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6 March 1986

Mr A.W. Clausen
President
International Bank for Reconstruction
and Development
1818 H Street N.W.
Washington DC 20433
USA

Dear President

The Minister for Finance Mr John Bruton, T.D., has asked me to thank you for your recent telex about the proposed Multilateral Investment Guarantee Agency (MIGA).

The question of whether Ireland should become a signatory to the Convention establishing MIGA is currently being examined in consultation with the relevant institutions. The Minister will let you know the outcome of this examination as soon as a decision has been reached.

Yours sincerely

Private Secretary

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<u>Draft Letter to Governors of the Bank</u> (addresses and salutations at Annex A)

Dear	:
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As you recall, the Board of Governors of the World Bank approved last October the text of the Convention establishing the Multilateral Investment Guarantee Agency (MIGA) for transmittal to members and to Switzerland, invited members to sign the Convention, and requested me to convene a Preparatory Committee of signatory countries once the Convention was signed by fifteen developing and five developed countries, the total subscriptions of which constitute at least one-third of MIGA's authorized capital.

As of today, eight developing countries and two developed countries have signed this Convention. Several other countries have indicated their intention to sign shortly. I am advised that in most countries signature of such a Convention need not require going through the extensive procedures required for ratification, which is the binding commitment. Pursuant to the relevant Resolution of the Board of Governors, only signatory countries will be invited to participate in the Preparatory Committee.

Given the importance of achieving broad participation in the Preparatory Committee, which will recommend MIGA's initial policies, I hope that the Government of will soon be in a position to sign the Convention, The forthcoming meeting of the Development Committee on April 10-11 may be a convenient occasion for the signatures of many countries.

I look forward to convening the Preparatory Committee before the end of June, as I believe that MIGA will be a useful addition to the multilateral system of development cooperation. Its, investment guarantee, research and technical advisory services can help member countries attract selectively the foreign investment capital and technology that they need to accelerate economic growth.

Warm regards,

A.W. Clausen President The Honourable P.J. Keating, Treasurer of the Commonwealth of Australia, Parliament House, Canberra, Australia (Dear Paul:)

Mr. M. Syeduz-Zaman, Advisor to the President in-charge of the Ministry of Finance, Ministry of Finance, Dhaka, Bangladesh (Dear Governor:)

Son Excellence Monsieur M. Eyskens, Ministre des Finances, Brussels, Belgium (Dear Governor:)

Su Excelencia Senor Lic. Juan Cariaga Osorio, Ministro de Finanzas, La Paz, Bolivia (Dear Governor:)

Son Excellence Monsieur Sadou Hayatou, Ministre d'Etat Chargé du Plan et de l'Aménagement du Territoire, Yaounde, Cameroon (Dear Governor:)

Su Excelencia Senor Hernan Buchi, Ministro de Hacienda, Santiago, Chile (Dear Governor:)

His Excellency Wang Bingqian, State Councilor and Minister of Finance, Beijing, People's Republic of China (Dear Governor:)

Su Excelencia Senor Dr. Hugo Palacios Mejia, Ministro de Hacienda y Credito Publico, Bogota, Colombia (Dear Governor:)

Su Excelencia Senor Porfirio Morera Batres, Ministro de Hacienda, San Jose, Costa Rica (Dear Governor:)

His Excellency Uffe Ellemann-Jensen, Minister for Foreign Affairs, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Copenhagen, Denmark (Dear Governor:)

His Excellency Dr. Kamal Ahmed El Ganzoury, Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Planning and International Cooperation, Ministry of Planning and International Cooperation, Cabinet Building, Cairo, Arab Republic of Egypt (Dear Governor:)

His Excellency Pekka Vennamo, Minister, Ministry of Finance, Helsinki, Finland (Dear Governor:)

Son Excellence Monsieur Pierre Beregovoy, Ministre de l'Economie, des Finances et du Budget, Paris, France (Dear Governor:) (Warm regards)

Dr. Kwesi Botchwey, Secretary of State for Finance and Economic Planning, Ministry of Finance and Economic Planning, Accra, Ghana (Dear Kwesi:)

Capitaine Kabine Kaba, Gouverneur, Banque Centrale de la République de Guinée, Conakry, Guinea (Dear Governor:)

Mr. Miklos Pulai, Deputy President, National Planning Office, Budapest, Hungary (Dear Governor:)

The Honourable John Bruton, Minister for Finance, Department of Finance, Dublin, Ireland (Dear Governor:)

Dr. Moshe Y. Mandelbaum, Governor, Bank of Israel, Jerusalem, Israel (Dear Governor:)

His Excellency Noboru Takeshita, Minister of Finance, Ministry of Finance, Tokyo, Japan (Dear Governor:) (Warm regards)

The Honourable Edward Seaga, P.C., Prime Minister and Minister of Finance and Planning, Office of the Prime Minister, Kingston, Jamaica (Dear Prime Minister:)

The Honourable Professor George Saitoti, Minister of Finance and Planning, Ministry of Finance and Planning, Nairobi, Kenya (Dear Governor:)

His Excellency Jassim Mohamed Al-Kharafi, Minister of Finance and Economy, Ministry of Finance and Economy, Safat, Kuwait (Dear Governor:)

