica : By M. G. Escalante D. Authorized Representative

International Bank for Reconstruction and Development :

By J. Burke KNAPP Vice President

INTERNATIONAL BANK FOR RECONSTRUCTION AND DEVELOPMENT

LOAN REGULATIONS No. 4, DATED 15 JUNE 1956

Regulations Applicable to Loans Made by the Bank to Borrowers other than Member Governments

[Not published herein. See United Nations, Treaty Series, Vol. 260, p. 376].

LOAN AGREEMENT (SECOND IMPORT CREDIT PROGRAM)

AGREEMENT, dated February 11, 1959, between INTERNATIONAL BANK FOR RECONSTRUCTION AND DEVELOPMENT (hereinafter called the Bank) and BANCO CENTRAL DE COSTA RICA (hereinafter called the Borrower).

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WHEREAS by a Loan Agreement dated September 18, 1956¹ between the Bank and the Borrower (hereinafter called the First Loan Agreement) the Bank agreed to lend to the Borrower an amount in various currencies equivalent to \$3,000,000 to assist in the financing of a program for the encouragement of imports of capital goods needed by private enterprise to develop agricultural production and light industries in Costa Rica by extension of credit through the national banking system; and

WHEREAS the Bank is willing to assist in a continuation of that program;

Now therefore the parties hereto agree as follows :

Article I

LOAN REGULATIONS

Section 1.01. The parties to this Loan Agreement accept all the provisions of Loan Regulations No. 4 of the Bank dated June 15, 1956^2 (said Loan Regulations No. 4 being hereinafter called the Loan Regulations), with the same force and effect as if they were fully set forth herein.

Article II

The Loan

Section 2.01. The Bank agrees to lend to the Borrower, on the terms and conditions in this Agreement set forth or referred to, an amount in various currencies equivalent to three million five hundred thousand dollars (\$3,500,000).

Section 2.02. (a) The Bank shall open a Loan Account on its books in the name of the Borrower and shall credit to such Account the amount of the Loan. The amount of the Loan may be withdrawn from the Loan Account as provided in, and subject to the rights of cancellation and suspension set forth in, the Loan Regulations.

(b) Withdrawals from the Loan Account in respect of goods destined for use in light industries shall be made only in such manner and for such uses as the Bank and the Borrower shall from time to time mutually agree.

Section 2.03. The Borrower shall pay to the Bank a commitment charge at the rate of three-fourths of one per cent $(\frac{3}{4} \text{ of } 1 \frac{6}{9})$ per annum on the principal amount of the Loan not so withdrawn from time to time. Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 2.02 of the Loan Regulations, such commitment charge shall accrue from a date sixty days after the date of this Agreement to the respective dates on which amounts shall be withdrawn by the Borrower from the Loan Account as provided in Article IV of the Loan Regulations or shall be cancelled pursuant to Article V of the Loan Regulations.

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¹ United Nations, Treaty Series, Vol. 260, p. 369.

^{*} See p. 252 of this volume.

Section 2.04. The Borrower shall pay interest at the rate of five and three-fourths per cent (5 $\frac{3}{4}$ %) per annum on the principal amount of the Loan so withdrawn and outstanding from time to time.

Section 2.05. Except as the Bank and the Borrower shall otherwise agree, the charge payable for special commitments entered into by the Bank at the request of the Borrower pursuant to Section 4.02 of the Loan Regulations shall be at the rate of one-half of one per cent $(\frac{1}{2} \text{ of } 1 \%)$ per annum on the principal amount of any such special commitments outstanding from time to time.

Section 2.06. Interest and other charges shall be payable semiannually on April 1 and October 1 in each year.

Section 2.07. The Borrower shall repay the principal of the Loan in accordance with the amortization schedule set forth in Schedule 1^1 to this Agreement.

Article III

USE OF PROCEEDS OF THE LOAN

Section 3.01. The Borrower shall apply the proceeds of the Loan exclusively to financing the cost of goods which are required under the Borrower's capital goods import credit program described in Schedule 2° to this Agreement and for which credits have been granted through commercial banks. The specific goods to be financed out of the proceeds of the Loan shall be determined by agreement between the Bank and the Borrower, subject to modification by further agreement between them.

Section 3.02. The Borrower shall cause all goods financed out of the proceeds of the Loan to be imported into the territories of the Guarantor and there to be used exclusively in the development of agricultural production and of light industries in Costa Rica.

Article IV

Bonds

Section 4.01. The Borrower shall execute and deliver Bonds representing the principal amount of the Loan as provided in the Loan Regulations.

Section 4.02. The General Manager of the Borrower and such person or persons as he shall appoint in writing are designated as authorized representatives of the Borrower for the purposes of Section 6.12 (a) of the Loan Regulations.

¹ See p. 262 of this volume.

^{*} See p. 264 of this volume.

Article V

PARTICULAR COVENANTS

Section 5.01. The Borrower shall maintain or cause to be maintained records adequate to identify the goods financed out of the proceeds of the Loan, to disclose the use thereof, and to reflect in accordance with consistently maintained sound accounting practices the operations and financial condition of the Borrower; shall enable the Bank's representatives to inspect the goods and any relevant records and documents; and shall furnish to the Bank all such information as the Bank shall reasonably request concerning the expenditure of the proceeds of the Loan, the goods, and the operations and financial condition of the Borrower.

Section 5.02. (a) The Bank and the Borrower shall cooperate fully to assure that the purposes of the Loan will be accomplished. To that end, each of them shall furnish to the other all such information as it shall reasonably request with regard to the general status of the Loan.

