### EURASIAN TRANSPORT CORRIDOR INVESTMENT CENTER

LOAN NO.3715-GEO (EAST-WEST HIGHWAY (KHEVI-UBISA SECTION) IMPROVEMENT PROJECT)

Special Purpose Project Financial Statements For The Year Ended 31 December 2021

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### STATEMENT OF MANAGEMENT'S RESPONSIBILITIES FOR THE PREPARATION AND APPROVAL OF THE SPECIAL PURPOSE PROJECT FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

Management of the EAST-WEST HIGHWAY (KHEVI-UBISA SECTION) IMPROVEMENT PROJECT (the "Project") implemented by the Eurasian Transport Corridor Investment Center ("ETCIC" or Transport Reform and Rehabilitation Center – "Organisation") is responsible for the preparation of the special purpose project financial statements that present fairly the Statement of Sources and Uses of Funds for the year ended 31 December 2021, the Balance Sheet as at 31 December 2021 and the related Statement of Expenditure Withdrawal Schedule ("SOEs") and Statement of Imprest Account for the year ended 31 December 2021, in accordance with the Cash Basis International Public Sector Accounting Standard, *Financial Reporting under the Cash Basis of Accounting* ("IPSAS – Cash Basis"), and the Guidelines for the Financial Governance and Management of Investment Projects Financed by Asian Development Bank.

In preparing the special purpose project financial statements, management is responsible for:

- Properly selecting and applying accounting policies;
- Presenting information, including accounting policies, in a manner that provides relevant, reliable, comparable and understandable information; and
- Providing additional disclosures when compliance with the specific requirements in IPSAS Cash
  Basis are insufficient to enable users to understand the impact of particular transactions, other
  events and conditions on the Project, financial position and its sources and uses of funds and
  movements in designated accounts.
- Making an assessment of the Projects ability to continue as a going concern.

Management is also responsible for:

- Designing, implementing and maintaining an effective and sound system of internal controls, throughout the Project;
- Maintaining adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the Project's
  transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Project,
  and which enable them to ensure that the special purpose project financial statements of the
  Project comply with the Guidelines for the Financial Governance and Management of Investment
  Projects Financed by Asian Development Bank;
- Maintaining statutory accounting records in compliance with Georgian legislation;
- Taking such steps that are reasonably available to them to safeguard the assets of the Project; and
- Preventing and detecting fraud and other irregularities.

The special purpose project financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2021 were authorised for issue on 5 January 2023 by the Management.

On behalf of the Management:

Giorgi Tsagareli

Director

Marina Majagaladze Finance Manager

5 January 2023

5 January 2023



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#### **INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT**

#### To the management of Eurasia Transport Corridor Investment Center:

#### **Opinion**

We have audited the accompanying special purpose project financial statements of the East-West Highway (Khevi-Ubisa section) Improvement Project (the "Project") financed under the Loan Agreement No. 3715-GEO dated 5 October 2018 (the "Agreement"), implemented by the Eurasian Transport Corridor Investment Center ("ETCIC" or Transport Reform and Rehabilitation Center – "Organisation"), which comprise Statement of Sources and Uses of Funds for the year ended 31 December 2021, the Balance Sheet as at 31 December 2021 and the related, Statement of Expenditure Withdrawal Schedule ("SOEs") and Imprest Account Statement for the year ended 31 December 2021 and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory notes (collectively referred to as the "special purpose project financial statements").

In our opinion, the accompanying special purpose project financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2021 are presented fairly, in all material respects, in accordance with the cash basis of International Public Sector Accounting Standard (IPSAS) promulgated by the International Federation of Accountants (IFAC), as further detailed in Note 3.

#### **Basis for Opinion**

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards of Auditing ("ISAs"). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Special Purpose Project Financial Statements section of our report. We are independent of the Organisation in accordance with the International Ethics Standards Board for Accountants' Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (the "IESBA Code") and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements and the IESBA Code. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

#### **Emphasis of Matter**

Basis of Accounting and Restriction on Distribution and Use

We draw attention to Note 3 to the special purpose project financial statements, which describes the basis of accounting. The special purpose project financial statements are prepared to assist the Project's management in complying with the financial reporting provisions of the Agreement. As a result, the special purpose project financial statements may not be suitable for another purpose.