The Honourable E.C.I. Bwanali, Minister of Finance, Ministry of Finance, Lilongwe, Malawi (Dear Governor:)

The Honourable Daim Zainuddin, Minister of Finance, Ministry of Finance, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia (Dear Governor:)

Son Excellence General Amadou Baba Diarra, Ministre d'Etat Chargé du Plan, Bamako, Mali (Dear Governor:)

Son Excellence Monsieur Abdellatif Jouahri, Ministre des Finances, Rabat, Morocco (Dear Governor:)

The Honourable Dr. Chu S. P. Okongwu, Federal Minister of Finance, Lagos, Nigeria (Dear Governor:)

His Excellency Rolf Presthus, Minister of Finance, Ministry of Finance, Oslo, Norway (Dear Governor:)

The Honourable Ghulam Ishaq Khan, Chairman, National Assembly and Senate Secretariat, Islamabad, Pakistan (Dear Governor Khan:) (Warm regards)

Su Excelencia Senor Dr. Ricaurte Vasquez M., Ministro de Planificacion y Politica Economica, Panama, Republica de Panama (Dear Governor:)

Senor Dr. Cesar Romeo Acosta, Presidente, Banco Central del Paraguay, Asuncion, Paraguay (Dear Governor:)

The Honorable Jaime Ongpin, Minister of Finance, Office of the Monetary Board, Central Bank of the Philippines, Manila, Philippines (Dear Governor:)

His Excellency Sheikh Mohammed Abalkhail, Minister of Finance and National Economy, Ministry of Finance and National Economy, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia (Dear Governor:) (Warm regards)

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The Honourable Dr. Richard Hu Tsu Tau, Minister for Finance, Ministry of Finance, CPF Building, Singapore, Republic of Singapore (Dear Governor:)

Su Excelencia Senor Carlos Solchaga Catalan, Ministro de Economia y Hacienda, Madrid, Espana (Dear Governor:)

The Honourable Ronnie de Mel, Minister of Finance and Planning, Ministry of Finance and Planning, Colombo, Sri Lanka (Dear Governor:)

His Excellency Kjell-Olof Feldt, Minister of Finance, Ministry of Finance, Stockholm, Sweden (Dear Governor:)

His Excellency Sommai Hoontrakool, Minister of Finance, Ministry of Finance, Bangkok, Thailand (Dear Governor:)

Son Excellence Monsieur Ismail Khelil, Ministre du Plan, Place du Gouvernement, Tunis, Tunisia (Dear Ismail:)

His Excellency Vlado Klemencic, Federal Secretary for Finance, Federal Secretariat for Finance, Belgrade, Yugoslavia (Dear Governor:)

The Right Honourable Robert Leigh-Pemberton, Governor, Bank of England, London, England (Dear Robin:)

The Honourable L.J. Mwananshiku, Minister of Finance and National Commission for Development Planning, Ministry of Finance and Technical Cooperation, Lusaka, Zambia (Dear Governor:)

Son Excellence Monsieur Djamboleka Loma Okitongono, Commissaire d'Etat aux Finances et Budget, Kinshasa/Gombe, Zaire (Dear Governor:)

Senator Dr. The Honourable Bernard Thomas Chidzero, Minister of Finance, Economic Planning and Development, Ministry of Finance, Harare, Zimbabwe (Dear Governor:)

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The Honorable Ridius Prawiro, Minister of Finance, Jakarta, Indonesia (Dear Governor:)

The Honourable Michael H. Wilson, Minister of Finance, Department of Finance, Ottawa, Ontario - Canada (Dear Mike:)

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BANK NEWS RELEASE February 19, 1986

Contact: Carol Stitt (202) 477-5322

ITALY SIGNS MIGA CONVENTION

Italy today signed the Convention establishing the Multilateral Investment Guarantee Agency (MIGA). This is the second industrial country to sign, following The Netherlands' signature earlier this month.

MIGA, which will be the first globally operating development agency in this field, will promote investments to developing countries by issuing guarantees against non-commercial risks and by performing a wide range of promotional services.

The MIGA Convention was opened for signature by the World Bank's Board of Governors on October 11, 1985, at the Annual Meeting in Seoul. Italy is the tenth country to sign the Convention, which will enter into force upon acceptance by five developed and fifteen developing countries whose subscriptions total approximately 360 million U.S. dollars.

His Excellency Giovanni Goria, Minister of Treasury, signed for Italy. The signing ceremony, which took place in Rome, was attended by Dr. Carlo Azeglio Ciampi, Governor of the Bank of Italy, Mr. Mario Draghi, the World Bank Executive Director representing Italy, and by Mr. Ibrahim F.I. Shihata, the World Bank's Vice President and General Counsel.

Mr. Shihata thanked Italy on behalf of the Bank for its important role in helping to get MIGA established. "In the course of time I think MIGA will prove to be a very significant factor in encouraging the foreign investment that the developing countries so seriously need," Mr. Shihata said. "It is our hope that MIGA will substantially improve the investment climate and help to stem the decline in the flow of foreign investment. I am confident that other countries will sign shortly, and I expect the Convention to enter into force in the near future."

Other countries that have already signed the Convention include: Ecuador, Grenada, Korea, The Netherlands, St. Lucia, Senegal, Sierra Leone, Turkey, and Jordan.

