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MAIL IBPGR CC CGIOO1 SU MESSAGE FOR TREVOR WILLIAMS

Dear Trevor,

I appreciate the personal compliment paid to Don Plucknett by your invitation to him to chair your in-house review. It comes, however, at a time when we are aware of considerable criticism of the CG secretariat for lack of clarity in its role. I would also, myself, be a bit unsure whether a science adviser in the secretariat should be considered as "independent" in the sense you use the term.

Accordingly, I think it would be better if we ask you to turn elsewhere for this important task.

I would, of course, have no problem with Don attending the review as an observer, if that is your wish.

Best regards,

Curtis Farrar

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To: C.FARRAR (CG1005)

Cc: D.PLUCKNETT (CG1009)

From: IBPGR (CGI101) Delivered: Fri 17-July-87 9:32 EDT Sys 157 (24

Subject: IBPGR in-House review
Mail Id: IPM-157-870717-085880944

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Dear Curt,

- We have agreed that the December 1987 In-House Review will focus on public relations so that our outposted field staff can help us devise the best possible linkages with our client countries. We have fixed the dates as 7 to 9 December in HQ in Rome.
- Normally, IBPGR In-House Reviews are chaired by a Board member or an independent person. In this case we are fully of the opinion that the best person available would be Don Plucknett of the CGIAR Secretariat.
- 3. I mentioned this informally to Don in Nairobi, but need your concurrence. I'm sure, unless there is a clash in timing, you will also support this. We will be willing to pay the ticket and DSA at our normal rates.

Hope you've recovered from your extensive travel and fatigue from last month. I know all too well how you felt.

Yours,

Trevor Williams

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To: C.FARRAR (CGI005)

From: IBPGR (CGI101) Delivered: Mon 8-June-87 3:22 EDT Sys 157

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Subject: SE Asia

Mail Id: IPM-157-870608-030380420

To: Curtis Farrar From: Trevor Williams

You will have received copies of a number of letters from people in SE Asia addressed to the IBPGR Chairman (and copied to the Chairman, CGIAR).

The letters are based on mis-information given by our staff member in that region whom we terminated on 31 March 1987.

The Chairman IBPGR is writing to all concerned and a copy will be sent to CGIAR. This will explain the mix-up.

We are not terminating activities in the region; we are simply expanding the programme to embrace more countries and locating a new staff officer in India, at the request of the Indian Government with which we are negotiating a memorandum of understanding.

Trevor PR 3/11 IBPGR General

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MAIL ILRAD AR SU MESSAGE FOR DR. W. TOSSELL ATTENDING TAC MEETING

TO:

Dr. W. Tossell

FROM:

Doreen Calvo, CGR

SUBJECT: IBPGR board

Ref. IBPGR. As discussed, Moctar Toure from Senegal would be happy to have his name go forward for vacancy in 1988. Roger Rowe knows him well.

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May 27, 1987

From: The Secretariat

Committee Meeting on the IBPGR

Montpellier, France
May 19, 1987

The report of the meeting of the CGIAR committee on the IBPGR which was distributed in Montpellier contained typographical errors. A revised version is distributed herewith for your files.

Attachment

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# Report of the CGIAR Committee on the IBPGR

Meeting at Montpellier, May 19, 1987

Present: Mr. Brady, Mr. Wessels, Mr. Muhammed.

Absent: Mr. Husain, Mr. Caudron and Mr. McWilliam.

Others: Mr. Bonte-Friedheim, Mr. Farrar, Mr. Ozgediz,

Mr. Williams.

Working in the absence of the chairman and of two members, but with a general knowledge of their views, the committee considered the agreement signed on February 27, 1987 by Mr. J. Peacock, chairman of the trustees of the IBPGR, and Mr. D. Walton, deputy director general of FAO. This agreement, which is attached, will govern relationships between the IBPGR and the FAO for a period through the end of 1988.

The agreement covers all of the major substantive issues related to constraints on IBPGR management which have concerned the Group. It was signed in an atmosphere of understanding which creates a favorable context for its implementation, and this atmosphere continues.

The committee learned from Mr. T. Williams that the IBPGR has moved its offices into new and more adequate space, and has initiated recruitment to fill all professional vacancies. An informal joint committee has been formed to deal with any issues that may arise. It is composed of the chairman of the IBPGR, Mr. Peacock, and a board member, Mr. Holden, and the assistant director general for agriculture of the FAO, Mr. Bonte-Friedheim, and the head of the relevant FAO division, Mr. Brader. Mr. Bonte-Friedheim agreed with Mr. Williams that no issues had arisen so far which appeared to threaten the implementation of the agreement.

The FAO has committed itself to continued financial support of the IBPGR. Three professional positions are transferred from the FAO to the IBPGR, which will increase its annual budget by about \$215,000. This transfer seems appropriate under the terms of the agreement.

The committee is very satisfied with the agreement and the progress reported in carrying it out. They are confident that the agreement can represent a basis for a mutually profitable long term relationship between the IBPGR and the FAO. The committee congratulates both organizations on this achievement.

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Since, however, the agreement runs only to the end of next year, and will need to be renewed or amended in the light of experience, the committee agreed to the request of the chairman that it should remain in existence, subject to his call. A review of implementation will be made early in 1988 by which time the initial round of substantive actions, including recruitments, should have been completed, and recommendations can be made for a permanent agreement.

Mr. Peacock took up the chairmanship of the board at the beginning of 1987. He would normally leave the board at the end of the year, having served six years. Both the board of the IBPGR and the FAO recommend that he be extended as chairman on an exceptional basis for one year, that is for the life of the present agreement. The committee recommends that the Group approve this extention, which will be submitted in the normal manner for CGIAR nominated members of the IBPGR.

The committee noted that, although it was not the intention, the membership of the IBPGR board which has emerged from decisions made in full consultation with the committee, includes a relatively small number of developing country members. The committee agrees with the views of the board that this be corrected by new appointments as soon as possible.

Attachment: Agreement of February 27, 1987

#### MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

# Arrangements for the Administration of the IBPGR

This Memorandum summarizes the agreement on steps to tackle outstanding administrative problems reached between the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) and the International Board for Plant Genetic Resources (IBPGR), in the course of exchanges of correspondence and discussions, and in particular during meetings in Rome between 23 and 26 February 1987.

The problems which have been encountered arise essentially from the difficulty of reconciling, on the one hand, the character of the IBPGR as an autonomous entity within the CGIAR system, and on the other hand, the constraints imposed by the fact that its staff are all FAO staff members, subject to the FAO Staff Regulations and Rules, and ultimately responsible to the Director-General. Substantial progress has been made in overcoming specific problems during the last few months. In particular, FAO has managed - despite its own problems of office space - to make available expanded accommodation for the IBPGR, thus enabling action to proceed on the recruitment of the additional staff authorized by the Board. Furthermore, FAO has agreed to apply to IBPGR-funded staff the more flexible procedures which govern the administration of extra-budgetary projects.

Nevertheless, a number of difficulties still remain, and the following additional understandings have been reached.

The IBPGR has offered to take over the funding of the three professional posts in its staff which are at present financed under the FAO Regular Programme. This offer has been accepted by FAO. All IBPGR professional staff will thus be on the same footing.

It is understood and agreed on both sides that the work programme of the IBPGR staff, on which they will all be engaged full time, is that defined by the Board. The Director of the IBPGR will be responsible to the Board for the implementation of this programme.

Administratively, the IBPGR Secretariat is appointed by FAO and is subject to the internal discipline and rules applying to FAO staff. The Director of the IBPGR Secretariat reports on administrative matters to the Director of the FAO Plant Production and Protection Division.

Decisions on the recruitment and promotion of IBPGR staff, and on any other significant administrative issues, will be worked out jointly between FAO and the IBPGR. For this purpose, FAO will normally be represented by the Assistant Director—General, Agriculture Department, and/or the Director, Plant Production and Protection Division. The IBPGR will normally be represented by the Chairman and/or a member of the Board, together with the Director of the IBPGR staff. FAO will make every effort compatible with its internal rules and regulations to meet the requirements of the Board. IBPGR recommendations regarding levels of remuneration will be translated, as necessary, into FAO grade levels, taking account of the various allowances provided by FAO and other agencies of the United Nations common system. It is understood that, because of the need to preserve equity towards its staff as a whole, FAO has only limited discretion in fixing grade levels.

While FAO does not propose any formal limitation on the number of IBPGR staff covered by these arrangements, the Organization expects to have continuing problems of space for some years to come. Should the Board wish to consider a further major expansion of staff in Rome, the problem of accommodation should be discussed at an early stage.

The steps which are set out above are intended to reinforce the already close cooperation between the IBPGR and FAO on substantive activities in the field of plant genetic resources. The Director of the IBPGR will keep the Director of the FAO Plant Production and Protection Division closely informed in all phases of preparation and implementation of the work programme of the Board. Conversely, FAO will consult the Chairman and/or Director of the IBPGR closely insofar as FAO develops its own programme in this field. The objective of both parties will be to ensure full complementarity of action for the benefit of all countries, and in particular the developing nations.

The above arrangements are established on a trial basis from now to the end of 1988. IBPGR staff will be given fixed-term contracts up to 31 December 1988 unless a shorter period is requested by the Board, or unless their contracts already extend beyond that date. In order to ensure continuity a decision should be taken early in 1988 as to whether it is the mutual desire of the two parties to maintain the present relationship between FAO and the IBPGR, as supplemented by this agreement, or to seek an alternative solution.

Declan J. Walton

Deputy Director-General
Food & Agriculture Organization
of the United Nations

James Peacock Chairman, Board of Trustees International Board for

Plant Genetic Resources

# SUGAR REGULATORY ADMINISTRATION La Granja, La Carlota City PHILIPPINES

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May 19, 1987

Dr. W. J. Peacock, Chairman IBPGR Chief, Division of Plant Industry CSIRO, G.P.O. Box 2600 Canberra ACT 2601 AUSTRALIA

Dear Dr. Peacock,

This letter may come as a surprise to you. I am writing this because I am closely associated with the IBPGR Southeast Asian Programmes being a recipient of a training course in Bangkok, Thailand in 1983 and the representative of IBPGR extrainees from the Philippines in the International Symposium on Southeast Asian Plant Genetic Resources at Jakarta, Indonesia in 1985. I was also a member of the Saccharum Germplasm Exploration and Collection Team in the Philippines which IBPGR funded in 1984.

I just learned that IBPGR decided to merge the South and Southeast Asian Regional Programmes and transfer the regional office to New Delhi. We learned, too, that the office of Dr. Narong Chomchalow was closed at the end of March, 1987.

