Contribution to the Special Fund for the Asian Development Bank Institute from the Government of Malaysia

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ABBREVIATIONS

ADB – Asian Development Bank
ADBI – Asian Development Bank Institute
DMC – developing member country

NOTE

In this report, “$” refers to United States dollars.

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I. INTRODUCTION

1. The Asian Development Bank Institute (ADBI) is a subsidiary body of the Asian Development Bank (ADB). Its objectives are to identify effective development strategies and improve the capacity for sound development management of the agencies and organizations in ADB’s developing member countries (DMCs) engaged in development work. As per Article VII of the Statute of the ADBI, the institute’s expenses are met from the Special Fund for ADBI. This special fund is used to finance ADBI’s operations.

2. ADB administers the special fund in accordance with the provisions of Article 19, para. 1 (ii) of the Articles of Agreement Establishing the Asian Development Bank (the Charter). In 1996, the ADB Board of Directors approved the establishment of ADBI, the Statute of the ADBI, and ADB’s acceptance and administration of the Special Fund for the ADBI following an agreement between the Government of Japan and ADB. The Statute of the ADBI and the agreement between the Government of Japan and ADB permit the Special Fund for the ADBI to receive (i) voluntary contributions from any ADB member; and (ii) voluntary contributions, donations, and grants from intergovernmental organizations, nongovernment organizations, and foundations, with the approval of the Board.

3. The Government of Malaysia informed ADB in February 2023 of its intention to contribute to the Special Fund for the ADBI for demand-driven policy research, capacity building and training, and outreach to support ADB’s DMCs in Asia and the Pacific.

II. CONTRIBUTION BY THE GOVERNMENT OF MALAYSIA TO THE SPECIAL FUND FOR THE ADBI

4. The Government of Malaysia has proposed to voluntarily contribute $500,000 to the Special Fund for the ADBI in three installments: $166,666.70 in 2023, $166,666.70 in 2024, and $166,666.60 in 2025. The Government of Malaysia will deposit with ADB an instrument of contribution for $166,666.70 substantially in the form attached in Appendix 1 no later than 15 October 2023, $166,666.70 substantially in the form attached in Appendix 2 no later than 15 October 2024, and $166,666.60 substantially in the form attached in Appendix 3 no later than 15 October 2025.

5. ADB will hold and administer all contributions to the Special Fund for the ADBI solely for the purposes of ADBI, in accordance with Article VII of the Statute of the ADBI.

III. RECOMMENDATION

6. The President recommends that the Board of Directors approve the acceptance of a $500,000 contribution by the Government of Malaysia to the Special Fund for the ADBI, to be provided in three installments: $166,666.70 in 2023, $166,666.70 in 2024, and $166,666.60 in 2025 through instruments of contribution substantially in the forms attached as Appendixes 1, 2, and 3.

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FORM OF INSTRUMENT OF CONTRIBUTION

[date]

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Mandaluyong City
1550 Metro Manila, Philippines

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Dated this ____ day of ______________, _____.

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