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Dear Bill:

Thank you for your letter and your indication of interest in working with MIGA. Although we have made an excellent start to getting MIGA under way, we have not yet progressed to the point of considering staffing. You may know that Rud Poats, formerly Chairman of the OECD Development Assistance Committee, is working with us on a consultancy basis on setting up the new agency. But that is as far as we have gone in terms of organization.

However, I will certainly pass your resume on to Ibrahim Shihata for his consideration. I just want you to be aware that it may be some time down the road before we are ready to go ahead with full-scale operations.

Thanks for writing. It was good to hear from you.

Sincerely,

A. W. Clausen

Mr. William H. Sholem 141, Court Lane London SE21 7EE England

bcc: Mr. Shihata (w/ incoming)

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William H. Sholem, 141, Court Lane, London, SE21 7EE.

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21st January, 1986.

Mr. A.W. Clausen,
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Dear Tom,

Re: Multilateral Investment Guarantee Agency.

You may know that I have been with the London Merchant Bank, Manufacturers Hanover Limited, since February 1982.

I am considering leaving MHL's Project Finance Group (which has a dominant contractor bid-support orientation) in order to take on responsibilities in arranging financings where experience and imagination in dealing with the three elements of country risk are crucial.

MIGA may be ready to start operations shortly. It needs a dynamic, experienced and respected professional in London to present MIGA properly and generate sound business. From what I can discern about MIGA's mission I have those credentials.

I would be grateful if you would put this strictly confidential letter and resume in the hands of Mr. Shihata and/or the individual responsible for MIGA recruitment so we can decide whether an interview at an early date is the next step.

Kind personal regards,

Sincerely,

William H. Sholem.

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FROM: Vice President and Secretary

February 21, 1986

MULTILATERAL INVESTMENT GUARANTEE AGENCY

- 1. The Convention Establishing the Multilateral Investment Guarantee Agency was signed on February 19, 1986, on behalf of Italy, by His Excellency Giovanni Goria, Minister of Treasury. Italy became the tenth country to sign the Convention.
- 2. The following letter is being dispatched to all members of the Bank and to Switzerland:

"I have the honor to inform you that the Convention Establishing the Multilateral Investment Guarantee Agency, which is deposited in the archives of the Bank and is open for signature on behalf of States members of the Bank and Switzerland, was signed on behalf of Italy on February 19, 1986."

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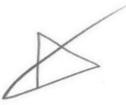
MULTILATERAL INVESTMENT GUARANTEE AGENCY

- 1. The Convention Establishing the Multilateral Investment Guarantee Agency was signed on February 3, 1986, on behalf of the Netherlands, by His Excellency Richard H. Fein, Ambassador of the Netherlands to the United States. The Netherlands became the eighth country to sign the Convention.
- 2. The following letter is being dispatched to all members of the Bank and to Switzerland:

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FROM: Vice President and Secretary

January 31, 1986

MULTILATERAL INVESTMENT GUARANTEE AGENCY

- 1. The Convention Establishing the Multilateral Investment Guarantee Agency was signed today, on behalf of Grenada, by His Excellency Albert O. Xavier, Grenada's Ambassador to the United States and to the Organization of American States. Grenada became the seventh country to sign the Convention.
- 2. The following letter is being dispatched to all members of the Bank and to Switzerland:

"I have the honor to inform you that the Convention Establishing the Multilateral Investment Guarantee Agency, which is deposited in the archives of the Bank and is open for signature on behalf of States members of the Bank and Switzerland, was signed on behalf of Grenada on January 31, 1986."

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DATE January 28, 1986

TO Mr. A.W. Clausen

FROM Ibrahim F.I. Shihata

FROM Ibrahim F.I. Shihata

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SUBJECT MIGA



This is to inform you that Jordan will sign the MIGA Convention on January 31. Grenada will follow suit soon thereafter. Three other countries (Egypt, Italy and The Netherlands) are expected to sign in February. This will bring the number of signatories to 11 countries.

We will try to secure signature by nine more countries before and during the meeting of the Development Committee in April so that the minimum number required for launching the Preparatory Committee (20 countries) may be obtained. In the absence of the U.S., the condition of subscription in at least one third of the Agency's capital would not be fulfilled, however.

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SUBJECT.

Convention Establishing the Multilateral Investment Guarantee Agency -Signing by Jordan

Arrangements have been made for the signing of the Convention Establishing the Multilateral Investment Guarantee Agency on behalf of Jordan by His Excellency Mohamed Kamal, Ambassador of Jordan to the United States, at 11:00 a.m. on Friday, January 31, 1986, in the Board Room (Room A-1100).

Distribution:

Mr. Al-Sultan, Executive Director

President

Mr. Shihata, Vice President and General Counsel

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CONVENTION ESTABLISHING THE MULTILATERAL INVESTMENT GUARANTEE AGENCY

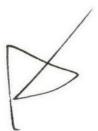
1. His Excellency Dr. Edgar Teran Teran, Minister of Foreign Affairs of Ecuador, on January 15, 1986, deposited Ecuador's instrument of acceptance of the Convention Establishing the Multilateral Investment Guarantee Agency. Ecuador thus became the first country to ratify the Convention.