Such decision surprised me because during the symposium at Jakarta in 1985, everybody agreed that the Southeast Asia Regional Program is the best outside Europe. There is good cooperation among country members and PGR workers. Many people from different countries benefited from the training courses that were organized and in the exchange of germplasm materials. Several germplasm collecting missions were sponsored by IBPGR. Dr. Narong Chomchalow have been very active and he dedicated several years of his prime life working on the Southeast Asia Regional Programme, organizing and involving himself in the training courses, collecting missions as well as editing the Regional Newsletter which kept the PGR workers aware of what is happening in the region. He is responsible for the publication of several training and symposium proceedings. He likewise visit IBPGR-funded projects in different countries.

I hope that IBPGR will re-essess the situation and come up with a good decision. I wish to endorse the re-appointment of Dr. Narong Chomchelow and the retention of the Regional Office in Bangkok. I have high hopes that IBPGR will value his past accomplishments and would not lose a career-oriented and dedicated man like him.

Best regards.

Very truly yours,

Nena S. Divinagracia NENA S. DIVINAGRACIA Supervising Sugercene Breeder end IBPGR ex-trainee

cc: Chairman, CGIAR, Washington D.C.
Director General, FAO, Rome
Chairman, TAC, FAO, Rome
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May 16, 1987

Dr. Narong Chomchalow ex-IBPGR Field Officer for Southeast Asia IBPGR Regional Office for Asia and the Pacific Maliwan Mansion, Phra Atit Road Bangkok 10200, Thailand

Dear Narong,

Thank you for your recent letter, as I had wondered about your current situation, i.e., whether or not your regional office was still operating and what your own circumstances might be. It is regretful to learn that your office was closed on March 31.

Following our last visit in November, 1986, I thought about you many times and reflected on IBPGR's potential loss of an excellent leader if your office were to be closed. Recalling very clearly events at the Association for Scientific Cooperation in Asia (ASCA) Seminar in Japan in November, 1985, which we both attended, I was impressed with your relationship with representatives from the various Asian countries. You were accepted as their regional leader with respect and confidence. The information, publications, current ideas, and proposals for regional collection, evaluation, preservation, and exchange of genetic resources you presented were accepted with enthusiasm and positive comments. It requires time, cooperation, communication, and effort to implement these ideas, but you have the conviction, sincerity of purpose, dedication, and devoted years of experience to effectively accomplish that. It would seem unfortunate to have your essential programs permanently terminated, because they are badly needed.

On one trip to Bangkok to see you, I also visited the National Genebank of Thailand. This important facility represents a good example of the cooperative relationships between IBPGR and Thailand, a credit to you and all others concerned.

In March and April, 1986, (at my own expense), I visited Singapore, the plantations of Malaysia, Australia--the CSIRO in Canberra and lucerne seed producing areas of South Australia--, New Zealand, and Fiji. My limited observations clearly indicate the great need for greater genetic resources work yet to be done, as already documented by IBPGR and others. The rich genetic diversity in Southeast Asia and South Pacific areas should be exploited appropriately through your programs.

Monetary constraints often make this work difficult and cannot be overlooked, thus it takes unique people with talents likes yours to establish good rapport with cooperating agencies and make your on-going programs succeed. It would be unfortunate to lose the momentum you have already developed.

As copies of this letter will be sent to people who may not know me, may I briefly introduce myself as follows:

- 1. Professor Emeritus, Iowa State University, Ames, Iowa Retired from U.S. Department of Agriculture, Ag Research Service after 27 years as Coordinator, North Central Regional Plant Introduction Station
  - Active in regional, national, and international committees and programs.
- 2. International Germplasm work
  - Leader of plant exploration trip in USSR in 1967 for the U.S.
  - Member of consultative committees Tripartite meeting of the FAO/UNDP/Plant Germplasm Institute, in Sadavo, Bulgaria, in 1980. Reviewed the Institutes germplasm program and prepared report for FAO.
  - Leader, Genetic Resources Unit, International Center for Research in the Semi Arid Tropics (ICRISAT) from October, 1984 to February, 1986.
  - ICRISAT Representative to ASCA Seminar in Japan, November, 1985 presented report.
  - Cooperated closely with IBPGR while at ICRISAT.
  - Consultant and Leader of Design Team, September-November, 1986, for USAID in India to review and recommend high priority needs for Genetic Resources, Plant Quarantine facilities and program development for the Government of India National Bureau of Plant Genetic Resources (NBPGR).

Narong, I wish you the best in whatever the future holds.

Sincerely yours,

Willis H. Skrdla, Ph.D.

Willis H. Shrolla

Professor Emeritus,

Iowa State University

cc: Dr. W.J. Peacock, Chairman IBPGR, Australia

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Director General, FAO, Rome

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Dr. D.R. Marshall, Waite Agricultural Research Institute, Australia

Dr. A. Papasolomontos, Director General, Ministry of Agriculture and Natural Resource, Cyprus



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North Avenue, Diliman, Quezon City P.O. Box 70, U.P., Diliman, Quezon City

May 15, 1987

Dr. W.J. Peacock Chairman, IBPGR Chief, Division of Plant Industry CSIRO, GPO Box 2600 Canberra ACT 2601, AUSTRALIA

Dear Dr. Peacock:

I was surprised to know that IBPGR is closing the regional office in Bangkok. We have been the recipient of IBPGR's funding of the sugarcane germplasm exploration in the Philippines. For this we are grateful and proud to consider our genebank as having one of the best collections in the world. We have very appropriately started our noblization program and is expected to contribute tremendous improvement in our breeding program. Other genebanks worldwide stand to profit that our collection. We have sent duplicates to Dr. Krishnamurthi in Fijl and the world collection at Beltsville, Maryland, USA and we cannot be too selfish as to provide other stations upon request.

As current member of the Working Committee for sugarcane I came to deeply understand the significant relevance/importance of the germplasm activities in this part of the world. Dr. Narong Chomchalow has been very responsive and energetic to steer the Southeast Asia Regional Programme. The many occasions that he has discussed with us the brighter prospects of germplasm contribution to mankind has prodded those involved to do more for the programme.

With the strategic location of the Regional office in Bangkok, the moble objectives of the programme and the untiring dedication imputed by its present officialdom, there will be no logic closing down the office in Bangkok or transferring it somewhere else. Many breeder scisntists

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in the Philippines have developed very strong attachment to the programme and certainly would feel dejected with its absence from the region.

I pray for the reconsideration of the decision. My best wishes and warm personal regards.

Very truly yours,

RODOLFO E. MEDINA, Ph.D. Director, Research & Development

cc.: V1. Chairman, CGIAR, Washington, D.C.

- 2. Director General, FAO, Rome
- 3. Chairman, TAC, FAO, Rome
- 4. Director, IBPGR, FAO, Rome
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30 April 1987

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Board Secretary

From: N Murthi

Subject: IBPGR Budget Proposals for 1988

Last week Dr. Williams sent you copies of the IBPGR Budget 1987-88 revised for 1988. I now send herewith corrected Tables 1 (a) and 1 (b) which should replace those included in the above-mentioned document.

We regret the inconvenience.

With best regards.

April 15, 1987

To:

CGIAR Committee on the IBPGR

From:

Curtis Farrar

Subject: Additional items for the Meeting at Montpellier

- 1. You may have noted that the IBPGR has been removed from the Group's agenda for the Montpellier meeting. There seems to be a general feeling in the IBPGR and the FAO that further discussion now would be pointless. There is very little to discuss, since the agreement signed in February covers all of the important points at issue. The best means of encouraging the parties seems to be to leave them to work out the details in private.
- I suggest that when the committee meets at Montpellier, it approve a brief report transmitting the signed agreement to the Group, and indicating that it intends to keep an eye on the situation. In particular, the Committee should make an appraisal of progress early in 1988 by which time most of the major personnel actions now in train should have been completed, and the operating relationships fallen into place. An appraisal will be required at that time, since the agreement is for two years, so that a decision will need to be made fairly early in 1988 whether to continue or make some other arrangements from January 1989. The report would be circulated at Montpellier and could be discussed if the members find it necessary under "other business."
- 3. Mr. James Peacock's term on the board would normally come to an end at the end of this year, and a vacancy for chairman of the IBPGR would occur. The board's nominating committee has secured his agreement to continue for one more year, and has recommended, with the concurrence of the Deputy Director General of FAO, that his term be extended. There are two principal reasons for this suggestion: first, that Mr. Peacock having negotiated the agreement with the FAO on behalf of IBPGR is well placed to supervise its implementation; second, that with eight new members having joined in 1987, (out of twelve members—other than ex officio members) it would be well to postpone a change in the chairmanship until the new board members have somewhat greater experience of the organization.
- 4. Mr. Husain was persuaded by these arguments, and agreed to put the proposal to the committee with his support. Agreement by the committee and by the CGIAR is necessary, since it had been anticipated that Mr. Peacock would have been replaced by a new CGIAR nominee.

Attachment

#### Distribution

Messrs. Brady, Caudron, Husain, McWilliam, Muhammed, Wessels c.c. Bonte-Friedheim, Camus, Peacock, Williams, Zandstra

- 5. The present list of members of the IBPGR is attached for information. In addition to Mr. Peacock, Mr. Giacometti is scheduled to leave the board in December 1987. The relatively small representation of developing country members is a matter of concern which should be remedied as soon as possible.
- 6. The agenda for our meeting on May 19 would consist of two items:
  - a. Extension of Mr. Peacock's term.
  - b. Approval of report to the CGIAR.
- 7. We shall meet at five pm for not more than an hour, in Room A at the Congress Center, Frantel-Mairie.

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Mr. R. Tadvalkar, CGIAR

To:

The Chairman and all members of the Programme Committee

13 April 1987

From: () N. Murthi Anishetty Dick very Sloten Board Secretary

Subject:

Minutes of the Fifth Meeting of the Programme Committee 23-24 February 1987, Rome

I have pleasure in sending you herewith the Minutes of the above meeting.

These have been cleared by Dr. W.J. Peacock, Chairman, IBPGR.

# INTERNATIONAL BOARD FOR PLANT GENETIC RESOURCES

Fifth Meeting of the Programme Committee 23-24 February 1987

#### MINUTES

- 1. The following members attended the fifth meeting of the Programme Committee: Drs. C.J. Bishop, L. Brader, G. Fischbeck, J.H.W. Holden, Q. Jones, W.J. Peacock, J.T. Williams (Director) and Mr. R.H. Demuth (Emeritus Chairman). Dr. N. Murthi Anishetty (Board Secretary) minuted the meeting. Dr. E. Paterniani (TAC Member), Mr. R. Tadvalkar (CGIAR Secretariat) also participated and donor representatives, Messrs. R. Bertram (USAID) and J.T. Sykes (CIDA) attended as observers. In addition, the following staff attended parts of the meeting: Mr. D.H. van Sloten (Head, Field Programme), Dr. K.L. Tao, Mr. P-M. Perret, Mr. J. Konopka, Dr. C.G.D. Chapman and Mrs. G. Gorelli. Prof. G. Fischbeck acted as Chairman.
- 2. The Provisional Agenda was adopted with the addition of item 2.4 -Staffing Structure of the Field Programme (see Appendix I).