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This report is intended solely for use by the management of the Project in communicating to the Ministry of Regional Development and Infrastructure of Georgia and Asian Development Bank information about the Project's compliance with the financial reporting provisions of the Agreement. This report is not intended for the benefit of any other third parties and we accept no responsibility or liability to any party other than those mentioned above in respect of the report. Should any third party take decisions based on the contents of the report, the responsibility for such decisions shall remain with those third parties. Our opinion is not modified in respect of this matter.

#### Reissuance

We draw attention to Note 2, which describes the reissuance of the special purpose project financial statements due to an inaccuracy in the detailed description of the loan agreement name. As such, these special purpose project financial statements and the related audit opinion replace the previously issued special purpose project financial statements and related audit opinion. Our audit opinion is not modified in respect of this matter.

### Responsibility of Management and Those Charged with Governance for the Special Purpose Project Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these special purpose project financial statements in accordance with the cash basis of IPSAS the basis of accounting as further detailed in Note 3.

This includes determining that the International Public Sector Accounting Standard "Financial Reporting Under the Cash Basis of Accounting" ("IPSAS – Cash Basis") is an acceptable basis for the preparation of the special purpose project financial statement in the circumstances, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of special purpose project financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the special purpose project financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the Organisation's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters relating to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the Organization or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the Organisation's financial reporting process.

#### Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Special Purpose Project Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the special purpose project financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs will always detect a material misstatement when it exists.

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Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these special purpose project financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with ISAs, we exercise professional judgement and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and access the risks of material misstatement of the special purpose project financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Organisation's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on Company's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the special purpose project financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Organisation to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the special purpose project financial statement, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statement represents the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves the fair presentation.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

Shota Nanitashvili

Opbehalf of Deloitte and Touche LLC

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*Deloitte* 5 January 2023

Tbilisi, Georgia

#### STATEMENT OF SOURCES AND USES OF FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021 (in EUR)

	Ac	tual	Planned*		Variance	
	Period to date	Cumulative to date	Period to date	Cumulative to date	Period to date	Cumulative to date
FUNDS RECEIVED BY SOURCES			Unaudited	Unaudited	Unaudited	Unaudited
Asian Development Bank (ADB) Funds	32,652,345	99,201,894	-	-	-	-
Direct payments	31,758,921	97,476,184	-	-	-	-
Replenishment	450,000	450,000				
Capitalized Charges	443,424	1,275,710				
Government of Georgia						
(GoG) co-financing	10,619,025	36,227,842				
TOTAL FUNDS RECEIVED	43,271,370	135,429,736				
LESS: EXPENDITURE						
Category 1 – Civil works	29,239,472	93,132,938	29,239,472	93,132,939		
Category 2 - Construction supervision	0.506.500		0.500.500			
·	2,506,523	4,073,385	2,506,523	4,073,385		
Category 3 – Capacity, Building and Project Management Support	259,186	510,204	259,186	510,204		
Category 4 – Interest and commitment charges	443,424	1,275,710	443,424	1,275,710	_	_
ADB TOTAL	32,448,605	98,992,238	32,448,605	98,992,238		
Category 1 – Civil works Category 2 - Construction	10,537,080	36,053,224	10,537,080	36,053,224	-	-
supervision Category 3 – Capacity,	-	-	-	-	-	-
Building and Project  Management Support	81,945	174,618	81,945	174,618	-	-
Category 4 – Interest and commitment charges		-			-	
GoG TOTAL	10,619,025	36,227,842	10,619,025	36,227,842		
TOTAL PROJECT EXPENDITURE	43,067,629	135,220,080	43,067,630	135,220,080		
NET INFLOW OF FUNDS	203,741	209,656				

<sup>\*</sup>The project uses flex budget approach, so that at the end of the period Plan is always equal to Actual.

On behalf of the Management:

Giorgi Tsagareli

**Director** 5 January 2023

Marina Majagaladze

Finance Manager 5 January 2023

#### BALANCE SHEET STATEMENT AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2021 (in EUR)

	31-Dec 2021
ASSETS	209,656
ADB imprest account	209,656
TOTAL ASSETS	209,656
Funds received:	
Funds received from ADB	99,201,894
Funds received from GoG	36,227,842
Total funds received	135,429,736
Project expenditures:	
Financed by ADB	(98,992,238)
Financed by GoG	(36,227,842)
Total project expenditures	(135,220,080)
Foreign Exchange Difference	
TOTAL PROJECT EXPENDITURES AND OTHER FUNDS	209,656

