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The Honourable Minister and Coordinating Minister of the Economy

Federal Ministry of Finance Ahmadu Bello Way, Central Business District Abuja, Nigeria

Dear Madam,

REQUEST FOR NIGERIA TO OPT INTO THE GLOBAL PARTNERSHIP FOR SOCIAL ACCOUNTABILITY PROJECT OF THE WORLD BANK

We write to request for your consent for Nigeria to opt into the Global Partnership for Social Accountability (GPSA) project of the World Bank as approved by the World Bank Executive Directors on the 12th of June 2012.

The GPSA supports Civil Society and Governments to work together to solve critical governance challenges in developing countries. In achieving this singular objective, the GPSA provides strategic and sustained support to social accountability initiatives with an ultimate goal of improving service delivery and performance of public institutions in Nigeria.

As Nigeria moves towards increased privately financed initiatives, there is need for us to expand the space for increased collaboration between public institutions, the private sector and citizens and that is exactly the kind of partnerships the GPSA seeks to support. As a client of the World Bank, the World Bank needs your consent before they offer such support in-country.

The GPSA builds on the World Bank's direct and ongoing engagement with public sector actors, as well as a network of Global Partner organizations, to create an enabling environment in which citizen feedback is used to solve fundamental problems in service delivery and to strengthen public institutions.

As recipients of the World Bank Institutional Development fund through whose support we have been monitoring power sector contracting processes under the NEGIP project, we understand the critical need for such collaborations, thus our request for Nigeria to opt in to the GPSA process.

Attached to this letter is a sample opt-in letter that the World Bank would require you to fill to indicate your consent. We sincerely hope that you see this as an opportunity worth consenting to.

Should you require more information on the GPSA or our organization regarding this letter, please do not hesitate to contact us either by phone; 08029455583 or by email; seember@procurementmonitor.org or kindly direct all hard copy correspondence to our Abuja contact office referred to above. .....

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## 1. ANNEXES

Annex 1: Sample Letter from Government: Consent to "Opt-In" to G. S.

From: [Authorized Borrower's Representative]

To: [Name], World Bank Country Director

[Date]

Dear Sir/Madam:

The letter confirms the Government of [Name of Country]'s decision to opt into the Global Parmership for Social Accountability ("GPSA"), as approved by the World Bank Executive Directors on June 12, 2012. I also confirm that civil society organizations in [Name of Country] are eligible to receive support from the GPSA consistent with the GPSA Board Report No. 67581 rev. dated June 13, 2012.

The Government hereby designates [title of position] in the [Name of Institution – Ministry or Agency] as the contact for the World Bank on implementation matters related to the GPSA, including providing any Government feedback on proposals provisionally selected for funding within the ten day review period.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Name of Borrower's Representative

Cc:

Sanjay Pradhan, Vice President, World Bank Institute
[Name], Vice President, [Network]
[Name], Regional Vice President
Roby Senderowitsch, Program Manager, Global Partnership for Social Accountability