#### Minutes of the Fourth Meeting

3. The Minutes of the fourth meeting were approved without any amendments.

#### Placement of Contracts

- 4. The Director informed the members that he had approached the laboratories suggested at the last meeting to undertake research work on cryopreservation of <u>in vitro</u> cultures but to date no formal proposals have been forthcoming. He intended to continue to persuade some laboratories to initiate work.
- 5. With regard to contracts on genetic stability associated with seeds, the Director indicated that Ohio State University might be willing to start a research project and the staff are currently finalizing the details.
- 6. The Director informed the Committee that recent biochemical research on membrane damage in in vitro cultures and important advances in this area from cancer research and microbial research in relation to the release of volatiles and free radical scavenging suggested parallels with probable loss of viability in seeds. The members expressed their interest in such developments and suggested to the Director that he should prepare a thorough status report and thereafter initiate applicable research in the event that non-destructive viability testing is feasible.

#### Crop Status Reports

- 7. The staff tabled summary crop status reports on major cereals, food legumes, oil crops, fibre crops, sugar crops and vegetables including details of base and active collections, numbers of samples, estimates of comprehensiveness and safety. The members expressed their satisfaction with the reports although these are preliminary. It was agreed that they should be updated by requesting more exact data and in consultation with members of the crop committees and/or working groups. With careful modifications these should be considered at a later date for issuance to a wide audience as a data book.
- 8. The members noted that, in general very little is known about many of the collections and the Board must continue its efforts to inform itself on the condition of germplasm in store, as a first step in the raising of standards.

#### Core Collections

- 9. Dr. Chapman reported on his first attempts to expand on the core collection concept. He reiterated that core collections offer a way to restructure large collections, improve the efficiency of their management and the ease of access by breeders. The core as a subset of the collection, should represent genetic diversity of the whole with the minimum of duplication. Work, particularly evaluation, could then be concentrated on the core. The remainder of the collection would form a reserve, available for use if necessary and the composition of cores would change from time to time.
- 10. The question of the selection of a core was discussed. By comparison to a null approach, i.e. choice of accessions at random, a systematic make-up of a core should result in a subset that is genetically more diverse than the random selection. One approach to this is would be to group materials on geographic or genetic (genomic) grounds and then represent each grouping more or less equally in the core.
- 11. Dr. Chapman had tested the above concept using a number of data sets available largely from published papers. Grouping material on taxonomic grounds (largely species or subspecies) consistently resulted in cores more diverse than random selections. Grouping material on geographic grounds however, was no better than random overall. The reasons for the failure of geographic groupings were the subject of much discussion but seemed to relate to the use of political boundaries and the lack of ecological zone information. Dr. Chapman was asked to continue these investigations, using data bases of specific genebanks and obtaining additional data where necessary, e.g. from atlases, data bases etc.

#### Field Programme: Staffing Structure

12. Mr. van Sloten informed the Committee that action on recruitment of staff is proceeding as planned but with some delays. However, he expressed the hope that by mid-1987 most staff should be in post. He also listed the staff of the reorganized Field Programme as follows:

Head - Mr. D.H. van Sloten

Documentation - Mr. J. Konopka

Collecting - Recruitment to be initiated

Training - Dr. W.G. Ayad (currently in Cyprus as Field

Officer and will be transferred to

Headquarters as of 1 April 1987)

Field Officers

Asia - Dr. N. Murthi Anishetty (to be transferred

from Headquarters as soon as the location has been finalized); Dr. N. Chomchalow, Field Officer for Southeast Asia terminates on 31

March 1987

Latin America - Dr. M. Holle, CIAT, Calí, Colombia

Sahel - Ms. J. Toll, ICRISAT Sahel Centre, Niamey,

Niger, a new post as from 1.2.87

East & Southern

Africa - Mr. A.F Attere, ILRAD, Nairobi, Kenya

Southwest Asia, - Post transferred to Headquarters and

North Africa &

Europe

recruitment to be initiated

China - Postponed and further discussions will be held

in 1988

Europe

(Special Project) - Mr. P.M. Perret in Headquarters

Collectors

Sweet potato - Dr. de la Puente at CIP, Lima, Peru

Meso America - Dr. Salazar, CATIE, Costa Rica

North Africa - Dr. L. Guarino, Nicosia, Cyprus, from March

1987

Southern Africa - Dr. R. Mithen, National Herbarium, Harare,

Zimbabwe

Sahel - Ms. V. Watt, ICRISAT Sahelian Center, Niamey,

Niger. Recruitment in May 1987

- 13. The IBPGR follows a dual system of employment. Collectors are employed through the International Institute of Education, New York, (IIE) as are all interns. Headquarters staff and Field Officers are employed through FAO.
- 14. The Director recommended that, sometime in the future, the IBPGR Field Office in CIAT be shifted to CIMMYT in Mexico to concentrate on work in Mexico and the Central American region. The members were in complete agreement with this suggestion.

#### Wild Species

- 15. As agreed at the thirteenth Board meeting, an in-house review was held in Rome 8-11 December 1986 on the collection of wild relatives of crop plants. The meeting was structured around activities rather than species and the objective was to define general principles and to identify procedures applicable for the collection of representative samples of wild and weedy relatives.
- 16. Dr. Holden, had, at the request of the Director, acted as Chairman of the meeting and Dr. Jones had attended on behalf of the Programme Committee. Dr. Holden briefly outlined the various discussions and conclusions. There were many recommendations of which there were two categories; the first requiring the consideration and action of the Programme Committee and the second concerned matters of management on which the Director would consider appropriate action.
- 17. The Committee discussed in detail the major policy issues referred to it by the Review and noted the following:
  - (i) Collecting Manual: it is unnecessary to prepare a revised edition of this Manual;
  - (ii) the collection of wild relatives of crop plants is essentially a research activity and needs specialized expertise. The projects in this area are necessarily of longer duration than those for the collection of cultivated forms and will have to be coordinated within an eco-geographical strategy;
- (iii) to improve much needed expertise the research programme on wild species relatives will have to be structured in such a way that training of personnel at various levels is achieved. Individuals from such training could become specialist collectors. The development of a career structure was recommended in order to retain individuals of high calibre to the ultimate benefit of the IBPGR programme;
  - (iv) that consideration be given to ways of stimulating the involvement of researchers who deal with different but related species groups in order to widen the pool of scientific expertise available for contracted research;

- (v) with regard to ecogeographic studies it was recognized that much useful data exists, that it is widely dispersed in the scientific literature or in unpublished records and that an essential first step for each project would be the establishment of a species-group data base. On the completion of a project it was proposed that data base be maintained or converted to hard copy for library cataloguing;
- (vi) the novel <u>in vitro</u> collection techniques devised by experts need to be field tested and the IBPGR should encourage such testing to assess their relevance and effectiveness in relation to different crops and environments;
- (vii) that satellite imagery, aerial photography and other devices are potentially useful in surveying eco-geographical distribution of plant communities. However, such methods are expensive and their use should be kept under review.
- 18. Formal acceptance or rejection of the recommendations in the report did not take place. (This item needs to be clarified at the next meeting: Sec.)

# Long-range Plan and Budget for 1988 to 1993

- 19. A copy of the IBPGR Programme & Budget 1987-88 revised for 1988 was tabled for discussion and a recommendation made to the Board for approval. The Budget proposals also provided a table indicating the proposed scientist man-years and budget requirements for 1987 to 1993.
- 20. The Director informed the Committee that first ideas concerning the Board's longer-range plan, together with the above programme and budget needs to be submitted to TAC for review on 19 March 1987.
- 21. The Director was of the opinion that following the recommendations of the External Programme and Management Review the current strategy and planning report is out of date and there is a need to prepare a revised document.
- 22. The members suggested that in the Programme and Budget proposals there should be a clear balance between the Research Programme and budget proposals. There should be a balance between the Research Programme and Field activities. Mr. Tadvalkar, CGIAR Secretariat, informed members that financial constraints should not limit the programme's activities and growth and the proposals should also include special projects. If the Committee, or the Board wish to make any changes in the programme elements these should be clearly justified.
- 23. The Programme Committee agreed with the Director that the draft document on the long range plan and budget proposals could not be prepared quickly in view of the uncertainties and longer time needed to reach an agreement with FAO and concomitant delays in restructuring the IBPGR. The Committee suggested a delay in the submission of the long range plan to TAC. The Director was asked to formally write to TAC to postpone the discussions on IBPGR to its meeting in June 1987.

24. The Committee further suggested that the Board appoint a small committee (Drs. Fischbeck, Holden and Williams) to prepare a draft up-dated strategy and plan of action and that the draft be discussed at the sixth meeting of the Programme Committee, suitably modified and then circulated to Board Members for their comments and finally submitted to TAC. It was suggested that the document could also provide information or identify areas and activities which could be transferred to the FAO Commission on Plant Genetic Resources and other organizations.

#### Date and Place of Next Meeting

- 25. The dates and places of future meetings were agreed:
  - (i) 25-27 May 1987: Sixth Meeting in Rome with the major item of business to finalize the long-range plan and budget proposals.
  - (ii) the subsequent second meeting in 1987 could be organized, in November after the CGIAR International Centers Week in Washington, D.C.

