

**INFORMATION SUMMARY FOR THE PUBLIC  
AMERICAN INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL OF ABUJA**

Host Country:	Nigeria
Name of Borrower(s):	American International School of Abuja
Project Description:	Expansion and renovation of the school's existing infrastructure and facilities, including construction of new on-campus faculty housing, renovation of the multi-purpose hall, cafeteria, library and classrooms, and a new gymnasium.
Proposed OPIC Loan:	\$5 million (up to 13 year term)
Total Project Costs:	\$20,000,000
U.S. Sponsor:	U.S. citizens, who serve as four of the seven voting members of the School's Board of Governors.
Foreign Sponsor:	Non-U.S. citizens, who serve as three of the seven voting members of the School's Board of Governors.
<b>Policy Review</b>	
U.S. Economic Impact:	This Project is not expected to have a negative impact on the U.S. economy. U.S. procurement associated with the Project is expected to have a positive impact on U.S. employment. The Project is expected to have a positive five-year U.S. balance of payments impact.
Developmental Effects:	This Project is expected to have a positive developmental impact by advancing high-quality education services in Nigeria. AISA is one of the few schools in Nigeria offering an American-style curriculum and extensive student access to technology. Additionally, this Project will align with the Government of Nigeria's aim to improve the quality of education in its public schools. Through a Memo of Understanding with the Education Secretariat in Abuja, AISA has committed to training public school teachers in Abuja in areas such as classroom management, student-centered instruction, literacy teaching techniques, and technology integration. Moreover, this Project will spur local economic growth through local procurement of construction materials and services as well as school supplies, educational services, vehicles, and maintenance costs.

<p>Environment:</p>	<p><b>Screening:</b> The Project has been reviewed against OPIC’s categorical prohibitions and has been determined to be categorically eligible. Projects involving loans to schools for construction are screened as Category B projects under OPIC’s environmental and social guidelines because impacts are site-specific and readily mitigated. The primary environmental and social issues associated with the Project include: solid waste and hazardous materials management, potable water supply and wastewater management; air emissions and noise, fire safety and emergency response. The Project will be located within an urban infill site not prone to wildfires and the housing units will receive their water supply from the municipal supplier that controls for drought conditions. Based on this vulnerability assessment, potential climate change effects will have little impact on the Project.</p> <p><b>Applicable Standards:</b> OPIC’s environmental and social due diligence indicates that the investment will have impacts which must be managed in a manner consistent with the following International Finance Corporation’s (IFC) 2012 Performance Standards (PS):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• P.S. 1: Assessment and Management of Environmental and Social Risks and Impacts;</li> <li>• P.S. 2: Labor and Working Conditions;</li> <li>• P.S. 3: Resource Efficiency and Pollution Prevention; and</li> <li>• P.S. 4: Community Health, Safety, and Security.</li> </ul> <p>The Project will not acquire land and does not involve physical or economic displacement of any residents. In addition, the Project site is in an urban area and not in or near protected areas or sensitive ecosystems (including cultural heritage sites), and no Indigenous Peoples will be impacted as a result of the Project. Therefore, Performance Standards 5, 6, 7, and 8 are not triggered by the Project at this time.</p> <p>The Project will be required to meet applicable provisions of the IFC’s General Environmental Health and Safety (EHS) Guidelines.</p> <p>The Project’s greenhouse gas (carbon dioxide equivalent) emissions are estimated to be less than 5,000 tons per year.</p> <p><b>Environmental and Social Risks and Mitigation:</b> The Project involves a loan for the expansion of an existing school located in an urban area and primarily involves the construction of faculty housing, gymnasium, track and volleyball court, cafeteria and auditorium and additional classrooms and office space. OPIC will require proper handling of solid and sanitary wastes, provision of potable water, proper</p>
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	<p>hazardous materials management, and implementation of international level occupation health and safety standards at the construction site and at the school during operations.</p> <p>The Borrower follows detailed procedures relating to worker safety. In addition, employees receive extensive orientation training as well as annual refresher training specific to their jobs. Electricity is provided by the local municipality. All solid wastes are properly stored until transported off site and disposed at municipal landfills. Potable water is supplied from the municipal system. Wastewater is discharged via the municipal system.</p> <p>The Borrower will be required to continue implementing its overarching environmental and social policy in order to ensure that the Project has an acceptable environmental and social performance. The Borrower will also be required to continue implementing its grievance mechanism. In addition, the Project will be required to comply with IFC's EHS General Guidelines.</p>
<p>Worker's Rights:</p>	<p>OPIC's statutorily required standard worker rights language will be supplemented with provisions concerning the right of association, organization and collective bargaining, minimum age, hours of work, the timely payment of wages, and hazardous work situations. The Project will also be required to operate in a manner consistent with the requirements of the International Finance Corporation's Performance Standard 2 on Labor and Working Conditions. Standard and supplemental contract language will be applied to all workers engaged by the Project.</p> <p>OPIC has reviewed the Project's labor management system for both the construction phase and the operational phase of the Project. This review included sample employee contracts, AISA's Staff Handbook, and AISA's representations of its policies and procedures. In order to bolster the Project's labor management system and fully align it with the IFC Performance Standards and OPIC's Worker Rights Requirements, OPIC will require the Project submit a contractor oversight plan for the construction phase of the Project; a non-discrimination policy; and a formalized grievance mechanism.</p>
<p>Human Rights:</p>	<p>OPIC issued a human rights clearance for this Project on July 21, 2016.</p>