(b) The Bank and the Borrower shall from time to time exchange views through their representatives with regard to matters relating to the purposes of the Loan and the maintenance of the service thereof. The Borrower shall promptly inform the Bank of any condition which interferes with, or threatens to interfere with, the accomplishment of the purposes of the Loan or the maintenance of the service thereof.

Section 5.03. The Borrower undertakes that, except as the Bank shall otherwise agree, if any lien shall be created on any assets of the Borrower as security for any debt, such lien will *ipso facto* equally and ratably secure the payment of the principal of, and interest and other charges on, the Loan and the Bonds, and that in the creation of any such lien express provision will be made to that effect; provided, however, that the foregoing provisions of this Section shall not apply to any lien created on property, at the time of purchase thereof, solely as security for the payment of the purchase price of such property.

Section 5.04. The Borrower shall pay or cause to be paid all taxes or fees, if any, imposed under the laws of the Guarantor or laws in effect in the territories of the Guarantor on or in connection with the execution, issue, delivery or registration of this Agreement, the Guarantee Agreement or the Bonds, or the payment of principal, interest or other charges thereunder; provided, however, that the provisions of this Section shall not apply to taxation of, or fees upon, payments under any Bond to a holder thereof other than the Bank when such Bond is beneficially owned by an individual or corporate resident of the Guarantor.

Section 5.05. The Borrower shall pay or cause to be paid all taxes and fees, if any, imposed under the laws of the country or countries in whose currency the Loan and the Bonds are payable or laws in effect in the territories of such country or countries on or in connection with the execution, issue, delivery or registration of this Agreement, the Guarantee Agreement or the Bonds.

Article VI

Remedies of the Bank

Section 6.01. (i) If any event specified in paragraph (a), paragraph (b), paragraph (c) or paragraph (f) of Section 5.02 of the Loan Regulations shall occur and shall continue for a period of thirty days, (ii) if any event specified or referred to in Section 6.01 of the First Loan Agreement shall have occurred and shall have continued for the period specified therein, or (iii) if any event specified in paragraph (c) of Section 5.02 of the Loan Regulations shall occur and shall continue for a period of sixty days after notice there of shall have been given by the Bank to the Borrower, then at any subsequent time during the continuance thereof, the Bank, at its option, may declare the principal of the Loan and of all the Bonds then outstanding to be due and payable immediately, and upon any such declaration such principal shall become due and payable immediately, anything in this Agreement or in the Bonds to the contrary notwithstanding.

Section 6.02. For the purposes of Section 5.02 (j) of the Loan Regulations, the following additional events are specified : If there shall have occurred any event specified or referred to in Section 6.01 of the First Loan Agreement.

Article VII

MISCELLANEOUS

Section 7.01. The Closing Date shall be September 1, 1960.

Section 7.02. A date 90 days after the date of this Agreement is hereby specified for the purposes of Section 9.04 of the Loan Regulations.

Section 7.03. The following addresses are specified for the purposes of Section 8.01 of the Loan Regulations :

For the Borrower :

Banco Central de Costa Rica San José Costa Rica

Alternative address for cablegrams and radiograms :

Bancentral San José Costa Rica

For the Bank :

International Bank for Reconstruction and Development 1818 H Street, N.W. Washington 25, D. C. United States of America

Alternative address for cablegrams and radiograms : Intbafrad Washington, D. C. IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto, acting through their representatives thereunto duly authorized, have caused this Loan Agreement to be signed in their respective names and delivered in the District of Columbia, United States of America, as of the day and year first above written.

International Bank for Reconstruction and Development :

By J. Burke KNAPP Vice President

Banco Central de Costa Rica :

By G. GONZALEZ TRUQUE Authorized Representative

SCHEDULE 1

AMORTIZATION SCHEDULE

Daie Payment Due	Payment of Principal (expressed in dollars)*	Date Payment Due	Payment of Principal (expressed in dollars) *
April 1, 1960		April 1, 1963	\$317,000
October 1, 1960	\$275,000	October 1, 1963	326,000
April 1, 1961	283,000	April 1, 1964	335,000
October 1, 1961	291,000	October 1, 1964	345,000
April 1, 1962	300,000	April 1, 1965	355,000
October 1, 1962	308,000	October 1, 1965	365,000

* To the extent that any part of the Loan is repayable in a currency other than dollars (see Loan Regulations, Section 3.02), the figures in this column represent dollar equivalents determined as for purposes of withdrawal.

PREMIUMS ON PREPAYMENT AND REDEMPTION

The following percentages are specified as the premiums payable on repayment in advance of maturity of any part of the principal amount of the Loan pursuant to Section 2.05 (b) of the Loan Regulations or on the redemption of any Bond prior to its maturity pursuant to Section 6.16 of the Loan Regulations :

Time of Prepayment or Redemption					Premium		
Not more than 1 year before maturity							
More than 1 year but not more than 2 years before maturity			٠	•			2 %
More than 2 years but not more than 4 years before maturity							
More than 4 years but not more than 6 years before maturity							
More than 6 years before maturity $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$	•	·	•	•	•	•	58/4 %

SCHEDULE 2

DESCRIPTION OF CAPITAL GOODS IMPORT CREDIT PROGRAM

Under the Borrower's program to develop agricultural production and light industries in Costa Rica, certain categories of capital goods may be imported. The Borrower will establish lines of credit in favor of commercial banks in aggregate amounts at least equivalent to the amount of the Loan from time to time outstanding, repayable at maturities substantially equivalent to the maturities of the Loan, to finance the purchase and importation of such goods. The commercial banks will in turn for the same purposes grant credits out of such funds to individuals and private enterprises engaged in agricultural activities or in light industry.