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THE WORLD BANK IBRD AND IDA - SUPERVISION SUMMARY

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the initial summary part of a mission report

an annual update

THIS FORM IS A STOCKROOM ITEM. Loan X Credit X No.: L/C Amount (\$xx.xin): Hegional Office: Project Name: Project Code: 1439-40/719 **EMENA** Nile Delta Drainage II 5-EGT-AI-04 66.0 Borrower/Beneficiary: Egyptian Public Board Date: Signing Date: Effective Date: Country: 4/17/78 EGYPT Authority for Drainage Projects(EPADP) 5/31/77 7/15/77 Projects Dept./Div. Name: Org. Code No.: Projects Officer: Loan Officer: Townsend Swayze 156/13 Paris Economides EMPA4 SECTION 1: SUMMARY PROJECT DESCRIPTION Construction of four new pumping stations and replacement of pumping units in two existing stations; remodelling of open drains on 810,000 feddans and installation of field drainage on 400,000 feddans; extension of Bilharzia Control Program to 1.2 m feddans in Upper Egypt; partial financing of Master Plan for Water Resources. SECTION 2: PERFORMANCE RATING Last Summary This Summary 2 2 STATUS: 1 - Problem-free or Minor Problems; 2 - Moderate Problems; 3 - Major Problems 2 1 TREND: 1 - Improving; 2 - Stationary; 3 - Deteriorating TYPES OF PROBLEMS: F - Financial; M - Managerial; T - Technical; P - Political; O - Other (Explain in Section 6.) If more than one type of problem, enter most critical factor first. MF IMPLEMENTATION STATUS: 1 - Problem-free or Minor Problems; 2 - Moderate Problems; 3 - Major Problems Disbursements Estimated Cost 2 Anticipated Completion Compliance with Loan Conditions 2 Project Finances Management Performance Procurement Progress Performance of Consultants DEVELOPMENT IMPACT: 1 - Problem-free or Minor Problems; 2 - Moderate Problems; 3 - Major Problems **Expected Benefits** Rate of Return Institution-Building SECTION 3: PROJECT DATA Total Cumulative Disbursements of which: Project Foreign Local through most recent Estimated/Actual: Project Loan/Credit Quarter ended (12 /31 / 78) Currency Currency Completion Closing Cost (Mo./Yr.) (Mo./Dav/Yr.) (\$xx.xm) (\$xx.xm) (\$xx.xm) (\$xx.xm) 117* 12,82 12,31,83 207 . 0 90 . 0 Appraisal Est. (Est.) 90 . 0 Last Summary (11/30/78) 6,83 12,31,83 . 0 117 . 0 0 . 0 (Actual) ,31 ,83 207 . 0 90 . 0 117 Current SECTION 4: MISSION SCHEDULE Final Report Date Return to HQ (Mo./Day/Yr.) No. of Staff on Mission No. of Days in Country (Mo./Day/Yr.) Latest/Present Mission , 5 , 79 3 ,30 ,79 (CS) 11 ,30 ,78 (FS) 10,30,78 Previous Mission Next Mission Departure Recommended interval End of period covered by latest progress report (Mo./Day/Yr.) 12, 31, 78 (Mo./Yr.) 9 , 79 4 between missions (Months) * Type of Report: FS = Full Supervision; CS = Combined Full/B-T-O; C = Completion; A = Appraisal; O = Other (explain below) Names of Mission Members Mission Members' Specializations Paris Economides Irrigation Engineer Irrigation Engineer Sheikh Abdur Rehman Number of members on both present and previous mission: None One Two or More

SECTION 5: COMMENTS (Clarify, if necessary, data in Sections 3 and 4.)

1/ Co-financed by KFW with US\$ 24.0 million

SECTION 6: SUMMARY OF PROJECT STATUS, TREND AND MAJOR PROBLEMS

Remodelling of open drains is behind schedule. As of December 31, 1978 some 61,000 fed were completed compared to an expected achievement at appraisal of 200,000 fed, reduced with the revised programs of November 1978 to 80,000 feddans. The tender for the construction of the four pumping stations has been advertised and bid opening is expected in May. Tender documents and specifications for the procurement of draglines are under preparation.