The following letter is being dispatched to all members of the Bank and to Switzerland:

"I have the honor to inform you that on January 15, 1986, Ecuador deposited its instrument of acceptance of the Convention Establishing the Multilateral Investment Guarantee Agency, which is deposited in the archives of the Bank and is open for signature on behalf of States members of the Bank."

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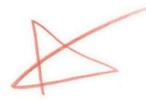
MULTILATERAL INVESTMENT GUARANTEE AGENCY

- 1. The Convention Establishing the Multilateral Investment Guarantee Agency was signed today, on behalf of St. Lucia, by His Excellency Dr. Joseph Edsel Edmunds, Ambassador and Permanent Representative of St. Lucia to the United Nations and the Organization of American States. St. Lucia became the sixth country to sign the Convention.
- 2. The following letter is being dispatched to all members of the Bank and to Switzerland:

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January 8, 1986

Dear Mr. Ambassador:

Mr. Rutherford Poats has kindly informed us of his conversation with you concerning the transmission to Switzerland of the Convention Establishing the Multilateral Investment Guarantee Agency (MIGA). You may therefore be interested in the enclosed letter and documents I am sending to Ambassador Jacobi here in Washington.

Switzerland's early signature and ratification of the Convention Establishing MIGA can be an important step towards the launching of this new Agency. I therefore hope that your Government will become a party to the Convention in the near future.

Sincerely,

A.W. Clausen

Enclosures

His Excellency Erich Roethlisberger Ambassador for International Economic Affairs Office of Foreign Economic Relations 3003 Berne, Switzerland

AParra:nr/cfh

Cleared with: Mr. Shihata

cc: Mr. Clausen's Office (2)

Dear Klaus:

I am pleased to enclose herewith for transmission to your Government a copy of the Convention Establishing the Multilateral Investment Guarantee Agency (MIGA) and the Commentary on the Convention.

Also enclosed are (i) a copy of the Resolution adopted by the Bank's Board of Governors at the Bank's 1985 Annual Meeting at Seoul approving submission to Governments of the Convention, and (ii) a memorandum outlining the steps to be taken by states wishing to sign, and ratify, the Convention.

As you probably know, five countries have already signed the Convention. I am confident that the number of signatory states will soon reach the number necessary for us to convene the preparatory committee of signatory states which will prepare the draft regulations and guidelines of the Agency as envisaged in the Board's Resolution.

I understand that during his visit to Switzerland on November 12-13, 1985, Mr. Ibrahim Shihata, the Bank's Vice President and General Counsel, met with Mr. C. Sommaruga, State Secretary of the Federal Office for Foreign Economic Affairs, to discuss the possibility of Switzerland's signature of the Convention. Mr. Shihata had also the occasion to discuss the convention in detail with a team of Mr. Sommaruga's Department headed by Mr. R. Jeker.

I do hope that by signing and ratifying the Convention soon, your Government will join other interested governments in launching MIGA in the near future. MIGA will then be able to achieve its objective of encouraging the flow of investments for productive purposes among its member countries and in particular to its developing member countries.

Sincerely,

A.W. Clausen

Enclosures

His Excellency Prof. Klaus Jacobi Ambassador Embassy of Switzerland 2920 Cathedral Avenue, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20008

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DEAR MR, CLAUSEN

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IT IS A GREAT PLEASURE ADDRESSING THIS TELEX TO YOU, FOR MANY YEARS MY TOP BOSS UNTIL I RETIRED FROM A QUARTER CENTURY CAREER WITH BA AND JOINED EDESA.

WE ARE - AS YOU PROBABLY KNOW - A PRIVATE DEVELOPMENT FINANCE COMPANY FOSTERING THE ECOMONIC DEVELOPMENT OF THE INDEPENDENT DEVELOPING SUB-SAHARAN COUNTRIES.

WE HAVE READ WITH GREAT INTEREST YOUR RECENT ADDRESS TO THE WORLD AFFAIRS COUNCIL IN WASHINGTON AND ARE MUCH IMPRESSED BY THE CREATION OF THE MULTILATERAL INVESTMENT GUARANTEE AGENCY (MIGA). OUR PRESIDENT MR. RENE GERBER WILL BE VISITING WASHINGTON ON OR ABOUT JANUARY 12 OR 13, 1986 AND WOULD VERY MUCH APPRECIATE IF ONE OF YOUR OFFICERS INVOLVED IN MIGA WOULD BE PREPARED TO RECEIVE HIM AND DISCUSS AND ELUCIDATE THE MIGA OPERATION. PLEASE TELEX AN APPROXIMATE DAY SO THAT MR GERBER CAN CONTACT THE OFFICER CONCERNED AND THEN SET DATE AND HOUR, WITH MANY THANKS, WARMEST REGARDS AND BEST WISHES OF THE SEASON

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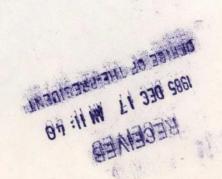
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Copy to Mr. Shikata



A Governatore della Banca d'Italia

Rome, December 6, 1985

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Dear President,

I have received the text of the Convention establishing the Multilateral Investment Guarantee Agency, that the Board of Governors decided to submit to Governments following the resolution adopted at the Annual Meeting at Seoul.

I have thus transmitted the Convention to our Government that has initiated the process of signature and ratification.