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APPENDIX I

#### Restricted to Board Members

#### INTERNATIONAL BOARD FOR PLANT GENETIC RESOURCES

5th Meeting of the Programme Committee Rome, 23-24 February 1987

#### AGENDA

- 1. Approval of the Minutes of the 4th meeting
- 2. Matters arising from the 4th meeting
  - 2.1 Progress on placement of contracts for conservation projects
  - 2.2 Crop Status Reports
  - 2.3 Progress on the development of the core collection concept
  - 2.4 Staffing structure of the Field Programme
- 3. Report of the in-house review on the collection of wild species
- 4. Long-range plan and budget for 1988-92
- 5. Date and place of 6th meeting

# PROGRAMME COMMITTEE

# ACTION SHEET

	TOPIC	ACTION	STAFF	TIMING
1.	Placement of contracts			
	a. Cryopres- ervation of <u>in vitro</u> cultures	Continue persuading labora- tories to initiate research work	Drs.Williams & Tao	Progress Report to 6th meeting
	b. Genetic stability associated with seeds	Finalization of a project proposal with Ohio State University	Drs. Williams & Tao	Progress Report to 6th meeting
	c. non-des- tructive viability testing	Preparation of a status report on research in relation to the release of volatiles and free radicals scavenging and possible initiation of research work on non-destructive viability testing	Dr. Williams	Progress Report to 6th meeting
2.	Crop status reports	i) Updating of the reports in consultation with members of the crop committees and/or working groups, and also in consultation with genebank curators	Dr. Tao & Mr. Konopka	Final reports to 7th meeting
		<ul><li>ii) Publication of reports on Compendium after further discussions at the 15th meeting of the Board</li></ul>	Publications Officer	15th meeting of the Board
3.	Core collection	Continued research as test- ing of concepts using actual collections and placement	Dr. Chapman	Progress Reports to 6th & 7th meetings
4.	Staffing structure	Recruitment and placement of staff	Dr. Williams	Progress Report to 6th meeting
5.	Wild species	Approval of recommendations in report of the in-house review on the collection of wild relatives of crop plants	Mr. van Sloten	Matters arising from Minutes of 5th Meeting at the 6th meeting
6.	Long-range plan and budget	Preparation of a draft of Board's long-range plan and budget proposals	Sub-committee	Table draft at 6th meeting

# cc:



### Consultative Group on International Agricultural Research

# International Board for Plant Genetic Resources

**Executive Secretariat** Crop Genetic Resources Centre (AGPG) Plant Production and Protection Division Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations Via delle Terme di Caracalla 00100 Rome Italy Cables: Foodagri Rome Telex: 610181 FAO I Telephone: 57971

Dr. R. Tadvalkar, CGIAR

To:

The Chairman and all members

of the Executive Committee

13 April 1987

R. Murthi Anishetty Dick van Sleter Board Secretary

Subject:

Minutes of the 37th Meeting of the Executive Committee

24 February 1987, Rome

I have pleasure in sending you herewith the Minutes of the

above meeting.

These have been cleared by Dr. W.J. Peacock, Chairman, IBPGR.

#### INTERNATIONAL BOARD FOR PLANT GENETIC RESOURCES

37th Meeting of the Executive Committee Rome, 24 February 1987

#### MINUTES

1. The following members attended the thirty-seventh meeting of the Executive Committee: Drs. W.J. Peacock, (Chairman), L. Brader, G. Fischbeck and J.T. Williams (Director). Drs. C.J. Bishop, Q. Jones and J.H.W. Holden, and Mr. R.H. Demuth (Emeritus Chairman) also attended to provide continuity since eight new Board members would be attending the meeting of the Board for the first time. Dr. E. Paterniani (TAC Member) and R. Tadvalkar (CGIAR Secretariat) were present as observers and Messrs. R. Bertram (USAID) and J.T. Sykes (CIDA) represented the donors. Dr. N. Murthi Anishetty (Board Secretary) minuted the meeting. In addition, the following staff attended parts of the meeting, Mr. D.H. van Sloten, Dr. K-L. Tao, Dr. C.G.D. Chapman, Mr. P.M. Perret, Mr. J. Konopka and Mrs. C. Gorelli.

#### Minutes of the 36th Meeting

3. The minutes of the thirty-sixth meeting were approved with the following amendment to para. 29. The last line should read "together with a re-draft of the same documents prepared at the request of the Director, IBPGR by Mr. R.H. Demuth, Emeritus Chairman, were tabled". (Inserted "at the request of the Director, IBPGR").

#### FAO/IBPGR discussions

- 4. The Chairman briefly outlined the status of the discussions between FAO and the IBPGR which commenced at 0900 hours on 23 February. The IBPGR delegation included Mr. R.H. Demuth and Dr. J.W. Peacock and FAO was represented by Messrs. D. Walton (Deputy Director General), C.H. Bonte-Friedheim (Assistant Director General: AG Department) and L. Brader (Director, AGP). The primary aim of the discussions were, on behalf of the CGIAR, to finalize mutually agreeable arrangements to overcome the difficulties encountered by IBPGR and to see that the IBPGR operates as an autonomous entity under the umbrella of FAO.
- 5. Dr. Peacock informed the members of the position reached in the ongoing discussions as follows:
  - (i) Accommodation: FAO had offered alternative accommodation in one unit, which, while not fully adequate, was a generous improvement and satisfactory for the immediate future.
  - (ii) Staff promotions and changes had been agreed to, but not all of those requested.

- (iii) Staff appointments: Through the device of supporting IBPGR as a Field Programme, FAO agreed to the pre-selection of staff and to their grading by IBPGR.
  - (iv) Staff responsibilities: The dual responsibility of staff to both IBPGR and FAO remains a major problem which has yet to be resoloved to the Board's satisfaction.
    - (v) IBPGR had offered to take over the funding of the professional staff previously funded by FAO Regular Programme so that all professional staff would be employed on the same basis.
  - (vi) The results of the continuing discussions would be reported to the Board meeting 25-27 February.

#### Staff appointments

- Dr. Williams reported that an advertisement had been placed in Nature for the posts of Head of the Research Programme and Genetic Diversity Officer. Further, he had also written to numerous institutes (including IARCs) to solicit nominations for the above posts. He informed the members that the response had been positive and among the applications received he had made a first short list of six candidates for the post of Head, Research Programme.
- 7. The Committee agreed to establish a sub-committee for the screening, interviewing and selection of the Head, Research Programme to fulfil the Board's role in appointing the senior management staff. The meeting agreed to recommend to the Board to establish a sub-committee with the following membership. Drs. J.H.W. Holden (Chairman), G. Fischbeck, L. Brader and D.J. Marshall. Dr. J.T. Williams will act as an adviser. The Director, was asked to circulate the curricula vitae of the applicants to the members of the proposed sub-committee and to provide data on all the applicants to the Chairman.
- 8. Concerning other staff posts the Director informed the Committee that action had been initiated on several vacant posts in 1986 but there have been delays by FAO in recruitment. It is envisaged that posts will be filled in two phases during 1987.
- 9. The Committee stressed that the full complement of staff should be in place during 1987.

#### Reports of the Programme Committee

- 10. Dr. Fischbeck, who had chaired the meeting of the Programme Committee 23-24 February, summarized the discussions. These included:
  - (i) placement of contracts for (a) research work on cryopreservation of <u>in</u> <u>vitro</u> cultures and (b) genetic stability associated with seeds in storage;

- (ii) crop status reports;
- (iii) development of the core collection concept;
- (iv) staffing structure for the Field Programme;
- (v) in-house review on collecting wild species; and
- (vi) long-range plan and budget proposals (1988-1993).

The Committee commented in particular on the crop status reports and agreed that these should be refined.

#### Financial Matters

- 11. The Director informed the Committee that the CGIAR had approved a budget of US\$5.1 million for 1987 and that IBPGR is the only centre to receive 100% of the TAC-recommended budget. Concerning the pledges for 1987 he firmly believed that traditional donors would continue to support IBPGR and a number of donors have increased their pledges which indicate donor confidence.
- 12. The Chairman indicated that he would write to all IBPGR donors, first to thank them for their continued support to IBPGR and second, to request them to endeavour to increase their contributions to the IBPGR Programme. The Director was asked to prepare flow charts to show the trends in contributions of the various donors over the past five years which could be attached to the Chairman's letter to donors.
- 13. Dr. Williams informed the Committee that immediately following the 36th meeting of the Executive Committee he had established a Working Capital Fund (WCF) and this is held in FAO as a sub Trust Fund. Like all IBPGR funds held by FAO the Working Capital Fund will be free of service charge but this Fund may not earn any interest. The Committee asked the Director to ensure that the WCF would attract interest if it were possible within FAO, and that he should transfer the funds to a commercial bank to seek market rates of interest.

#### Gene Patenting

- 14. The Chairman informed members that in the recent past several meetings and conferences had held discussions on gene patenting, plant variety rights, life form patenting or other rights and that the Board needs to keep abreast of such developments.
- 15. Since all such developments are tied to the ownership of germplasm the Committee suggested that the Board may convene a small working group meeting consisting of specialists on patent rights: to discuss such matters and thereafter the IBPGR might consider its position. The Director was asked to obtain background information in this area.

#### TAC Committee on Genetic Resources

- 16. Dr. Williams tabled a report of a TAC/Center Directors <u>ad hoc</u> Working Group on Plant Genetic Resources in the CGIAR. The <u>ad hoc</u> Working Group which met in Rome on 17 February 1987 basically revised a TAC document and made a number recommendations. The most significant of these was the establishment of an Inter-Center Working Group on Genetic Resources, wherein all 10 CGIAR Centers working on plant genetic resources, namely, CIAT, CIMMYT, CIP, IBPGR, ICARDA, ICRISAT, IITA, ILCA, IRRI and WARDA will be involved
- 17. The <u>ad hoc</u> Working Group provided terms of reference for the proposed Inter-Center Working Group and the first meeting might be held in early June 1987 at IRRI or CIMMYT. In view of this development the Inter-Center Seminar planned for September 1987 is likely to be postponed to a later date.

#### Perquisites of the Board Members

- 18. The Committee agreed to recommend to the Board that the perquisites for Board members need to be revised in line with that of CGIAR-TAC members since the previous revision was effected in May 1983.
- 19. The Committee will recommend to the Board revised roles (the same as TAC) as follows:
  - (i) \$150 per day as living expenses both for the days spent on meetings and for travel days.
  - (ii) \$250 per day as honorarium payable only for the days of the meetings and/or days spent on Board business but not for travel.

#### Officers and Committees of the Board

20. In view of the major changes in Board membership the Committee agreed to suggest to the Board the following compsoition for the various Officers and Board Committees.

(i) Vice-Chairman H.E. Dr. A. Papasolomontos

(ii) Executive Committee: Dr. W.J. Peacock (Chairman)

H.E. Dr. A. Papasolomontos (Vice-Chairman)

Prof. G. Fischbeck Dr. V.L. Chopra Dr. C.F. Murphy

Prof. J.T. Williams (Director)

Dr. L. Brader (FAO)

(iii) Programme Committee Prof. G. Fischbeck (Chairman)

Dr. V.L. Chopra
Prof. D. Marshall
Dr. J.H.W. Holden
Dr. Y. Cauderon

Dr. W.J. Peacock (ex-officio)
Prof. J.T. Williams (ex-officio)

(iv) Nominations Committee: Prof. W. Tossell (Chairman)

Prof. G. Fischbeck Prof. F. Kikuchi Dr. R. Valmayor

21. The Committee further suggested that as soon as possible the post of Board Secretary should no longer be a full-time position but that the Head, Research Programme should serve as Secretary to the Programme Committee and the Head, Field Programme to serve as Secretary to the Board and Executive Committee. Until the Head of the Research Programme is in post the Head, Field Programme will act for the Programme Committee.

