Within 30 days of receipt of Explanation

EO reviews Request to determine if sufficient evidence to support a finding of Sanctionable Practice and a recommended debarment of two years or longer.

Sufficient Evidence

EO issues Notice of Temporary Suspension to Respondent. Respondent temporarily suspended for 6 months upon issuance. Temporary suspension posted on Client Connection.*

EO does not issue Notice of Temporary Suspension. INT may submit revised Request for Temporary Suspension to EO.

Insufficient Evidence

EO may decide to terminate temporary suspension upon consideration of Preliminary Explanation.

Within 5 months of issuance of Notice

EO may decide to terminate the temporary suspension.

Within 6 months (or 1 year with extensions) of issuance of Notice

INT does not submit Statement of Accusations and Evidence. Temporary suspension expires.

Sufficient Evidence

INT may request that EO extend temporary suspension from 6 months to 1 year. EO advises the Respondent of any such extension prior to last day of initial 6-month period.

EO issues Notice of Sanctions Proceedings (including recommended sanction) to Respondent. If recommended sanction exceeds 6 months, Respondent temporarily suspended upon issuance. Temporary suspension posted on Client Connection.

EO does not issue Notice of Sanctions Proceedings. INT may submit revised Statement of Accusations and Evidence to EO.

Insufficient Evidence

EO may withdraw Notice for manifest error or insufficiency of evidence. Proceedings are closed. INT may submit revised Statement of Accusations and Evidence to EO.

Within 30 days of delivery of Notice

Respondent may submit a Preliminary Explanation in opposition to temporary suspension.

At any time during temporary suspension

If EO determines, based on new information, that there was manifest error or clear basis for termination.

Within 30 days of delivery of Notice

EO may revise recommended sanction and/or terminate temporary suspension.

EO may review Statement of Accusations and Evidence to determine if sufficient evidence to support finding of Sanctionable Practice.

Sufficient Evidence

Within 30 days of receipt of Explanation

EO may revise recommended sanction and/or terminate temporary suspension.

EO does not issue Notice of Sanctions Proceedings. INT may submit revised Statement of Accusations and Evidence to EO.

Insufficient Evidence

EO may withdraw Notice for manifest error or insufficiency of evidence. Proceedings are closed. INT may submit revised Statement of Accusations and Evidence to EO.

Within 30 days of receipt of Explanation

EO may revise recommended sanction and/or terminate temporary suspension.

* Client Connection is a web-based information service available to
  ● Borrowers and recipients of funds from the World Bank
  ● Donors to trust funds managed by the World Bank (through the “Donor Center” section of Client Connection)
  Client Connection allows these World Bank partners to access information related to loans, credits, grants, and trust funds through a secure, password-protected website
  ● World Bank Group Staff

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Respondent does not contest. Sanction recommended by EO is imposed.

Within 90 days of delivery of Notice

Respondent contests allegations and/or recommended sanction by sending Response to Sanctions Board. If Respondent desires hearing, must request in Response.

INT may submit Reply in support of Notice to Sanctions Board. If INT desires hearing, must request in Reply.

Identity of sanctioned parties and corresponding sanctions are publicly disclosed.

Before any hearing

Respondent or INT may submit additional evidence (together with brief argument), if authorized by the Sanctions Board Chair.

Within a reasonable time frame

Respondent or INT may submit additional arguments and evidence in response to supplemental submission of other side, if authorized by Sanctions Board Chair.

Upon reasonable notice

No hearing request

Sanctions Board hearing

Sanctions Board deliberations

Sufficient Evidence

Sanctions Board issues final decision and imposes sanction.

Identity of sanctioned parties and corresponding sanctions are publicly disclosed on World Bank’s Website.

Insufficient Evidence

Proceedings terminated. INT may submit revised Statement of Accusations and Evidence to EO if new evidence available.