World Bank Annexes: Appendix 3

Status of World Bank Projects in Execution for the Russian Federation

1. The following has been taken from the World Bank <u>Status of Projects in Execution</u> dated September, 1994, at which point there were a total of 7 World Bank projects in execution in the Russian Federation.

<u>Ln 3734-RU Financial Institutions Development Project:</u> US$200 Million: Loan of June 22, 1994; Not Yet Effective; Closing Date: December 31, 1998; Executing Agency: Ministry of Finance (MOF)/ Central Bank of Russia (CBR). Diagnostic audits of banks by international firms have been completed for 13 banks and another eight audits should be completed by late October. Bid packages for twinning have been issued for six banks. For these six banks, negotiations with the selected foreign banks should be initiated within one month. Joint procurement procedures are being finalized with EBRD for bank automation procurement packages, and a mission is in the field to assist in the preparation of bank-specific packages. A sample subsidiary loan agreement is being finalized, and the signing process will be initiated by mid-October for all participating banks already identified. Issues currently discussed relate to developing arrangements for on-the-job training, and developing programs for off-site inspection. While much progress was achieved during project preparation on the conceptual framework for bank accounting, much remains to be done on the setting up of an actual implementation program. This is also true for enterprise accounting, where in addition the identification of proper counterparts (MOF, Parliament) is an issue. Satisfactory progress has been achieved towards the establishment of the PIU, following earlier difficulties. A consultant has been selected, and negotiations will begin shortly. The consulting team should be in place by November. Effectiveness date has been extended to December 20, 1994.

<u>Ln. 3756-RU . Land Reform Implementation Support Project:</u> US$80 Million: Loan of June 22, 1994: Effective Date: Not Yet Effective; Closing Date: June 30, 2000; Executing