#### Any other business

- 22. The Chairman informed members of his recent visit to New Zealand and said the forage programme in that country is of high standard including germplasm collections. He suggested that these collections should be considered for designation as base collections.
- 23. The Chairman also informed that he had received correspondence from Dr. R.E. Smart of the Ministry of Agriculture & Fisheries of New Zealand, expressing his concern for the geographical distribution of genebanks/base collections in relation to the risk of nuclear war. The Committee appreciate the concern of Dr. Smart and the Board will take such factors into consideration in duplication of base collections in both northern and southern hemispheres.

#### Date and Place of next Meeting

24. The Committee agreed that it would meet in conjunction with International Centers Week in Washington, D.C. in November 1987. Although the actual dates will be finalized at a later date it is likely to be during in the week 2-6 November.

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- 5. Gene Patenting
- 6. Report on CGIAR Matters
  - TAC Subcommittee on Genetic Resources

    Inter-center Seminar on Genetic Resources
    (September 1987 at IRRI, Los Baños,
    Philippines)
- 7. Register of genebanks
- 8. Any other Business

## 37th EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

## ACTION SHEET

TOPIC		ACTION	STAFF	TIMING
1.	FAO/IBPGR discussions	Implementation of the Letter of Agreement	Dr. Williams	Report to 38th meeting
2.	Staff appoint- ments	Recruitment & placement of staff	Dr. Williams	Report to 6th meeting of the P.C.
3.	Donor pledges & contributions	Chairman to write to donors	Dr. Williams	ASAP
4.	Gene patenting	Preparation of a back- ground on the topic & distribution to Board members prior to convening a working group	Dr. Williams	Report to 7th meeting of the P.C.
5.	: Geographical dis- tribution of genebanks	Chairman to write to Dr. R.E. Smart		

 $<sup>\</sup>underline{1}$ / Dr. Peacock to write to donors regarding their pledges

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  - 6.2 Inter-center Seminar on Genetic Resources (September 1987 at IRRI, Los Baños, Philippines)
- 7. Register of genebanks
- 8. Any other Business
  - 8.1 Perquisites for Board members
  - 8.2 Membership of Board Committees
- 9. Date and Place of 38th meeting

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#### INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT RESEARCH CENTRE

## CENTRE DE RECHERCHES POUR LE DÉVELOPPEMENT INTERNATIONAL

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April 2, 1987

Mr. Curtis Farrar Executive Secretary CGIAR 1818 H Street N.W. Washington, D.C. 20433 U.S.A.

Dear Mr. Farrar:

Thank you for sending us the recent IBPGR/FAO agreement.

Hubert Zandstra will be present on May 19, in Montpellier and looks forward to meeting with the sub-committee on the IBPGR at that time.

Sincerely yours,

Joanne Cardin Director's office Agriculture, Food and

Nutrition Sciences.

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March 12, 1987

Mr. Declan J. Walton Food & Agriculture Organization of the United Nations Via delle Terme di Caracalla 00100 Rome Italy

Dear Mr. Walton:

I was delighted to receive your letter of February 27, with a copy of the agreement between the FAO and the IBPGR. It will be a real pleasure for me to bring it to the attention of the CGIAR at our meeting in Montpellier in May.

As you say, the time when we must think about action to follow the two year term of the agreement is not far off. Let us hope that implementation in 1987 will provide a basis for continuing.

I should like to express my thanks to you and your colleagues in the FAO for having found a way through a situation which I know has not been easy.

With very best regards,

Sincerely Yours,

S. Shahid Husain Chairman

CFarrar/ms/CF51/G12

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March 12, 1987

To:

CGIAR Committee on the IBPGR

From:

Curtis Farrar

Subject: IBPGR/FAO agreement

I am sending herewith a copy of an agreement signed on February 27, 1987 by Jim Peacock as chairman of the IBPGR trustees, and Declan Walton, Deputy Director General, on behalf of the FAO, which will govern relationships between the two for a period through the end of 1988.

This agreement appears to deal with all of the major substantive issues relating to constraints on IBPGR management which have concerned the Group, and was signed in an atmosphere of good understanding which creates a favorable context for implementation.

One implication is an increase in the annual budget of the IBPGR of approximately \$215,000 per year, resulting from the transfer of three professional positions from the FAO. This seems acceptable, and is much less than the additional costs being contemplated earlier.

I suggest that the committee hold a short meeting on the afternoon of May 19 at Montpellier, with participation from the FAO and the IBPGR. The agenda would be to review the situation, discuss particularly what steps should be planned for judging the success of the arrangement prior to its expiry, and prepare a brief report to the Group, transmitting the agreement. We will advise of the exact time and place of the meeting later on.

Please let me know as soon as you can whether you agree to the course of action, and will be able to participate in the meeting.

Attachment

#### Distribution

Messrs. Bonte-Friedheim, Brady, Camus, Caudron, Husain, Kahre, McWilliam, Muhammed, Wessels, Williams, Zandstra

blind copies for Forget, please, and for Humphries with following note.

#### MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

#### Arrangements for the Administration of the IBPGR

This Memorandum summarizes the agreement on steps to tackle outstanding administrative problems reached between the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) and the International Board for Plant Genetic Resources (IBPGR), in the course of exchanges of correspondence and discussions, and in particular during meetings in Rome between 23 and 26 February 1987.

The problems which have been encountered arise essentially from the difficulty of reconciling, on the one hand, the character of the IBPGR as an autonomous entity within the CGIAR system, and on the other hand, the constraints imposed by the fact that its staff are all FAO staff members, subject to the FAO Staff Regulations and Rules, and ultimately responsible to the Director-General. Substantial progress has been made in overcoming specific problems during the last few months. In particular, FAO has managed - despite its own problems of office space - to make available expanded accommodation for the IBPGR, thus enabling action to proceed on the recruitment of the additional staff authorized by the Board. Furthermore, FAO has agreed to apply to IBPGR-funded staff the more flexible procedures which govern the administration of extra-budgetary projects.

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27 February 1987

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Curt Farrar CGIAR

FROM:

J. Edward Schuh AGRDR

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SUBJECT:

Attached, from IBPGR

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IN REPLY PLEASE QUOTE OUR REFERENCE AND DATE OF THIS LETTER TO AVOID A DELAY IN DELIVERY OF YOUR RESPONSE

Dear Sir,

The International Board for Plant Genetic Resources is delighted to learn from the CGIAR Secretariat that your Government is expected to pledge a contribution to the IBPGR in 1987. Your Government's continued interest and financial support is very much appreciated by the IBPGR.

Funds should be transferred to the "FAO/UN General Dollar Account" with the Banca Commerciale Italiana, FAO Branch, Via delle Terme di Caracalla, Rome, indicating that the contribution is for Trust Fund 9150.

The Board will be holding its 14th Plenary Meeting on 25 - 27 February, 1987 at FAO headquarters, Rome. It is the policy of the Board to ask donors to IBPGR whether they wish to send an observer to the meeting, at the donor's expense. It is understood that any observer would be knowlegeable in the field of genetic resources. I attach a provisional agenda for the Board Meeting.

If you propose to send an observer please let me know the person's name and address.

Yours faithfully,

Director

Dr. G.Edward Schuh
Director
Agriculture and Rural
Development Department
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From: IBPGR (CGI101) Posted: Wed 25-Feb-87 4:20 EST Sys 57 (24)

Subject: Meetings

To: D. Winkelmann, DG cc. C. Farrar

From: J.T. Williams
Re. Committee Meetings

Don: IBPGR's Programme Committee and Executive Committee have just revision Revwed the Field Programme staffing structure. To the present our Field Officer for Latin America, supported by a Collector currently located at CATIE and another at CIP is headquartered at CIAT. This has been a fine and useful arrangement. Nonetheless the IBPGR Board wishes to see that IBPGR efforts are re-oriented to put higher emphasis on Mexico and Meso America. This means moving our regional office and they have asked me to explore the willingness of CIMMYT to host an IBPGR staff member who would thereby be exposed to the peer scientific environment of an International Center.

In essence we pay salary, costs of local secretary, any costs CIMMYT would incur such as telephone, cables etc. and a staff vehicle. It requires minimum office space. Would CIMMYT be favourable to this? We expect our person (not the current incumbent at CIAT who is returning to Peru) to set up base around September 1987.

Look forward to your reply. Best personal regards.

Trevor Williams
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FROM THE DESK OF
Richard H. Demuth

3/2/87

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Per our telephone

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The Deputy Director-General

24 February 1987

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In particular, I was pleased to note from our conversations that there are no disagreements on substance between the two sides. Indeed, the issues relate exclusively to the administration and management of the IBPGR staff.

We are all, I think, agreed that the most desirable solution would be the maintenance of an arrangement similar to that which now prevails, with the IBPGR continuing to carry out its activities within the framework of FAO. This would be the least costly solution for the taxpayer, and also the most effective arrangement for ensuring coordination and complementarity between the work programmes of the Board and FAO.

The alternative would appear to involve a physical separation between FAO and the IBPGR. Before this is seriously contemplated, I believe we should both look at the advantages (as well as the constraints) inherent in the present system.

So far as FAO is concerned, we have been very happy with the close association between the FAO and IBPGR programmes in the area of plant genetic resources. Indeed, we have drawn virtually no distinction over the years between what the Board did and what we did: in most cases, projects were ascribed to the IBPGR even if there was an FAO input. Rather than programmes in the plural, there has been a single programme for plant genetic resources.

Dr. James Peacock Chairman Board of Trustees IBPGR Rome From the IBPGR point of view, you have free accommodation from FAO, and all services in the administrative and financial field. In addition the Secretariat of the Board, being FAO staff members, benefit from the full range of privileges and immunities available for officials of the UN specialized agencies, and from those accorded by the Italian Government under the FAO Headquarters Agreement. They are members of the UN Pension Fund. They can be freely transferred to and from FAO. The field activities of the IBPGR are covered by the agreements reached by FAO with individual countries.

Under the aegis of the senior Review Committee established to look into the specific problems of the IBPGR, we have made substantial progress in meeting your requirements. The difficulty of office space has, I believe, been resolved. Most, though not all, of the Board's requests for personnel action have been satisfied.