Government's allocation for drainage projects during 1978 was LE 44 million instead the LE 65 million requested. EPADP is LE 3 million in debt to the contractors for work implemented during 1978. For the current year, EPADP has asked LE 85 million to carry out the scheduled program but there are doubts that this amount will be fully allocated

The Bilharzia control program is proceeding on schedule. Phase III of snail control operations has been successfully implemented.

SECTION 7: MISSION RECOMMENDATIONS AND MANAGEMENT ACTION REQUIRED

Shortage of cement is the major constraint in implementing the drainage programs. A third lot of 75,000 tons may be necessary to be imported during the year.

Local funds availability should be followed closely by the Bank. Bank's intervention may become necessary to ensure the allocation of sufficient funds by the Government.

It is recommended that the Bank invites the Undersectary of the Ministry of Health Dr. A. Mobarak together with Bank's consultant D'G.Webbe to visit the Bank in Washington and discuss about the future program of Bilharzia control and its maintenance.

cc: Messrs. Paijmans, Kwaku, Kopp(3), Swayze(EM1); Haynes, K. Jones, Naylor, ffrench-Mullen, Merghoub, Frank, Khorana(EMP); van der Tak(3)(PAS), Yudelman(2)(AGR), Krishna(LEG), Hakim(CTR), Subramanian(CTR), Robless(PAB), Kordik(2)(OED)

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March 30, 1979

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March 21, 1979

Mr. Ahmed Fahmy
Chairman
Egyptian Public Authority for
Drainage Projects
5A El-Goheiny Street
Dokki-Giza
Cairo, Egypt

Dear Mr. Fahmy:

I wish to express to you and to your staff, our appreciation and thanks for the assistance and courtesies extended to Messrs. H. van der Tak, F. Hotes, and the members of the Bank mission who recently visited Egypt. The field trips to Upper Egypt and Nile Delta were extremely well organized and I take the opportunity to congratulate you on the efficiency of your staff, both at H.Q. and in the regions of the visits.

I was pleased to learn from the mission that there has been a general improvement in the implementation of the drainage projects and that several outstanding issues, such as the evaluation of drainage works, the maintenance of open drains, the establishment of cost accounting system, are in the process of being resolved. However, there are still some matters of concern, the most important being the mediocre achievement in field drainage installation during 1978. According to the data furnished to the mission, only 176,000 feddans have been provided with field drainage in Bank projects during the last year. This figure is far behind the target of 220,000 feddans suggested for the year and lower than the 180,000 feddans achievement of 1977. We know that the main reason for this poor performance was the shortage of cement. With the procurement of the new lot of 75,000 tons of cement from abroad, with Bank's approval, we hope that the performance of the current year will be close to the target of 270,000 feddans. If you have any other suggestions or if you think that Bank's intervention in other ways can facilitate the implementation of the program, I would be willing to consider any ideas you may have.

Another matter of concern is the insufficient allocation of funds by the Government for financing the drainage program. The mission informed us that the additional LE 21 million promised to EPADP for the year 1978 has

never been allocated and as a result EPADP, in spite of the low performance, is LE 3 million in debt to the contractors. We understand that for the year 1979, EPADP has asked LE 85 million but past experience suggests that it is unlikely that this amount will be fully allocated. Because of the significance of this matter, I would ask you to keep me informed of any new development.

The mission reported that inadequately graded gravel is still in use as filter in the field drains, in spite of the fact that the crushers, procured under the Bank credit, have been in the country since November 1978. I urge you to make sure that these crushers are put to use as soon as possible because we believe that this is the only way to obtain a well graded gravel for filter.

The mission also reported that on some occasions, the contractors are placing field drains without using levellers and that some contractors neglect to supply the drainage team with the special sticks with fork required for the alignment of the pipes in the trench. I think both the above are serious omissions which have bad consequences for the quality of work. I would suggest you issue an order to all supervisor engineers not to allow any field drainage installation unless the surveyor with the leveler is on the site and a worker with the special stick is in the rear seat of the laying machine, all the time, correcting the alignment of pipes.

Finally, another problem that came to the notice of the mission was that one laying machine, procured under the IDA credit has been sitting idle for 3 months because of lack of one certain spare part. We know that EPADP has distributed the spare parts to the contractors who subsequently are responsible for the maintenance of their machinery. But the above fact shows that, with this system, it is not always possible for each contractor to have all types of spare parts available at any one time. Therefore, it is necessary that a system should be introduced to avoid these unnecessary delays in repairing machinery in the future. Perhaps the less frequently used spare parts should be kept by the Authority and delivered to the contractors when the need arises or perhaps the Authority should encourage the contractors to create a pool of these spare parts and make use of them as and when required. The problem merits some attention and I would like to have your views.

