Summary of the Request MICI-BID-BR-2017-0123

The Original Request is available only in Portuguese; therefore, a summary of the Request in English is presented below:

The Request was sent by the Public Defender's Office of the State of São Paulo on behalf of a group of residents of the city of Guarulhos in Brazil.

The Request raises potential harms related to the resettlement component that is part of the "Várzeas del Tietê Program" (BR-L1216). Specifically, it alleges damages to the property and living conditions of the resettled families, as well as impact on the area's social fabric. In addition, the Request points out a lack of public consultations regarding the housing for those affected by the resettlement.

According to the Request, the Program lacks a Resettlement Master Plan (PDR, for its acronym in Portuguese) that includes up-to-date and accurate socio-economic information on the area where resettlement of families will take place, as well as consultations with affected communities; which would result in insufficient compensatory measures. It is the Requesters consideration that because of after mentioned condition; there would be a possible non-compliance with the Bank's Involuntary Resettlement Policy (OP-710).

In addition, Requesters are asking for information regarding the loan to the Government of São Paulo for this Program and details of the credit operations given by the IDB.