

- (d) Buy and/or sell securities it has issued or guaranteed or in which it has invested;
- (e) Handle, on such terms as the Corporation may determine, any specific matters incidental to its business as may be entrusted to the Corporation by its shareholders or third parties, and discharge the duties of trustee in respect of trusts; and
- (f) Exercise all other powers inherent and which may be necessary or useful for the accomplishment of its purposes, including the signing of contracts and conducting of necessary legal actions.

Section 8. Political Activity Prohibited

The Corporation and its officers shall not interfere in the political affairs of any member, nor shall they be influenced in their decisions by the political character of the member or members concerned. Only economic considerations shall be relevant to decisions of the Corporation, and these considerations shall be weighed impartially in order to achieve the purposes stated in this Agreement.

ARTICLE IV

ORGANIZATION AND MANAGEMENT

Section 1. Structure of the Corporation

The Corporation shall have a Board of Governors, a Board of Executive Directors, a Chairman of the Board of Executive Directors, a General Manager and such other officers and staff as may be determined by the Board of Executive Directors of the Corporation.

Section 2. Board of Governors

- (a) All the powers of the Corporation shall be vested in the Board of Governors.
- (b) Each Governor and Alternate Governor of the Inter-American Development Bank appointed by a member country of the Bank which is also a member of the Corporation shall, unless the respective country indicates to the contrary, be a Governor or Alternate Governor ex-officio, respectively, of the Corporation. No Alternate Governor may vote except in the absence of his principal. The Board of Governors shall select one of the Governors as Chairman of the Board of Governors. A Governor and Alternate Governor shall cease to hold office if the member by which they were appointed ceases to be a member of the Corporation.
- (c) The Board of Governors may delegate all its powers to the Board of Executive Directors, except the power to:
 - (i) admit new members and determine the conditions of their admission;
 - (ii) increase or decrease the capital stock;