

§ 262p-4j. Promotion of lending for environment

The Secretary of the Treasury shall instruct the United States Executive Director of the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development to initiate discussions with the other executive directors of such bank and the management of such bank and propose that, in order to reduce the future need for bank lending for reforestation and restoration of environmentally degraded areas, the bank establish a project and policy based environmental lending program (including a loan a portion of which could be used to reduce and restructure private debt), to be made available to interested countries with a demonstrated commitment to natural resource conservation, which would be based on—

- (1) the estimated long-term economic return which could be expected from the sustainable use and protection of tropical forests, including the value of tropical forests for indigenous people and for science;
- (2) the value derived from such services as—
 - (A) watershed management;
 - (B) soil erosion control;
 - (C) the maintenance and improvement of—
 - (i) fisheries;
 - (ii) water supply regulation for industrial development;
 - (iii) food;
 - (iv) fuel;
 - (v) fodder; and
 - (vi) building materials for local communities;
 - (D) the extraction of naturally occurring products from locally controlled protected areas; and
 - (E) indigenous knowledge of the management and use of natural resources; and
- (3) the long-term benefits expected to be derived from maintaining biological diversity and climate stabilization.

(Pub. L. 95-118, title XVI, § 1615, as added Pub. L. 101-240, title V, § 512, Dec. 19, 1989, 103 Stat. 2510.)

DEFINITIONS

The definitions in section 262p-5 of this title apply to this section.

§ 262p-4k. Promotion of institution-building for nongovernmental organizations concerned with environment

The Secretary of the Treasury shall instruct the United States Executive Directors of the multilateral development banks to vigorously promote the adoption of policies and procedures which seek to—

- (1) increase collaboration with, and, where necessary, strengthen, nongovernmental organizations in such countries which are concerned with environmental protection by providing appropriate assistance and support for programs and activities on environmental protection; and
- (2) encourage international collaboration for information exchange and project enhancement with nongovernmental organizations in developing countries which are concerned with environmental protection and government

agencies and private voluntary organizations in developed countries which are concerned with environmental protection.

(Pub. L. 95-118, title XVI, § 1616, as added Pub. L. 101-240, title V, § 512, Dec. 19, 1989, 103 Stat. 2510.)

DEFINITIONS

The definitions in section 262p-5 of this title apply to this section.

§ 262p-4l. Improvement of interaction between International Bank for Reconstruction and Development and nongovernmental organizations**(a) In general**

The Secretary of the Treasury shall instruct the United States Executive Director of the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development to propose, and urge the Executive Board and the management of the bank to develop and implement¹ specific mechanisms designed to—

- (1) substantially improve the ability of the staff of the bank to interact with nongovernmental organizations and other local groups that are affected by loans made by the bank to borrower countries; and
- (2) delegate to the field offices of the bank in borrowing countries greater responsibility for decisions with respect to proposals for projects in such countries that are to be financed by the bank.

(b) Certain mechanisms urged

The mechanisms described in subsection (a) of this section shall include, at a minimum, the following measures:

- (1) An instruction to the management of the bank to undertake efforts to appropriately train and significantly increase the number of bank professional staff (based in Washington, District of Columbia, as of November 5, 1990) assigned, on a rotating basis, to field offices of the bank in borrower countries.
- (2) The assignment to at least 1 professional in each field office of the bank in a borrower country of responsibility for relations with local nongovernmental organizations, and for the preparation and submission to appropriate staff of the bank of a report on the impact of project loans to be made by the bank to the country, based on views solicited from local people who will be affected by such loans, which shall be included as part of the project appraisal report.
- (3) The establishment of the Grassroots Collaboration Program described in section 262p-1(a) of this title.
- (4) Before a project loan is made to a borrower country, the country is to be required to hold open hearings on the proposed project during project identification and project preparation.
- (5) The establishment of assessment procedures which allow affected parties and nongovernmental organizations to review information describing a prospective project or policy loan design, in a timely manner, before the

¹ So in original. Probably should be followed by a comma.

loan is submitted to the Executive Board for approval.

(Pub. L. 95-118, title XVI, § 1617, as added Pub. L. 101-513, title V, § 562(a)(2), Nov. 5, 1990, 104 Stat. 2032.)

PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 1617 of Pub. L. 95-118 was renumbered section 1622 and is classified to section 262p-5 of this title.

DEFINITIONS

The definitions in section 262p-5 of this title apply to this section.

§ 262p-4m. Population, health, and nutrition programs

The Secretary of the Treasury shall instruct the United States Executive Director of the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development to urge the bank to support an increase in the amount the bank lends annually to support population, health, and nutrition programs of the borrower countries.

(Pub. L. 95-118, title XVI, § 1618, as added Pub. L. 101-513, title V, § 562(a)(2), Nov. 5, 1990, 104 Stat. 2033.)

DEFINITIONS

The definitions in section 262p-5 of this title apply to this section.

§ 262p-4n. Equal employment opportunities

The Secretary of the Treasury shall instruct the United States Executive Directors of the multilateral development banks and of the International Monetary Fund to use the voices and votes of the Executive Directors to urge their respective banks and the Fund to adopt a policy which provides, and implement procedures which ensure, that such banks and the Fund, and the affiliates of such banks and of the Fund, shall not discriminate against any person on the basis of race, ethnicity, gender, color, or religious affiliation in any determination related to employment.

(Pub. L. 95-118, title XVI, § 1619, as added Pub. L. 101-513, title V, § 562(b)(1), Nov. 5, 1990, 104 Stat. 2033.)

PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 1619 of Pub. L. 95-118 was renumbered section 1622 and is classified to section 262p-5 of this title.

DEFINITIONS

The definitions in section 262p-5 of this title apply to this section.

§ 262p-4o. Respect for indigenous peoples

The Secretary of the Treasury shall direct the United States Executive Directors of the international financial institutions (as defined in section 262r(c)(2) of this title) and the United States representative to the council of the Global Environment Facility administered by the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development to use the voice and vote of the United States to bring about the creation and full implementation of policies designed to pro-

mote respect for and full protection of the territorial rights, traditional economies, cultural integrity, traditional knowledge and human rights of indigenous peoples.

(Pub. L. 95-118, title XVI, § 1620, as added Pub. L. 103-306, title V, § 526(e), Aug. 23, 1994, 108 Stat. 1633.)

PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 1620 of Pub. L. 95-118 was renumbered 1622 and is classified to section 262p-5 of this title.

DEFINITIONS

The definitions in section 262p-5 of this title apply to this section.

§ 262p-4p. Encouragement of fair labor practices

(a) The Secretary of the Treasury shall direct the United States Executive Directors of the international financial institutions (as defined in section 262r(c)(2) of this title) to use the voice and vote of the United States to urge the respective institution—

(1) to adopt policies to encourage borrowing countries to guarantee internationally recognized worker rights (within the meaning of section 2467(4) of title 19) and to include the status of such rights as an integral part of the institution's policy dialogue with each borrowing country;

(2) in developing the policies referred to in paragraph (1), to use the relevant conventions of the International Labor Organization, which have set forth, among other things, the right of association, the right to organize and bargain collectively, a prohibition on the use of any form of forced or compulsory labor, and certain minimum labor standards that take into account differences in development levels among nations including a minimum age for the employment of children, acceptable conditions of work with respect to minimum wages, hours of work, and occupational safety and health; and

(3) to establish formal procedures to screen projects and programs funded by the institution for any negative impact in a borrowing country on the rights referred to in paragraph (1).

(b) The Secretary of the Treasury shall submit to the Committee on Banking, Finance and Urban Affairs of the House of Representatives and the Committee on Foreign Relations of the Senate by the end of each fiscal year a report on the extent to which each borrowing country guarantees internationally recognized worker rights to its labor force and on progress toward achieving each of the goals described in subsection (a) of this section.

(Pub. L. 95-118, title XVI, § 1621, as added Pub. L. 103-306, title V, § 526(e), Aug. 23, 1994, 108 Stat. 1634; amended Pub. L. 104-188, title I, § 1954(b)(4), Aug. 20, 1996, 110 Stat. 1928.)

CODIFICATION

Another section 1621 of Pub. L. 95-118 is classified to section 262p-4q of this title.

AMENDMENTS

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