I sincerely hope that this final step, leading to the establishment of MIGA, will be taken by member countries promptly so that we can soon see the Agency at work.

Sincerely,

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Mr. A.W. Clausen President The World Bank Washington, D.C. 20433

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Le Secrétaire général The Secretary-General JCP/85.351

30th September, 1985

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Dear Tom,

Thank you for your letter of 13th September, 1985, conveying the good news that the MIGA Convention has now passed through the Executive Board, clearing the way for the Convention to be launched by the Board of Governors at the Annual Meeting in Seoul. I offer my congratulations to yourself and to your staff for the dedicated and skillful way in which you have pursued this goal, and the underlying objective of encouraging foreign investment in developing countries, since you took office.

The O.E.C.D. having encouraged the idea of a multilateral investment insurance scheme since the early 1960s, it is with particular pleasure the Organisation acknowledges the establishment of MIGA. I wish to assure you that the O.E.C.D. is more than willing to share in the task of ensuring that the new-born infant develops into a lusty, active child.

You may know that, at the invitation of Ruth Poats, Dr. Shihata has agreed to attend a meeting of the Development Assistance Committee on 24th-25th October, on the subject of

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Mr. A.W. Clausen, President, The World Bank, Washington, D.C. 20433. Development Co-operation with the More Advanced Developing countries. This will provide an excellent opportunity for senior aid policy people to learn at first hand of the provisions and potential of MIGA and to discuss with Dr. Shihata how their agencies might assist in the work of foreign investment promotion.

I look forward to seeing you in Seoul.

Sincerely yours,

Jean-Claude Paye

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WASHINGTON D.C.20008, Sept. 23, 1985 2900 Cathedral Avenue N.W. Telephone (202) 745-7900

Mr. A.W. Clausen President The World Bank Washington, D.C. 20433

Dear Tom

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Thank you for sending me the documents in relation to the creation of the Multilateral Investment Guarantee Agency (MIGA).

The idea of establishing an international body in order to provide insurance coverage for foreign investments and improving the investment conditions is an old one. The draft Convention now approved by the Bank's Executive Directors represents in this respect a remarquable breakthrough in this field.

As you know, my country is extremely interested in improving the general climate of the investments abroad. We are convinced that this is a condition to encourage the increase of a much needed capital flow in favour of Third World countries.

My Authorities in Switzerland will certainly examine carefully the documents you kindly transmitted to me.

Sincerely,

THE AMBASSADOR OF SWITZERLAND

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September 13, 1985

Dear Klaus:

I am pleased to inform you that the Bank's Executive Directors have approved the draft Convention establishing the Multilateral Investment Guarantee Agency (MIGA). The text of the draft Convention was discussed at length by the Executive Directors and constitutes a well-balanced package of the interests and views of capital-exporting and capital-importing countries. It has, in my view, the best chances of being widely accepted.

As conceived, MIGA will not just carry out insurance operations against non-commercial risks but will more broadly serve as a facility for cooperation between the investors' home countries and host countries with the overall objective of improving investment conditions and encouraging investment flows. The creation of MIGA would thus be a milestone in the Bank's efforts to stimulate greater flows of badly needed resources to developing countries. Its coverage will not be limited to private flows but will extend to all new, medium and long term investments which, in the judgment of the Agency, will be sound investments that contribute to the development of the host country.

The enclosed volume of documents is now being transmitted to the Bank's Board of Governors with the recommendation that the Board, at the forthcoming Annual Meeting in Seoul, open the Convention for signature by interested countries. I am looking forward to the favorable outcome of the Board of Governors' consideration of the subject during the Annual Meeting. I am also confident that, in view of these positive developments and the important role projected for MIGA, your Government will give the matter the attention it deserves.

Sincerely,

Enclosures

His Excellency Klaus Jacobi Ambassador of Switzerland Embasssy of Switzerland 2900 Cathedral Avenue, N.W. Washington, D. C. 20008



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(OFFICE OF THE MINISTER FOR FINANCE)

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8 November 1985

Mr A.W. Clausen President The World Bank Washington D.C. 20433 USA



Dear Mr Clausen

Thank you for your letter of October 25, 1985, concerning the Convention establishing the Multilateral Investment Guarantee Agency.

The question of our signature of the Convention is being examined actively here at present. I will let you know our decision as soon as possible.

Yours sincerely

Alan M.) Dukes

Minister for Finance

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14 November 1985

Mr A W Clausen President The World Bank Washington DC 20433 USA

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Dear Tom,

Thank you for your letter of 25 October enclosing the Convention (and a commentary on it) establishing the Multilateral Investment Guarantee Agency together with the Resolution inviting Governments to sign the Convention.

As you know, we have always supported the aims of the MIGA of promoting private investment in developing countries. The question of the UK Government signing the Convention is being carefully considered here and I hope that we shall be able to tell you something more positive before too long.

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October 25, 1985

Dear Governor:

As you know, the Board of Governors adopted a Resolution at the Annual Meeting at Seoul approving submission to Governments of the Convention Establishing the Multilateral Investment Guarantee Agency (MIGA). Pursuant to the Convention and the Board's Resolution, I have the pleasure to transmit herewith to your Government a copy of the Convention and a copy of the Commentary on the Convention.

