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Messrs. Byl, Grosjean and Wilkinson

February 19, 1969

Bruce M. Cheek

Economic Mission to Chad

1. You will take part in an economic mission to Chad starting in Fort Lamy on March 11, 1969. Mr. Wilkinson will lead the mission until about March 15, when he will return to Washington. Mr. Byl will lead the mission thereafter. You will be accompanied by Messrs. Haasjes (PMNA), Pouliquen (Transportation Projects Department), and an FAO fisheries specialist, who each have separate terms of reference. The mission will end about March 29. In connection with this mission, Mr. Wilkinson will visit Paris for discussions with FAC on about March 3. Mr. Byl may visit Paris and will visit Brussels for discussions with FAC and FED on about March 31/April 1, and Mr. Grosjean may visit Abidjan from about March 31 to April 5.
2. Mr. Wilkinson and Mr. Byl will be responsible for the analysis of the current situation and prospects of the Chad economy with particular reference to public finance, the balance of payments and development planning. They will review and evaluate the Government's medium- and long-term development strategy as a whole, taking into account the conclusions and recommendations of the sector specialists participating in the mission.
3. Mr. Grosjean will work mainly on the agriculture sector. In particular, he will assist the other members of the mission in the evaluation of the prospects for cotton production in Chad.
4. On your return to Washington, you will prepare a back-to-office report and a full report. Your report should provide the basis for recommendations to the Bank as to the terms of Bank/IDA lending to Chad, the extent to which the Bank/IDA should be prepared to finance more than the foreign exchange costs of projects, and the sectors of the economy in which the Bank/IDA should expect to increase its operations in the future.

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