Greater flexibility in terms of FAO's internal procedures has become possible following the decision to handle IBPGR-funded activities (including staff matters) on the same basis as a field project. We cannot apply these same procedures to staff financed under the FAO Regular Programme, but I welcome your suggestion that the IBPGR might be able to take over the funding of the Regular Programme posts concerned. If this is confirmed, it would release an equivalent amount of resources for our Regular Programme, to be devoted to building up our activities in the general field of plant genetic resources, and would place all staff members of the IBPGR on the same footing.

There is, of course, a price to be paid for the facilities provided by FAO to the Board. The price consists in the fact that, being FAO staff, the members of the IBPGR Secretariat are administratively responsible to the Director-General. This is not merely a constitutional matter, it is also an issue of considerable practical importance. All staff of the Organization are administered under the FAO Staff Regulations and Staff Rules, any breach of which can lead to an appeal by the staff member concerned. To such an appeal it is the Director-General of FAO who is obliged to respond, and it is the Organization which must pay damages in case an indemnity is awarded.

It is therefore not possible for FAO to hand over total responsibility for the administration of the IBPGR staff to the IBPGR Board of Trustees.

We could, however, envisage the following arrangements, at least on a transitional basis.

The programme of work of the Secretariat would continue as at present to be defined by the Board.

The Board (or its Chairman) would make recommendations to FAO regarding the recruitment, promotion and assignment of staff members funded by the IBPGR. FAO for its part would normally accept these recommendations provided they were compatible with the Staff Regulations and Rules. In order to handle the inter-action between IBPGR and FAO in this area, I suggest that a Joint FAO/IBPGR Administration Committee be instituted. This would consist of one or two members of the Board representing the IBPGR, and the Assistant Director-General, Agriculture Department and/or the Director, Plant Production and Protection Division representing FAO. The Executive Secretary of the IBPGR would normally attend the meetings. These would be held as often as necessary, and possibly several times a year. If agreement on a particular problem could not be reached in the Joint Committee, it would be referred to the Director-General, who would take the final decision.

These arrangements could be given a trial period of (say) a year. If, in the course of the next twelve months, it appears that they are not satisfactory, then I believe there will be no alternative to a start being made on the physical separation between FAO and IBPGR. In this case, FAO will certainly do all it can to help the Board in finding a satisfactory alternative solution, including the development of new arrangements to maintain the close cooperation and complementarity of action that exists at present.

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Dear Mr. Walton,

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Let me say at the outset that I appreciate greatly the frank and generous spirit in which our discussions have been conducted and that I fully share your view that IBPGR should, if possible, retain its headquarters at the headquarters of FAO and that it should continue to operate its programme in close cooperation with, and with the administrative While I am in general agreement with your letter, I do support of, FAO. have some reservations about portions of it which I set forth below. My reservations, as you will see, are not major in nature. However, I would like to be in a position to recommend to my Board of Trustees, and to the CGIAR, an agreement with FAO which I support wholeheartedly and without reservation. To this end, I would request you to consider writing me a second letter, embodying the revisions suggested below, which I could then respond to on behalf of IBPGR by simply stating my full agreement with your I would also state that in my opinion the proposals meet all the points raised by Mr. Husain in his letter to the Director General in February 1986.

1. My first reservation is, I believe, purely semantic. I believe the expression in the third paragraph on page 1 of your letter that IBPGR would carry out its activities "within the framework" of FAO is apt to be misinterpreted as suggesting that IBPGR is organizationally part of FAO. I believe a different phrase, which was used during our discussions, namely "with the administrative support of FAO", would be less contentious and more compatible with IBPGR's status as an autonomous entity operating under

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Mr. Declan J. Walton
Deputy Director-General
FAO
Rome



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the auspices of the CGIAR. We would also have no objection to use of the phrase "under the umbrella of FAO", a phrase used by a number of CGIAR donors to describe the relationship which they hoped would be developed between us.

- 2. A more important point relates to the final paragraph on page 2 of your letter. I would hope you could expand that paragraph to include a recognition by FAO that the IBPGR is an autonomous entity with full authority over its substantive activities and its funds subject only to such control as the CGIAR may wish to exercise and the administrative constraints imposed by the FAO Staff Regulations and Staff Rules to which we recognize our staff must conform as FAO employees.
- 3. Another important point relates to the staff matters covered by the first paragraph on page 3 of your letter. First, we would suggest that this paragraph be expanded to state that all IBPGR staff will work fulltime for the IBPGR. They will be responsible to their Director, who in turn has line responsibility only to the IBPGR Board of Trustees. will no longer be any dual responsibility but we recognize that IBPGR will be administered as a field project of FAO. Second, if you agree, we would suggest that provision be made for all IBPGR staff to be given fixed-term FAO contracts extending at least to December 31, 1988 except where a shorter period is requested by the Board. Third, we believe a statement should be included that the size of the IBPGR staff will be determined by the Board of Trustees and that the salaries of the staff will also be determined by the Board or the Director, provided, as stated in your letter, that "they were compatible with the Staff Rules and Regulations". Finally, with regard to the proposal for a joint FAO/IBPGR Administration Committee, a proposal which I welcome, we believe that the provision in your letter that, if agreement on a particular problem cannot be reached by the Joint Committee it will be referred to the FAO Director General for final decision, is unnecessary, since we have both agreed that such instances are very unlikely to occur and would not be likely to be of such importance as to require the attention of the Director General. Moreover, the sentence may well irritate sensibilities since it may be interpreted (although I know it is not so intended) as an indirect way for FAO to achieve control over IBPGR. If you find it difficult to delete the sentence entirely, I suggest it be reworded to state that, if the Committee cannot resolve a particular administrative problem, the matter will be referred for discussion to the Director General and the Chairman of the CGIAR, it being understood that, if agreement on the administrative problem is still unattainable, final decision rests with the Director General.



- 4. I believe it would be desirable for your letter to include a separate paragraph accepting the IBPGR's offer to reimburse FAO from the IBPGR Trust Fund for the IBPGR professional staff whose salaries are now funded by FAO.
- 5. We request that the trial period for the new arrangements become effective immediately and extend to December 31, 1988. This will give needed stability to the staff and is in accordance with the wishes of the CGIAR.

I would not wish to end this letter without expressing my appreciation for your agreement to promote the IBPGR Director and to consider sympathetically proposals by the IBPGR to increase the salaries of meritorious employees who, for one reason or another, may not be eligible for grade promotion.

I hope that you will find the foregoing suggestions useful and acceptable.

Yours sincerely

W. James Peacock

Chairman

IBPGR Board of Trustees

#### MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

#### Arrangements for the Administration of the IBPGR

This Memorandum summarizes the agreement on steps to tackle outstanding administrative problems reached between the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) and the International Board for Plant Genetic Resources (IBPGR), in the course of exchanges of correspondence and discussions, and in particular during meetings in Rome between 23 and 26 February 1987.

The problems which have been encountered arise essentially from the difficulty of reconciling, on the one hand, the character of the IBPGR as an autonomous entity within the CGIAR system, and on the other hand, the constraints imposed by the fact that its staff are all FAO staff members, subject to the FAO Staff Regulations and Rules, and ultimately responsible to the Director-General. Substantial progress has been made in overcoming specific problems during the last few months. In particular, FAO has managed – despite its own problems of office space – to make available expanded accommodation for the IBPGR, thus enabling action to proceed on the recruitment of the additional staff authorized by the Board. Furthermore, FAO has agreed to apply to IBPGR-funded staff the more flexible procedures which govern the administration of extra-budgetary projects.

Nevertheless, a number of difficulties still remain, and the following additional understandings have been reached.

The IBPGR has offered to take over the funding of the three professional posts in its staff which are at present financed under the FAO Regular Programme. This offer has been accepted by FAO. All IBPGR professional staff will thus be on the same footing.

It is understood and agreed on both sides that the work programme of the IBPGR staff, on which they will all be engaged full time, is that defined by the Board. The Director of the IBPGR will be responsible to the Board for the implementation of this programme.

Administratively, the IBPGR Secretariat is appointed by FAO and is subject to the internal discipline and rules applying to FAO staff. The Director of the IBPGR Secretariat reports on administrative matters to the Director of the FAO Plant Production and Protection Division.

Decisions on the recruitment and promotion of IBPGR staff, and on any other significant administrative issues, will be worked out jointly between FAO and the IBPGR. For this purpose, FAO will normally be represented by the Assistant Director-General, Agriculture Department, and/or the Director, Plant Production and Protection Division. The IBPGR will normally be represented by the Chairman and/or a member of the Board, together with the Director of the IBPGR staff. FAO will make every effort compatible with its internal rules and regulations to meet the requirements of the Board. IBPGR recommendations regarding levels of remuneration will be translated, as necessary, into FAO grade levels, taking account of the various allowances provided by FAO and other agencies of the United Nations common system. It is understood that, because of the need to preserve equity towards its staff as a whole, FAO has only limited discretion in fixing grade levels.

While FAO does not propose any formal limitation on the number of IBPGR staff covered by these arrangements, the Organization expects to have continuing problems of space for some years to come. Should the Board wish to consider a further major expansion of staff in Rome, the problem of accommodation should be discussed at an early stage.

The steps which are set out above are intended to reinforce the already close cooperation between the IBPGR and FAO on substantive activities in the field of plant genetic resources. The Director of the IBPGR will keep the Director of the FAO Plant Production and Protection Division closely informed in all phases of preparation and implementation of the work programme of the Board. Conversely, FAO will consult the Chairman and/or Director of the IBPGR closely insofar as FAO develops its own programme in this field. The objective of both parties will be to ensure full complementarity of action for the benefit of all countries, and in particular the developing nations.

The above arrangements are established on a trial basis from now to the end of 1988. IBPGR staff will be given fixed-term contracts up to 31 December 1988 unless a shorter period is requested by the Board, or unless their contracts already extend beyond that date. In order to ensure continuity a decision should be taken early in 1988 as to whether it is the mutual desire of the two parties to maintain the present relationship between FAO and the IBPGR, as supplemented by this agreement, or to seek an alternative solution.