The Resolution, a copy of which is also enclosed, invites
Governments to consider signature of the Convention. Already at Seoul,
three countries, Ecuador, Korea and Turkey, signed the Convention. I
am confident that the number of signatory States will soon reach the
number necessary for us to convene the preparatory committee of
signatory States which will prepare the draft regulations and
guidelines of the Agency as envisaged in the Board's Resolution.

The steps to be taken by States wishing to sign, and ratify, the Convention are outlined in the enclosed memorandum. I hope that by signing and ratifying the Convention soon, your Government will join other interested governments in launching MIGA at an early date. MIGA will then be able to achieve its objective of encouraging the flow of investments for productive purposes among its member countries and in particular to its developing member countries.

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Attached for your information is the recommendation of the Committee on International Insurance Law of the American Bar Association re signing by the U.S. of the MIGA Convention.

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RECOMMENDATION



The Committee on International Insurance Law of the Section of International Law and Practic recommends that the American Bar Association urge the President of the United States to sign the Multilateral Investment Guarantee Agency (MIGA) Convention in a timely manner and the Congress to take appropriate legislative action to implement it.

BACKGROUND

MIGA is an initiative of the World Bank. This proposed facility, which is designed to increase private foreign investment in developing countries, would be an autonomous agency with an organizational link to the World Bank. If it goes into operation, MIGA would issue guarantees, as well as co-insurance and reinsurance, against non-commercial risks for investments flowing from a developed member country into a developing member country.

The Convention has been approved by the Board Of Governors of the World Bank and been opened for signature by governments.

After being signed by member governments, the next step is ratification by those governments. It will become effective upon ratification by five developed nations and fifteen developing nations if their combined capital contribution to the MIGA is approximately \$360,000,000. United States adherence to the Convention would also be a two-step process, execution by the President and passage of necessary implementing legislation by Congress. The voting structure for the MIGA is set forth in Annex 1 here to.

ANALYSIS

The objective of the MIGA is to encourage the flow of resources to its developing members by issuing guarantees, coinsurance, and reinsurance against non-commercial risks and by carrying out complementary activities such as the dissemination of information on investment opportunities. As such, the MIGA is

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fully consistent with and supportive of the policies of the capital exporting countries, including those of the U.S. The communique of last year's Seven-Nation Economic Summit Conference in London for example attaches "particular importance to . . . encouraging the flow of long-term direct investment." Accordingly, the seven Heads of State participating in the Summit Conference agreed "to work with the developing countries to encourage more openness towards private investment flows. U.S. Government policy supports an open international investment system in which participants respond to market forces, thereby promoting global economic development.

By cooperating with and complementing national, regional, and private a political riskinsurance schemes for international investment, and by providing a procedure for orderly dispute resolution, the MIGA stabilizes investment conditions and enhances the Rule of Law with regard to private investment in the developing countries. Further, by giving developing countries a role in the protection of investment, the MIGA promotes a spirit of shared interests between capital exporting and other countries, thereby creating the potential for more balanced host country laws regarding investments. The MIGA also provides a forum for discussion of investment issues and is empowered by Article 23 of the MIGA Convention to "promote and facilitate the conclusion of agreements, among its members, on the promotion and protection of investments." More specifically, the MIGA covers the same four broad categories of non-commercial risks sought to be protected by other U.S. Government policies and laws: a) the transfer risk resulting from host government restrictions on currency conversion and transfer; b) the risk of loss resulting from action by the host government which has the effect of depriving the investor of his ownership, control, or substantial benefit from his investment; c) the risk resulting from the repudiation of a contract by the host government when the investor has no access to a competent forum, faces unreasonable delays, or is unable to enforce a final judgment and d) the war and civil disturbance risk.

Finally, MIGA provisions concerning dispute settlement encourage the peaceful resolution of investment disputes under, as is stated in the Preamble to the MIGA Convention, "fair and stable standards for the treatment of foreign

investment." Certainly, these provisions, providing for the possibility of submission to international arbitration of disputes between the Agency and a member country concerning a claim acquired by subrogation, are fully consistent with established international practice and that embodied in the International Center for the Settlement of Investment Disputes, which encourage resort to judicial or arbitral procedures. They are also consistent and supportive of established U.S. Government policy that the treatment of foreign direct investment be subject to international law, including customary international law.

EXPROPRIATION COVERAGE

The MIGA, as stated in its Preamble, is designed to play an important role in the protection of foreign investment against "non-commercial risk." For the most part, such coverage is provided in straightforward terms. Article 11(a)(ii) of the MIGA Convention describes the coverage of "Expropriation and Similar Measures" in the following terms:

Any legislative action or administrative action or omission attributable to the host government which has the effect of depriving the holder of a guarantee of his ownership or control of, or a substantial benefit from, his investment, with the exception of non-discriminatory measures of general application which governments normally take for the purpose of regulating economic activity in their territories.

This coverage of expropriation is clearly intended to apply to any taking that would be regarded as an expropriation under international law. The distinction between such an expropriation and a regulatory measure is similar to that drawn in U.S. jurisprudence for purposes of the Fifth and Fourteenth Amendments to the Constitution in determining whether there has been a taking requiring compensation. MIGA will be responsible under its expropriation coverage, for example, if a host government subjected an investor's property to taxation, regulation, or other action that is confiscatory or that prevents, unreasonably interferes with, or unduly delays effective enjoyment of the investor's property since these are not "non-discriminatory measures of general application which governments normally take for the purpose of regulating economic activity in

their territories." This MIGA exclusion from expropriation coverage in Article II(a)(ii) is similar to the exclusion from the definition of expropriation in the United States Overseas Private Investment Corporation (OPIC) General Terms and Conditions found in Section 1.13(e)(1).

