

THE INSPECTION PANEL

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IPN REQUEST RQ94/1

November 3, 1994

NOTICE OF REGISTRATION

Dear Sirs:

Re: Request for Inspection - Nepal: Arun III Hydroelectric Project

The Inspection Panel (the "Panel") has received a Request for Inspection (the "Request") dated October 24, 1994 from citizens of Nepal (the "Requesters") who claim that their rights/interests have been adversely affected by acts and omissions of the International Development Association ("IDA") during the design and appraisal of the above mentioned project. Two of the Requesters claim that they and their families have been directly and adversely affected by the design and implementation of the resettlement programs related to the proposed project. All of the Requesters claim to be affected by alleged violations of provisions of, *inter-alia*, the following IDA policies and procedures:

- Operational Policy/Bank Procedure 10.04: *Economic Evaluation of Investment Operations*
- *The World Bank Policy on Disclosure of Information*, March 1994; Bank Procedures 17.50 and 10.00 Annex A
- Operational Directive 4.01: *Environmental Assessment*
- Operational Directive 4.30: *Involuntary Resettlement*
- Operational Directive 4.20: *Indigenous Peoples*

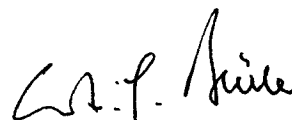
In accordance with paragraph 18 of the Panel's Operating Procedures (the "Operating Procedures"), I am notifying you that I have on November 3, 1994, which is also the date of the dispatch of this notice, registered in The Inspection Panel Register the Request, together with the attachments and other supporting documentation received subsequently by the Panel on November 2, 1994.

Two of the Requesters who wish to remain anonymous are represented by Requesters Messrs. Gopal Siwakoti and Ganesh Kumar Ghimire of Kathmandu. All communications to the Requesters in connection with this Request will be sent to the addresses below, unless another address is indicated to the Panel.

In accordance with paragraph 18 of IDA Resolution No. 93-6 and paragraph 18(d) of the Operating Procedures, Management of IDA is hereby notified that it must provide the Panel no later than December 6, 1994 with written evidence that it has complied, or intends to comply with the relevant policies and procedures in the design and appraisal of the above mentioned project. The essential criteria for the response to the Request are set out in paragraph 33 of the Operating Procedures.

The Request has been assigned IPN Request Number RQ94/1.

Sincerely yours,



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Chairman

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