On behalf of the Management:

Giorgi Tsagareli

Director

5 January 2023

Marina Majagaladze

Finance Manager 5 January 2023

#### STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURE WITHDRAWAL SCHEDULE FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021 (IN EUR)

Withdrawal No.	• •	Total SOE in withdrawal schedule	Total SOE Attributable to 2020	Total SOE attributable to 2021
108	21/07/2021	350,000*	244,085	105,916
	-	350,000	244,085	105,916

Withdrawal application No.108 was approved and replenished by ADB in 21 July 2021. Total SOE expenditure in withdrawal application No.108 was EUR 350,000 from which 105,916 is SOE attributable to 2021 and EUR 244,085 is SOE attributable to 2020.

On behalf of the Management:

Director

5 January 2023

Marina Majagaladze

**Finance Manager** 5 January 2023

#### **IMPREST ACCOUNT STATEMENT** FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021 (in EUR)

Account No.	210256397	
Depository Bank	State Treasury	
Address	16 V. Gorgasali street	
	Tbilisi, 0114	
	Georgia	
Balance as at 31 December 2020		5,915
ADD		
ADB replenishment		450,000*
DEDUCT		
Funds used for the Project expenditure		246,259
Balance as at 31 December 2021		209,656

<sup>\*</sup>Total Cash received on designated account in 2021 is 450,000, from which 350,000 is cash received from ADB at 21/07/2021 for remuneration of expenses paid by government in 2020 and 2021 and 100,000 is initial advance received from Donor.

#### On behalf of the Management:

Giorgi Tsagareli

Director

5 January 2023

**Finance Manager** 5 January 2023

NOTES TO THE SPECIAL PURPOSE PROJECT FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021 (in EUR)

#### 1. BACKGROUND

The Investment Center for Euro-Asian Transport Corridor was established in 1995 as a non-entrepreneurial and non-profit legal entity. A project unit named "Eurasian Transport Corridor Investment Center" (the "ETCIC" or Transport Reform and Rehabilitation Center – "Organisation") was formed within the Investment Center for Euro-Asian Transport Corridor to manage the allocated loan received from the Asian Development Bank ("ADB") and monitor the implementation of transport sector projects.

Project consists of construction of a dual carriageway or four-lane divided highway approximately 12 km in length between Khevi and Ubisa. The Project shall include the provision of Consulting Services for construction supervision and Project management support. The Project is expected to be completed by 30 June 2024.

#### 2. REISSUANCE

In the Special Purpose Project Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2021 dated 28 June 2022 of the East-West Highway (Khevi-Ubisa section) Improvement Project financed under the Loan Agreement No. 3715-GEO dated 5 October 2018, an inaccuracy was identified related to the detailed description of the loan agreement name and as such, it was decided to reissue the report. The following table summarizes the impact of the inaccuracy on the Special Purpose Project Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2021.

Page	Special Purpose Project Financial Statements For The Year Ended 31 December 2021 dated 28 June 2022.	Special Purpose Project Financial Statements For The Year Ended 31 December 2021 dated 5 January 2023.		
Cover page	LOAN NO.3715-GEO (EAST-WEST HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENT PROJECT)	LOAN NO.3715-GEO (EAST-WEST HIGHWAY (KHEVI-UBISA SECTION) IMPROVEMENT PROJECT)		
Header	EAST-WEST HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENT PROJECT LOAN NO.3715-GEO	EAST-WEST HIGHWAY (KHEVI-UBISA SECTION) IMPROVEMENT PROJECT LOAN NO.3715-GEO		
Page #1	EAST-WEST HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENT PROJECT (the "Project")	EAST-WEST HIGHWAY (KHEVI-UBISA SECTION) IMPROVEMENT PROJECT (the "Project")		
Page #2	East-West Highway Improvement Project (the "Project")	East-West Highway (Khevi-Ubisa section) Improvement Project (the "Project")		

#### 3. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

**Basis of accounting** – These special purpose project financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the cash-based International Public Sector Accounting Standard (IPSAS) promulgated by the International Federation of Accountants (IFAC).

These special purpose project financial statements, in accordance with the provisions of the Agreement No. 3715-GEO dated 5 October 2018 (the "Agreement"), are prepared for management analysis and in order to report the information to the Ministry of Regional Development and Infrastructure of Georgia and the Asian Development Bank. As a result these special purpose project financial statements may not be suitable for another purpose.