The Commentary on the MIGA Convention confirms that the definition of expropriation coverage is not intended to prejudice investors' rights under international law to obtain compensation for an expropriation. The final sentence of Section 14 of the Commentary states:

In defining these measures, the Agency's practice would not be meant to prejudice the rights of a member country or of investors under bilateral investment treaties, other treaties and international law.

The quoted section from the Commentary serves as an assurance that MIGA will extend expropriation coverage to any loss deemed to be a taking under international law.

SUMMARY

In summary, the MIGA aids in the development of the Rule of Law in resolving investment disputes between developing country governments and investors from developed countries such as the United States. Clear contractual standards are imposed on potential disputants, who have agreed in advance upon a dispute resolution mechanism. The U.S. government and its constituent agencies, such as, OPIC support the MIGA. The U.S. should become an early adherent to the MIGA to assure strong U.S. influence and guidance in the MIGA's critical organizational phase. Therefore the bar should urge the U.S. to enter into full and early participation in the MIGA.

²See, Restatement of Foreign Relations Law of the United States (Revised) (1985), Section 712, Comment g.

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Annex 1 - The Voting Structure

The MIGA's voting system is designed to balance the requirement of the developed countries (Category I) for a system related to capital subscriptions with that of the developing countries (Category II) for voting parity with the industrialized countries. Schedule A of the Convention shows which countries belong in each category.

Under the system, each country receives 177 membership votes plus 1 vote per subscription share. Contributions are made according to the formula underlying allocation of shares for World Bank Capitals. As a result, Category I countries contribute 60% of the Agency's total and Category II countries 40%. The relative weights of membership and subscription votes are set so that the total votes of Category I countries will equal those of Category II if all members of the World Bank and Switzerland join the MIGA.

Additionally, supplementary votes will be made available during the first three years of MIGA's existence. These votes will be given to members of the category (expected to be Category II) which does not receive at least 40% of total subscription and membership votes. The supplementary votes expire at the end of the third year. During the three-year period, all decisions will be made by a special majority of two-thirds total votes representing 55% of capital subscriptions.

In the third year, the MIGA's Council will review the voting system according to several principles: (1) that voting rights be based on subscriptions; (2) that unsubscribed shares be made available to existing members in such a way as to make possible voting parity between categories; and (3) that measures be taken to facilitate members' ability to purchase the shares.

The final voting structure will be similar to that of the World Bank. Category II countries will be given the opportunity to increase their voting power by subscribing to additional shares. However, the reallocation of unsubscribed shares as well; as the conditions for these subscriptions, will be subject to approval by special majority. The ultimate allocation of shares to the members of the two categories will be postponed for three years. In this way, the decision will be limited to members of the MIGA, under the voting structure prevailing at the time of decision.

^{*}In the World Bank, each country receives 250 membership votes plus 1 vote per subscription share. 14 10A each Country member receives (00 membership votes.

Annex 1 - The Voting Structure

The MIGA's voting system is designed to balance the requirement of the developed countries (Category I) for a system related to capital subscriptions with that of the developing countries (Category II) for voting parity with the industrialized countries. Schedule A of the Convention shows which countries belong in each category.

Under the system, each country receives an equal number of <u>membership votes</u> plus a varying number of <u>subscription votes</u> related to its capital contribution. Contributions are made according to a formula by which Category I countries contribute 60% of the Agency's total and Category II countries 40%. The relative weights of membership and subscription votes are set so that the total votes of Category I countries will equal those of Category II if all members of the World Bank and Switzerland join the MIGA.

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Thus, a final decision on the voting structure was postponed for three years. In this way, the decision will be limited to "like-minded" countries i.e., those who actually decided to join the MIGA and have a stake in its success. Also, it was felt that it might be easier to solve the problem once the MIGA started doing business and was a going concern.

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Dear Archie:

Many thanks for your letter expressing your interest in MIGA. We are extremely pleased by the progress we have made so far. Most of our attention for the time being will continue to focus on securing the necessary ratification of the convention. But we will soon begin the task of getting MIGA off the ground.

In this connection, I am passing your note to Ibrahim Shihata who has so ably guided MIGA to this point. He will oversee the preparatory work and will keep your offer in mind.

Warm regards.

Sincerely,

A. W. Clausen

Mr. Archie E. Albright President Foreign Policy Association 205 Lexington Avenue New York, New York 10016

cc: Mr. Ibrahim Shihata Vice President and General Counsel

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October 23, 1985

Mr. A. W. Clausen The World Bank 1818 H Street NW Washington, D.C. 20433

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Dear Tom:

I have followed with great interest the news of the formation of the Multilateral Investment Guarantee Agency. I believe that this new agency will perform a vital role in attracting new investment from the private sector for the less developed countries.

I have felt for some time that economic aid programs and government-to-government loans are the least effective ways of promoting industrial development in third world countries, primarily because they lack the managerial and technological disciplines that normally accompany investments by the private sector.

