

Notice of Uncontested Sanctions Proceedings

October 6, 2023

**Sanctions Case No. 763
IDA Credit Number 5572-ZR/IDA Grant Number D021-ZR
(Democratic Republic of Congo Health System Strengthening
for Better Maternal and Child Health Results Project)**

**IDA Credit Number 5998-ZR
(Additional Financing for Democratic Republic of Congo Health System Strengthening
for Better Maternal and Child Health Result Project)**

**Respondent:
Mr. Modou Bousso Diop**

1. On June 28, 2023, the World Bank’s Chief Suspension and Debarment Officer (the “SDO”) issued a Notice of Sanctions Proceedings (the “Notice”) to Mr. Modou Bousso Diop (the “Respondent”) pursuant to sub-paragraph 4.01(a) of Section III.A of the Bank Procedure: Sanctions Proceedings and Settlements in Bank Financed Projects issued by the Bank on June 28, 2016 (the “Sanctions Procedures”).
2. The Statement of Accusations and Evidence (the “SAE”) prepared by the Bank’s Integrity Vice Presidency (“INT”) and appended to the Notice contained INT’s accusation that the Respondent engaged in a Sanctionable Practice (as defined in the Sanctions Procedures) in connection with the above-named project (the “Project”). The SAE also contained the evidence gathered by INT in support of this accusation.
3. The specific accusation made by INT in the SAE was that the Respondent engaged in a corrupt practice by soliciting a commission payment from a potential contractor for a contract under the Project, while serving as an official with the Project’s implementation unit, in exchange for his influence on the procurement of the contract.
4. Based on a review of INT’s SAE conducted ~~in accordance with the SDO~~ Notice that the Respondent, together with certain Affiliates (as defined in the Sanctions Procedures) where so specified, be sanctioned as follows:

7. No Response having been submitted to the Sanctions Board by the Respondent within the specified period, INT's accusation in the SAE and the sanction recommended by the SDO in the Notice are deemed uncontested for purposes of sub-paragraph 4.04 of Section III.A of the Sanctions Procedures, and the recommended sanction set forth in paragraph 4 above has entered into force as of the date hereof.