### NOTES TO THE SPECIAL PURPOSE PROJECT FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021 (in EUR)

**Project financing** is recognised as a source of project funds when the cash is received.

**Project expenditure** are recognised as a use of project funds when the payments are made.

Functional currency – These special purpose project financial statements are expressed in EUR.

*Transactions in other currencies* – Transactions in currencies other than reporting currencies are converted to US dollar at the exchange rate prevailing at the date of the transaction.

**Cash** – Cash comprises balances with the State Treasury.

#### 4. BASIS OF FUNDING

According to the terms of the Agreement, 75.86% of total clamed expenditure of the Works will be financed by ABD, Construction Supervision are financed 100% of the total expenditure claimed by ADB, Capacity Building and Project management are financed 100% of the total expenditure claimed by ADB, Preparation of detailed design for E-60 highway section from Natakhtari to Rustavi (Tbilisi Bypass) and Interest and commitment charges are 100% financed by ADB. It is allowed by the donor, to utilise loan funds, subsequent to relevant approvals, to finance projects under other loans, if there are any residual unexpended funds.

#### 5. METHODS OF WITHDRAWAL

The methods of withdrawal used from the inception of the loan to 31 December 2021 were as follows:

#### (a) Imprest account

Available amounts were drawn from time to time within limits determined within the loan agreements for the direct payment of eligible expenditure for sub-projects from this special account. 246,259 EUR was drawn from special account for project expenditures.

#### (b) Direct Payment

Available amounts are drawn from time to time within limits determined under the credit agreement for direct payments of eligible expenditure for sub-projects. Direct payments are made by ADB directly to third parties. Organisation forms withdrawal applications for request of direct payments and sends it to the ADB, for settlement.

#### (c) GoG current account

The Project maintains a separate account where funds from the Government of Georgia are accumulated. The funds are further disbursed to sub-contractors based on the share of expenditure to be incurred.

NOTES TO THE SPECIAL PURPOSE PROJECT FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021 (in EUR)

### 6. RECONCILIATION OF AMOUNTS SHOWN AS RECEIVED FROM THE ADB TO ACTUAL EXPENDITURE OF THE PROJECT

	31 December 2021
Application of Withdrawals Schedule	22.005.400
Expenses incurred in 2021 as per the Applications of Withdrawals Schedule	32,005,180
Expenses incurred in 2021 without Applications of Withdrawals Schedule	443,424
	32,448,604
ADB Replenishments	450,000
ADB Direct Payments	31,758,921
Capitalized Charges	443,424
	32,652,345
Add:	·
Opening balance	
Imprest Account	5,915
	5,915
Less:	
Closing balance	
Imprest Account	209,656
	200 555
	209,656
TOTAL EXPENDITURES INCURRED IN 2021	32,448,604

#### **TOTAL WITHDRAWAL SCHEDULE EXPENSES**

Withdrawal No.	Withdrawal application date	Total amount in withdrawal schedule	Total attributable to 2021
0071	14-Jan-21	100,000	100,000
0072	26-Jan-21	216,484	216,484
0073	27-Jan-21	38,886	38,886
0074	26-Jan-21	123,912	123,912
0075	27-Jan-21	77,230	77,230
0076	2-Feb-21	228,849	228,849
0077	2-Feb-21	13,350	13,350
0078	3-Mar-21	114,544	114,544
0079	4-Mar-21	5,312	5,312
0800	5-Mar-21	732,105	732,105
0081	5-Mar-21	732,105	732,105
0082	9-Mar-21	329,983	329,983
0083	12-Mar-21	334,408	334,408
0084	25-Mar-21	703,175	703,175
0085	25-Mar-21	703,175	703,175
0086	25-Mar-21	316,195	316,195
0087	25-Mar-21	316,195	316,195
0088	25-Mar-21	101,681	101,681
0089	25-Mar-21	6,272	6,272
0090	5-May-21	6,380	6,380
0091	5-Oct-21	121,540	121,540
0092	10-May-21	5,598	5,598
0093	18-May-21	576,983	576,983
0094	18-May-21	576,983	576,983
0095	18-May-21	252,368	252,368