(sgd) DECLAN J. WALTON

Declan J. Walton
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Food & Agriculture Organization
of the United Nations

James Peacock
Chairman, Board of Trustees
International Board for

Plant Genetic Resources

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To: C.FARRAR (CGI005)

From: IBPGR (CGI101) Posted: Tue 24-Feb-87 3:38 EST Sys 57 (10)

Subject: IBPGR

To: Curtis Farrar, CGIAR

From. J.T. Williams

Re. IBPGR

Dick Demuth and I join in informing you that Jim Peacock, new Chairman of IBPGR, has exercised to quote a recent CGIAR phrase "diplomatic adroitness". Too early to provide any feed-back. Discussions continuing this week. Is Shahid in town if ANYONE needs to discuss. Please reply asap. Greetings. Trevor

AGP PR 3/11 IBPGR General

MAIL IBPGR ar su Urgent message for Dr. Williams

To: Dr. Trevor Williams, IBPGR

From: Curtis Farrar, CGR Date: February 24, 1987

Delighted with news and look forward to specifics whenever available. Shahid

will be in Washington from February 25. Regards Curt

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February 20, 1987

Dr. J. Trevor Williams
Director, IBPGR
Food and Agriculture Organization
of the United Nations
Via delle Terme di Caracalla
Rome 00100, Italy

Dear Trevor:

Further to my letter of February 19, I am writing with regard to the 1987 inflation rate IBPGR has proposed in its 1987 funding requirements request to donors.

In view of the fact that inflation rates have lowered during 1985 and 1986 it would be useful for the system to reflect this change in its planning assumptions. The secretariat recommends that IBPGR adjust its 1987 inflation rate downwards to take into account a reduction in the OECD inflation rate which centers are applying for their US\$ expenditures, from 5% to 2.5%, and a comparable appropriate reduction in the inflation rate related to local expenditures. IBPGR's proposed 1987 inflation rate and the secretariat's recommended rate are shown in the attachment.

Centers' acceptance of the inflation rates recommended by the secretariat would translate in a systemwide full funding of the budgeted program levels. It would result in the full funding of all centers' programs, with one exception. Centers' acceptance of the proposed rates would not result in a downwards revision of the 1987 level of core funding which the secretariat guaranteed in its funding letter of February 19. We are proposing to maintain the level of 1987 core funding or to increase that level, where necessary, to bring all centers (except one) to the full funding level.

In IBPGR's case, the acceptance of the secretariat's proposed inflation rates by all centers would result in maintaining 1987 estimated core funding at \$5.1 million.

The impact of the adoption of the proposed inflation rates by all centers would be a reduction of the stabilization claims to be processed in November. Some centers would also share in 1987 exchange gains up to the point that their programs are fully funded.

I would appreciate receiving as soon as possible your reactions to our proposal. I will subsequently be in touch with you to inform you of the outcome.

With best regards,

Curtis Farrar

Sincerely yours,

Executive Secretary

## Comparative Price Increases by Center

	1984 Actual	1985 Actual	1986 Estimate	1987 Estimate
CIAT CIMMYT CIP IBPGR ICARDA ICRISAT IFPRI IITA ILCA ILCA ILRAD IRRI ISNAR WARDA	4% 9% 7% 7% 4% 8% 8% 6% 5% 5%	42 63 72 72 48 88 10 88 10 88 57	4% 5% 17% 7% 9% 4% 8% 10% 6% 17% 5%	47 77 57 77 37 47 57 87 107 67 67 57
Total	6.5%	5.8%	5.6%	5.8%

## Composition of 1987 Inflation Rates Proposed by Centers

	Expenditures	Composition	Infla	tion	Total
Center	Local	US\$	Local	US\$	Inflation
CIAT CIMMYT CIP IBPGR ICARDA ICRISAT IFPRI IITA ILCA ILRAD IRRI ISNAR WARDA	61% 50% 33% 75% 39% 63% 10% 66% 57% 60% 48%	39% 50% 67% 25% 61% 37% 90% 34% 43% 40% 52% 40%	3.4% 9.0% 5.0% 7.7% 3.4% 5.0% 9.6% 13.8% 7.1% 6.7%	5%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%	4% 7% 7% 7% 3% 4% 5% 6%% 6%% 6%%
Total					5.8%

## CGIAR Secretariat's Recommended Inflation Rates

	Expenditures	Composition	Infla	tion_	Total
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MAIL IBPGR AR SU BELGIAN 1986/ev1

DATE:

February 20, 1987

TO:

Dr. J. Trevor Williams, IBPGR

FROM:

Hennie Deboeck-De Zutter, CGIAR

SUBJECT: 1986 Belgian Contribution

I HAVE BEEN INFORMED BY BELGIAN GOVERNMENT THAT ITS 1986 CONTRIBUTION TO IBPGR WILL AMOUNT TO BFR 5.0 MILLION. THE DISBURSEMENT PROCESS HAS BEEN INITIATED AND DISBURSEMENT IS EXPECTED FOR MARCH 1986. BELGIUM WILL FORMALLY COMMUNICATE THIS INFORMATION TO YOU. REGARDS, HENNIE

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February 19, 1987

Dr. J. Trevor Williams
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Rome 00100, Italy

Dear Trevor:

Further to our electronic mail message of November 26, I am writing to provide more complete information on the funding IBPGR is likely to receive from the members of the CGIAR for approved core operating and capital budgets in 1987. Since November, we have received additional information from Canada, Germany, Spain, the UK and USAID. The World Bank has disbursed its first tranche. We have delayed sending you this letter until we received the confirmed allocations from USAID. The following paragraphs elaborate on requirements, World Bank funding policy, IBPGR's 1987 estimated funding and the stabilization mechanism.

## I. Requirements

As approved by the Group during ICW 1986, IBPGR's 1987 requirements amount to \$5.1 million. The recommended budget includes IBPGR's proposed rate of cost increases of 7%.

#### II. World Bank Funding Policy

The World Bank will continue the practice of using its funds to bring all centers to the same ratio of funding versus approvals, subject to the limitation of 25% of the 1987 recommended requirements. At present the systemwide funding outlook is \$190 million. Planning targets for the centers have been set at \$188 million. Approved funding requirements are \$193 million  $^{1}/_{\bullet}$ . This translates in a systemwide average funding level of 97% of the 1987 approvals of \$193 million. The disbursement policy has been designed to provide maximum funding as early as possible. As in the past two years, the first tranche has been disbursed in January; the second disbursement is scheduled for November 1987.

<sup>1/</sup> The Group approved a program of work requiring \$196 million funding at ICW. At present, support for the programs approved by the Group will require about \$3 million less. This is mainly due to the devaluation of the Naira in Nigeria, resulting in about \$4 million cost reduction. However, the latter should be offset by cost increases of about \$1 million in Peru.

### III. Funding

Based on the secretariat's current funding outlook it appears that IBPGR will be funded at \$5.1 million. This translates into the full funding of the requirements approved by the Group. This funding estimate is the starting point for IBPGR's 1988 Program and Budget Proposal to TAC. If you have any questions regarding this estimate or any additional information, please inform us as soon as possible so that the estimate can be adjusted if necessary.

Of the \$5.1 million the secretariat guarantees IBPGR will receive in 1987, \$3.28 million has been confirmed by donors. The attachment gives you the details of these confirmed contributions. We are regularly following up on the donors who have not yet allocated their 1987 contributions and will inform you of their decisions as the information flows in. The donors who are in this situation are: Austria, Belgium, China, Finland, France, IFAD, India, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Mexico, Nigeria, Norway, OPEC, Philippines and the World Bank (2nd tranche). As you know, not all of these donors will contribute to IBPGR.

With regard to Japan, as the representative of this country indicated during ICW, the systemwide contribution to the CGIAR might be slightly less than in 1986 when it was US\$15.6 million. According to the latest information we received from the Japanese, the FY87 budget plan has not yet been approved by the DIET. Therefore, Japan is not in a position to make a formal commitment until their budgetary process ends on March 31.

With regard to Italy we have learned that, due to the change in government, the budgetary process is running behind by about four months as compared to 1986. The actual disbursement of funds is, therefore, likely to be later than last year.

#### IV. Stabilization Mechanism

The mechanism will operate much the same in 1987 as it did in 1986. Centers who expect to have a claim on the mechanism are requested to keep us regularly informed during the year. During ICW 1987 the secretariat will discuss with the centers the claims on the mechanism and payments will be made in November. Payments will be made only if the total claim for any center exceeds one percent of the funding requirements.

The scope of expenditures covered by the mechanism has been expanded. Late in 1986, the secretariat decided to include capital costs as an item for which stabilization payments can be made provided that:

- (a) specific cost assumptions (including exchange rates) and the scope of the project have been explicitly discussed with the secretariat at an early enough stage;
- (b) centers have taken all possible steps including currency hedges when cost elements are exposed to risk.

We shall also wish to discuss hedging with any center which has significant exchange risk in its expenditure pattern. Centers in this category are encouraged to initiate discussion with us as soon as possible.

<u>Inflation</u>. We project that for most centers the actual inflation rate will be lower than the one originally proposed by the centers in their 1987 funding requirements request to donors. We are taking up this matter in a separate communication which will follow this letter.

Exchange Variations. The mechanism guarantees exchange rates for all donors who are pledging in non-dollar currencies. The applicable exchange rate is the one as of November 4, 1986, when donors made their pledges. Since then the dollar has weakened against the non-dollar currencies and there is the likelihood that this trend might continue in 1987. Consequently, the stabilization mechanism will have claims on a number of centers.

As in the past, it is the secretariat's intention not to press stabilization claims if they would bring a center below the average rate of funding for the system.

With best regards,

Sincerely yours

Curtis Farrar Executive Secretary

Attachment

IBPGR - 1987 Core Funding Update
 (as of February 10, 1987)

DONOR	CURRENCY	PLEDGED 1/ CONTRIBUTION	EXCHANGE RATE AS OF 11/4/86	US DOLLAR EQUIVALENT
		(IN MILLIONS)		(IN MILLIONS)
AUSTRALIA	AUS \$	.23	1.56	.15
CANADA	CAN \$	. 50	1.39	.36
DENMARK	DKR	. 93	7.74	.12
GERMANY	DM	.45	2.06	.22
NETHERLANDS	DFL	.95	2.32	.41
SPAIN	US \$	.05	1.00	.05
SWEDEN	SKR	2.20 2/	7.02	.31
SWITZERLAND	SFR	.28	1.71	.16
UK	POUND	• 50	.71	.70
USA	US \$	.80	1.00	.80
TOTAL				3.28
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 $<sup>\</sup>frac{1}{2}/$  Contributions are unrestricted core. Funds will be available in January but will be disbursed only upon center's request.

MAIL IBPGR AR EX SU RAVI/ev1

DATE:

February 19, 1987

TO:

Dr. J. Trevor Williams and Mr. N. Murthi Anishetty, IBPGR

FROM:

Ravi Tadvalkar, CGIAR

SUBJECT: IBPGR Committee Meetings

I will arrive in Rome on Saturday, February 21, and stay at Sheraton Roma. I will be available for any discussions on Sunday, February 22, prior to the meeting.