If there is anything that I can do to assist or participate in the launching of MIGA, I would welcome the opportunity to discuss such a possibility with you. It is a very challenging and innovative development in this vital area of international investment.

Hope all is going well. Best personal regards.

Sincerely yours

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Mr. A. W. Clausen,
President,
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Washington D.C. 20433,
U.S.A.

Dear Mr. Clausen,

I am writing to acknowledge receipt of your letter of September 12, 1985 regarding the establishment of the proposed Multilateral Investment Guarantee Agency (MIGA). I have since received from Mr. Thahane, Vice President and Secretary of the World Bank the text of the draft convention for the MIGA and all the related documents which will be considered at the Annual Meeting in Seoul next month.

In view of the continuing decline of private foreign capital flows to developing countries and the urgent need for the community of nations collectively to tackle the concerns of foreign investors relating to non-commercial risks, I support whole-heartedly the proposal to establish the Multilateral Investment Guarantee Agency. It is also noteworthy that the voting structure of the Agency will ensure parity between host countries and the home countries.

Please allow me to recall that the idea of establishing an agency like the proposed MIGA was first mooted in the 1950's but that it was not actively pursued until you revived it in your first address to the Annual Meeting in 1981. It is my sincere hope that your efforts in this area will be rewarded by the approval of the Board of Governors next month.

Yours sincerely,

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OFFICE OF THE PRIME MINISTER

21st September 1985

STATE LODGE, NAKASERO KAMPALA

September 12, 1985

Dear Governor:

I am pleased to inform you that the Executive Directors have approved today the draft Convention establishing the Multilateral Investment Guarantee Agency (MIGA). The text will soon be transmitted to the Board of Governors with the recommendation that the Board, at the forthcoming meeting in Seoul, open the Convention for signature by interested countries.

The text of the draft Convention was discussed at length by the Executive Directors and constitutes a well-balanced package of the interests and views of the Bank's members. It has, in my view, the best chances of being widely accepted.

As conceived, MIGA will not just carry out insurance operations against non-commercial risks but will more broadly serve as a facility for cooperation between the investors' home countries and host countries with the overall objective of improving investment conditions and encouraging investment flows. The creation of MIGA would thus be a milestone in the Bank's efforts to stimulate greater flows of badly needed resources to developing countries. Its coverage will not be limited to private flows but will extend to all new, medium and long term investments which, in the judgment of the Agency, will be sound investments that contribute to the development of the host country.

The voting structure of the Agency also affords adequate protection to minority shareholders and ensures that when all members of the Bank join the Agency, home countries and host countries would achieve parity in voting power.

I am confident that you will give the matter the attention it deserves in view of the current world economic situation, and I am looking forward to the positive outcome of the Board of Governors' consideration of the subject during the forthcoming Annual Meeting.

Sincerely,

The Honourable
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September 13, 1985

Dear Jean-Claude:

I have the pleasure to inform you that the World Bank's Executive Directors yesterday approved the draft Convention Establishing the Multilateral Investment Guarantee Agency (NIGA). The enclosed volume of documents is now being transmitted to the Bank's Board of Governors with the recommendation that the Board, at its Annual Meeting in Seoul on October 8-11, 1985, open the Convention to signature by interested countries.

I am grateful for the contribution your encouragement and support made to this positive outcome and am confident that with your continued support, the projected HIGA will gain wide acceptance in the months ahead.

With warm regards.

Sincerely yours,

A. W. Clausen

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September 12, 1985

His Excellency Ghulam Ishaq Khan Chairman of the Development Committee Government of Pakistan Islamabad, Pakistan

Dear Mr. Chairman:

During last spring's meeting of the Development Committee, we had a constructive discussion of the Bank's proposal to establish a Multilateral Investment Guarantee Agency (MIGA). At that time, the Committee encouraged the Bank "to hold further discussions in order to reach an understanding among governments for the creation of MIGA on a voluntary basis".

In accordance with this recommendation, the Bank's Executive Directors, assisted by experts from member governments, have met in a Committee of the Whole under the chairmanship of Mr. I.F.I. Shihata to discuss the Convention establishing MIGA. I am pleased to inform you that the Committee has succeeded in finalizing a text of the draft Convention. Today the Bank's Board of Executive Directors formally approved this text and decided to transmit it to the Governors with a recommendation to open the Convention for signature at their forthcoming meeting in Seoul.

The positive development of affairs since the last meeting of the Development Committee is the result of the serious efforts of many governments and individuals. All of us in the Bank who have been connected with this exercise are grateful for your personal support, to which we largely owe the endorsement of the Development Committee last April.

In the course of the discussions and consultations, the issues related to both the merits and feasibility of MIGA in general and the features of the Convention in particular were discussed in depth. The agreed draft Convention strikes a delicate balance between the different views and interests and has required considerable concessions from all sides. With this in mind, I am looking forward to reporting at the next session of the Development Committee about the progress achieved since the last meeting and the steps ahead of us to bring the initiative to fruition. I am fully confident that under your leadership the Development Committee will be able to lend its support to this important initiative.

Warm regards.

Sincerely,

A.W. Gausen

cc: Messrs. Shihata, Burki and Shakow Mrs. Meigher

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(Signed) A. W. Clausen

His Excellency
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