### NOTES TO THE SPECIAL PURPOSE PROJECT FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021 (in EUR)

0096	18-May-21	252,368	252,368
0097	20-May-21	134,844	134,844
0098	21-May-21	30,246	30,246
0099	20-May-21	45,610	45,610
000100	20-May-21	27,643	27,643
000101	17-Jun-21	121,455	121,455
000102	17-Jun-21	6,789	6,789
000103	22-Jun-21	1,471,021	1,471,021
000104	22-Jun-21	1,471,021	1,471,021
000105	22-Jun-21	655,828	655,828
000106	22-Jun-21	655,828	655,828
000108	21-Jul-21	350,000	350,000
000109	27-Jul-21	128,079	128,079
000110	27-Jul-21	4,662	4,662
000111	27-Jul-21	905,819	905,819
000112	27-Jul-21	905,819	905,819
000113	27-Jul-21	407,429	407,429
000114	27-Jul-21	407,429	407,429
000115	25-Aug-21	6,547	6,547
000116	25-Aug-21	124,914	124,914
000117	25-Aug-21	8,435	8,435
000118	27-Aug-21	936,810	936,810
000119	27-Aug-21	936,810	936,810
000120	27-Aug-21	434,241	434,241
000121	27-Aug-21	434,241	434,241
000122	21-Sep-21	151,819	151,819
000123	21-Sep-21	5,794	5,794
000124	20-Sep-21	1,391,809	1,391,809
000125	20-Sep-21	1,391,809	1,391,809
000126	20-Sep-21	631,259	631,259
000127	20-Sep-21	631,259	631,259
000128	24-Sep-21	118,548	118,548
000129	24-Sep-21	11,334	11,334
000130	29-Oct-21	115,024	115,024
000131	29-Oct-21	9,979	9,979
000132	29-Oct-21	551,967	551,967
000133	22-Nov-21	617,428	617,428
000134	22-Nov-21	617,428	617,428
000135	22-Nov-21	279,426	279,426
000136 000137	22-Nov-21	279,426	279,426
	10-Dec-21	1,511,505	1,511,505
000138 000139	10-Dec-21 10-Dec-21	1,511,505 680,304	1,511,505 680,304
000139	10-Dec-21 10-Dec-21	680,304	•
000140	13-Dec-21	205,923	680,304 205,923
000141	13-Dec-21	8,961	8,961
000142	13-Dec-21	72,200	72,200
000144 000145	14-Dec-21 14-Dec-21	68,268 3,341	68,268 3,341
000146	14-Dec-21 14-Dec-21	48,995	48,995
000148	29-Oct-21	1,231,869	1,231,869
000154	29-Oct-21	1,231,869	1,231,869
000155	29-Oct-21	551,967	551,967
CAP-921A	15-Feb-21	233,862	233,862
CAP 1	15-Aug-21	217,314	217,314
CAP 2	15-Aug-21	(7,752)	(7,752)
	J	32,652,345	32,652,345
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NOTES TO THE SPECIAL PURPOSE PROJECT FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021 (in EUR)

#### 7. PROJECT EXPENDITURE BY COMPONENTS

	FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021		Cumulative from inception			
		GoG	<u> </u>	ADB	GoG	
Project Activities	ADB Financing	Financing	Total	Financing	Financing	Total
Component A –						
Investment costs						
Civil works	29,239,472	10,392,784	39,632,256	93,132,938	29,544,594	122,677,532
Land acquisition/social						6 500 600
mitigation	-	144,296	144,296	- 2 405 725	6,508,630	6,508,630
Construction supervision	1,618,863	-	1,618,863	3,185,725	-	3,185,725
Prep of Detailed Design for E-60 Highway			997.660	997.660		997.660
E-00 HIGHWAY	887,660		887,660	887,660		887,660
TOTAL COMPONENT A	31,745,995	10,537,080	42,283,075	97,206,323	36,053,224	133,259,547
Component B - Project						
management costs						
Project management costs	246,259	81,945	328,204	490,34	174,618	664,961
Financial Audit	12,927		12,927	19,861		19,861
TOTAL COMPONENT B	259,186	81,945	341,131	510,205	174,618	684,822
C						
Component C –						
Contingencies unallocated Contingencies unallocated						
Contingencies unanocateu	<u>-</u>					
TOTAL COMPONENT C						
TOTAL CONFONLINT C						
Component D – Financial						
charges during						
implementation - CAP						
Financial charges during						
implementation	443,424	-	443,424	1,275,710	-	1,275,710
TOTAL COMPONENT D	443,424		443,424	1,275,710		1,275,710
TOTAL PROJECT EXPENDITURE	32,448,605	10,619,025	43,067,630	98,992,238	36,227,842	135,220,080