Regards, Ravi

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To: R. TADVALKAR (CGIO12)

From: IBPGR (CGI101) Posted: Fri 13-Feb-87 10:10 EST Sys 57 (15) Subject: Programme and Executive Committee Meeting

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To: R. Tadvalkar, CGIAR

From: Murthi Anishetty, IBPGR

Dear Ravi, AAA Provisional Agendas of the above meetings will be given to you by Dr. Chris Chapman, IBPGR Officer, located in the FAO North American Office, Washington, DC. BBB The medium-term plan is currently under preparation and will be tabled at the meeting. CCC Do you want us to book you a hotel?

kind regards, Trevor

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February 3, 1987

Dr. Andreas Papasolomontos Minister of Agriculture Ministry of Agriculture and Natural Resources Nicosia, Cyprus

Dear Andreas:

It is my pleasant duty to congratulate you on your appointment to the Board of Trustees of the IBPGR. I am aware of the considerable experience and talent that you bring to this post.

Since becoming Chairman of the CGIAR I have been impressed by the important role that the Boards play in our system and by the heavy responsibilities that are shouldered by the board members. Therefore, I am particularly grateful that you should have accepted this position. If at any time you feel that I can be of any assistance to you, please do not hesitate to contact me.

I am sending a copy of this letter to Dr. Peacock, Chairman of the Board of Trustees, and to Dr. Williams, Director of IBPGR.

Yours sincerely,

S. Shahid Husain Chairman

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Mr. C. Farrar, Executive Secretary, CGIAR

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February 3, 1987

Dr. William E. Tossell Department of Crop Sciences University of Guelph Guelph, Ontario Canada NIG 2W1

Dear Bill:

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Since becoming Chairman of the CGIAR I have been impressed by the important role that the Boards play in our system and by the heavy responsibilities that are shouldered by the board members. Therefore, I am particularly grateful that you should have accepted this position. If at any time you feel that I can be of any assistance to you, please do not hesitate to contact me.

I look forward to seeing you at the mid-year meeting in Montpellier in May next.

I am sending a copy of this letter to Dr. Peacock, Chairman of the Board of Trustees, and to Dr. Williams, Director of IBPGR.

Yours sincerely,

S. Shahid Husain Chairman

Dr. William J. Peacock, Chairman, IBPGR
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DR. PAPASOLOMONTOS, MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE, MINISRY OF
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AAA. A STORM OF WORK AND A STORM OF SNOW HAVE DELAYED THE
PREPARATION OF THE CGIAR CHAIRMAN'S FORMAL LETTER NOTIFYING YOU
OF YOUR APPOINTMENT TO SERVE ON THE IBPGR BOARD. PLEASE
THEREFORE ACCEPT THIS INFORMAL COMMUNICATION AS A TEMPORARY
SUBSTITUTE AND DO MAKE PLANS TO PARTICIPATE IN THE BOARD MEETING
IN ROME FEBRUARY 25-27, DETAILS OF WHICH ARE COMING TO YOU
DIRECTLY FROM THE SECRETARY OF THE BOARD, N. MURTHI ANISHETTY.
BBB. MANY THANKS FOR YOUR WILLINGNESS TO UNDERTAKE THIS
RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE CGIAR. AND BEST REGARDS,
FARRAR.

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DATE:

February 3, 1987

TO:

Dr. J. Trevor Williams, IBPGR

FROM:

Ravi Tadvalkar, CGIAR

SUBJECT: IBPGR Committee Meetings

With reference to recent conversation between Farrar and Anishetty I have made plans to attend the program and executive committee meetings of IBPGR on February 23 and 24, 1987. Main focus will be on IBPGR medium-term program plan proposal using the new process for discussion with TAC at the March 87 TAC meeting. Would be grateful for your concurrence and provision of documentation. Regards, Ravi

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To: C.FARRAR (CGIOOS) (CGI006) Cc: D.CALVO

From: IBPGR (CGI101) Posted: Mon 2-Feb-87 10:00 EST Sys 57 (10)

Subject: IBPGR XIV Board Meeting

CGIOO5 (Curtis Farrar) CC CGIOO6 (D. Calvo)

Froms

N. Murthi Anishetty

IBPGR, 57:CGI101

Subject: XIV Board Meeting of the IBFGR

Re Board Membership AAA Please confirm election of Drs. W.E. TOSSELL and A. PAPASOLOMONTOS on IBPGR Board of Trustees BBB Please inform them directly as soon as possible in view of imminence of IBPGR Board Meeting 25-27 February 1987. Regards, Murthi.

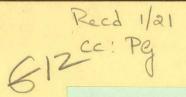
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THANK YOU FOR YOUR MESSAGE RE YOUR ATTENDANCE AT THE BOARD MEETINGS IN FEBRUARY. MY FEELING IS THAT IT IS NOT NECESSARY FOR YOU OR FOR

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NCA977 FARRAR PAGE 2/50

DISCUSSIONS WITH FAO. TAKING UP THE POINT YOU MADE TO ME LAST YEAR, I BELIEVE THE BOARD SHOULD MAKE THE INITIAL RUNNING AND HOPEFULLY COME TO AMICABLE AND SENSIBLE ARRANGEMENTS. I WOULD THEN NOTIFY YOU TO CHECK ABOUT ANY PUTATIVE ARRANGEMENTS AND ALSO SEEK YOUR HELP IF NECESSARY. I THINK

COL FAO.

NCA977 FARRAR PAGE 3/16
MY VIEW IS IN COMPLETE AGREEMENT WITH YOUR OWN.
W.J. PEACOCK CSIRO PLANT INDUSTRY CANBERRA AUSTRALIA

COL W.J. CSIRO

NNN 0200 EST



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To Rayi Tadvalker

## With compliments

Chris Chapman



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Dr. C. Chapman

All Members of the Programme Committee

15 January 1987

From:

N. Murthi Marishetty

Board Secretary

Subject: Fifth Programme Committee meeting 23-24 February 1987

I write to inform you that the above meeting will take place in the Canada Room (A.341) at 0930 hours on 23 February next. The Provisional Agenda is attached. Within the next few days we will be sending you Crop Status Reports together with a Report of the In-House Review on collection of wild species.

Looking forward to seeing you.

Accommodation has been booked for all Members at the Hotel Sant' Anselmo.



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Dr. C. Chapman

To: All Members of the Executive Committee

15 January 1987

Subject: 37th Executive Committee Meeting - 24 February 1987

I write to advise you that the above meeting will take place in the Canada Room (A.341) on 24 February next and I have pleasure in enclosing herewith:

The Provisional Agenda together with documents in respect of Agenda items 5 (Gene Patenting) and 7 (Register of Genebanks).



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To: The Chairman and all Board Members

15 January 1987

From:

v. Murthir Afrishetty

Board Secretary

Subject: Fourteenth Meeting of the Board of Trustees, 25-27 February 1987

- 1. The above meeting will take place in the Ethiopia Room (Room C.285) and will commence at 0930 hours on 25 february.
- 2. Accommodation has been booked for all Board Members at the Hotel Sant'Anselmo, 2, Piazza Sant'Anselmo, Rome. Telephone: 574547.
- 3. Further to the documents which were despatched on 15 December I now have pleasure in sending you the following:
  - (i) Minutes of the 13th Board Meeting
  - (ii) Minutes of the 35th Executive Committee Meeting
  - (iii) Minutes of the 3rd and 4th Programme Committee meetings
  - (iv) List of current Board Members
  - (v) Programme and Budget Proposals for 1987-88
  - (vi) Agenda Item 10 Register of Genebanks
- (vii) Provisional Agenda
- 4. A Statement of Accounts for 1986 and Pledges for 1987 will be tabled at the meeting.
- 5. You will shortly be receiving notification about your pre-paid ticket authorization.

Looking forward to seeing you next month.



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To: cgi401

Subject: Message for Paul Cooper

Texts

Thank you for sending me information on 1986 core and special contributions and for responding to 1987 allocations I sent you.

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With regard to 1986 core contributions I'm not accounting for the \$600,000 from IFAD until IRRI receives a confirmation from the donor that this amount will be paid. Please keep me informed on this matter.

Regarding Italy, I have no problem that you treat the \$ 175,000 as an 1987 advance payment. I will do accordingly and reflect it in the 1987 contributions. I also will make a technical adjustment in IRRI's 1987 funding requirements.

With regard to 1987 core contributions I have taken out the two special projects financed by IDRC, the \$ 100,000 special project from the Rockefeller foundation. I have also noted the \$25,000 decrease in the Swiss contribution and the \$ 100,000 increase in the UNDF contribution.

I wish you a Merry Christmas and all good things for 1987. With best regards. hennie Deboeck-De Zutter.

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To: cgi008 Subject: Message for Mr Anishetty/Ms Carla Gorelli

Thank you for your message on 1986 core contributions. We are on the same track. China has paid the \$50,000 thru the World Bank. Installments from USA and the Netherlands are expected in 1986. India and Belgium have not paid their 1986 pledge and will probably not do so before the year end. However, we take India and Belgium into account in estimating IBPGR's funding level for 1986. So the final estimate should be Therefore our present estimate is \$5.1 million.

I wish you a Merry Christmas and all good things for 1987. With best regards. Hennie Deboeck-De Zutter.

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To: cgi101

Subject: Message for Mr Anishetty/Ms Carla Gorelli

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cgi101
Subject: Message for N.Murthi Anishetty
Text:
Re 1987 core contributions - your message of Jan. 8
aaa) Following are confirmed donors' contributions:

Donor	Amount (millions) Currency of pledge	) US \$ equiv. at Nov '86 exchange rate
Australia	Aus \$ 0.231	0.148
Denmark	Dkr 0.932	0.120
Germany	DM 0.450	0.219
Netherland	DF1 0,945	0.407
Sweden	Skr 2.200	0.314
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bbb) Following donors have not confirmed they contributions. They contributed in 1986 to IBPGR and we assume they will do likewise in 1987: /pledged in 1986 to IBPGR and we assume they will do likewise in 1987:

Belgium, Canada, France, Italy, Japan, Norway, U.K., Austria, China, India, Spain, U.S. I will keep you updated on these donors as information comes in.

Regards. Hennie Deboeck-De Zutter.

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	HAVE RECEIVED INVITATION FROM MURTHI TO YOUR BOARD MEETING IN
6	ROME FEBRUARY 25-27. BELIEVE THIS IS ALSO THE OCCASION YOU WILL
7	BE MEETING WITH WALTON TO RESOLVE REMAINING MANAGEMENT ISSUES FOR
8	TWO YEAR TRIAL PERIOD. THINK IT IMPORTANT THAT THE LATTER
9	DISCUSSION BE STRICTLY BETWEEN IBPGR AND FAO. SECRETARIAT WILL
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