The Project comprises the following main components:

- Component A Investment Costs;
- Component B Project management costs
- Component C Contingencies; and
- Component D Financial charges during implementation

### NOTES TO THE SPECIAL PURPOSE PROJECT FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021 (in EUR)

If the amount of the Loan allocated to a Category appears to exceed all agreed expenditure in that Category, ADB may, by notice to the Borrower, reallocate such excess amount to any other Category. The Project comprises the following main categories:

- Category 1 Civil Works
- Category 2 Construction supervision
- Category 3 Capacity Building and Project Management Support; and
- Category 3a Preparation of detailed design for E-60 highway section from Natakhtari to Rustavi (Tbilisi Bypass)
- Category 4 Interest and commitment charges

#### 8. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

The Management is not aware of any commitments and contingencies which would have a material impact on the financial position of the Project as at 31 December 2021 and on the funds received and disbursed during the period then ended.

#### 9. OPERATING ENVIRONMENT

Operating environment – Emerging markets such as Georgia are subject to different risks than more developed markets; these include economic, political and social, and legal and legislative risks. Laws and regulations affecting businesses in Georgia continue to evolve rapidly with tax and regulatory frameworks subject to varying interpretations. The future direction of Georgia's economy is heavily influenced by the fiscal and monetary policies adopted by the government, together with developments in the legal, regulatory, and political environment.

For the last several years Georgia has experienced a number of legislative changes, which have been largely related to Georgia's accession plan to the European Union. Whilst the legislative changes implemented during 2021 and 2020 paved the way, more can be expected as Georgia's action plan for achieving accession to the European Union continues to develop.

In addition to that, starting from early 2020 a new coronavirus disease (COVID-19) has begun rapidly spreading all over the world resulting in announcement of the pandemic status by the World Health Organization in March 2020. Responses put in place by many countries to contain the spread of COVID-19 are resulting in significant operational disruption for many companies and have significant impact on global financial markets. As the situation is rapidly evolving it may have a significant effect on business of many companies across a wide range of sectors, including, but not limited to such impacts as disruption of business operations as a result of interruption of production or closure of facilities, supply chain disruptions, quarantines of personnel, reduced demand and difficulties in raising financing. In addition, the Organisation may face the increasingly broad effects of COVID-19 as a result of its negative impact on the global economy and major financial markets. The significance of the effect of COVID-19 on the Organisation's operations largely depends on the duration and the incidence of the pandemic effects on the world and Georgian economy.

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Pandemic is at the phase of vaccination all over the world including Georgia that will have a positive effect on economy.

The economic shock caused by the coronavirus and the expectations of the future development of pandemic and its impact on the Georgian economy have been reflecting on increased volatility of the foreign exchange market and weakening of Georgian Lari against other currencies.

Management is unable to predict all developments which could have an impact on the Georgian economy and consequently what effect, if any, they could have on the future financial position of the Organisation. Management believes it is taking all the necessary measures to support the sustainability and development of the Organisation's operations.

#### 10. EVENTS SUBSEQUENT TO THE BALANCE SHEET DATE

On 21 February 2022, the President of Russia signed the executive orders on the recognition of the Donetsk People's Republic and the Lugansk People's Republic. On 24 February 2022, a decision to carry out a special military operation in Ukraine was announced. Subsequent to these events, the US, UK, EU and other countries announced an extension of sanctions on certain Russian officials, businessmen and companies. These developments may result in reduced access of the Russian businesses to international capital and export markets, weakening of the Russian Ruble, decline in capitals markets and other negative economic consequences.

The two major sectors of Georgian economy, wine production and tourism industry, are heavily dependent on the Russian market: according to market analysts' assessment, approximately half of the exported Georgian wine in 2021 were to Russia, the second largest being Ukraine; in the tourism sector, Russia and Ukraine also account for significant portion of travelers.

Special military operation carried out by Russia in Ukraine had no effect on the Project. Construction was continued and ongoing as planned.

#### 11. APPROVAL OF SPECIAL PURPOSE PROJECT FINANCIAL STATEMENENTS

These special purpose project financial statements were authorised for issue by the Management of ETCIC on 5 January 2023.