With kind regards.

Sincerely yours,

Peter E. Naylor Chief, Agriculture Division IV Europe, Middle East and North Africa Region Projects Department

Cleared and cc: Swayze (EM1)

cc: Messrs, van der Tak(PAS), Hotes(AGR)

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March 9, 1979

Mr. Ahmed Falry
Chairman
Egyptian Public Authority for
Drainage Projects
5A El Goheiny Street
Kokko-Giza
Egypt

Dear Mr. Fahmy:

Re: Amendments to Project Agreements for
(1) Nile Delta Drainage II Project,
(11) Upper Egypt Drainage II Project,
and (111) Upper Egypt Drainage Project

- 1. I refer to the discussions that the recent IDA/IBRD supervision mission has had with you regarding amendment to the following provisions of the Project Agreement for Nile Delta Drainage II Project:
 - (1) Section 2.06 re: evaluation of the effect of drainage works;
- (ii) Section 2.07 re: study of the ability of the beneficiaries of the drainage works to pay for the investment, operation and maintenance costs;
 - (111) Section 3.03 re: training program; and
- (iv) Section 4.03 re: the establishment of the cost accounting system for the Authority.
- 2. In this connection, we propose the following amendments to the said sections and consequential amendments to other Project Agreements mentioned above:
- (1) "Section 2.06. (a) Except as the Association and the Bank shall stherwise agree, the Authority, in respect of selected areas, shall furnish to the Association and the Bank: (i) not later than February 28, 1979, an initial report, and thereafter, semiannual progress reports until December 31, 1980, on Authority's ongoing crash program for evaluating the effects of

completed Irainage works under the Projects and other projects of the Borrower on crop yields, (ii) not later than February 28, 1980, an interim report on the said program; (iii) not later than February 28, 1981, a final report on the findings of the said program. (iv) not later than June 30, 1979, an initial report, and thereafter, semiannual reports until June 30, 1984, on the Authority's on-going long-range program for evaluating the effects of completed drainage works under the Projects and other projects of the Borrower on crop yields; and (v) not later than Movember 30, 1984, a final report on the findings of the said long-range program.

- "(b) Section 2.00 of the Project Agreement (Upper Egypt Drainage II Project) between the Bank, Association and the Authority of June 11, 1976, is amended to read as provided in Section 2.06 (a) of this Agreement.
- (ii) Section 2.07 is amended by deleting the date set forth therein and by substituting the date "December 31, 1979" therefor.
- (111) "Section 3.03 (a) The Authority shall, as and when necessary, carry out training programs for its supervisors and technicians and the extension agents of the Ministry of Agriculture in drainage practices and maintenance. Prior to carrying out any such program the Authority shall furnish to the Association and the Bank the details thereof for their review and comments.
- "(b) Section 3.03 of the Project Agreement (Upper Egypt Drainage Project) between the Association and the Authority of June 3, 1973, and Section 3.03 of the Project Agreement (Upper Egypt Drainage II Project) between the Bank, the Association and the Authority of June 11, 1976, are each amended to read as provided in Section 3.03 of this Agreement.
- (iv) "Section 4.03. (a) The Authority shall, not later than December 31, 1979, or such other date as may be agreed between the Association, the Bank and the Authority, establish, and thereafter, maintain a cost accounting system, satisfactory to the Association, the Bank and the Authority, for its operations.
- "(b) Section 4.03 of the Project Agreement (Upper Egypt Drainage Project) between the Association and the Authority of June 8, 1973 and Section 4.03 of the Project Agreement (Upper Egypt Drainage II Project) between the Bank, the Association and the Authority of June 11, 1976, are each amended to read as provided in Section 4.03 of this Agreement."
- 3. If you agree with these proposals please signify your agreement by signing the attached copy of this letter and returning it to us.

4. In view of his interest in this matter, I am sending a copy of this letter to Mr. Samir Korsiem. Undersecretary of the Ministry of Economy, Foreign Trade and Economic Cooperation.

Sincerely yours,

Martijn J. Paijmans

Martijn J. W. M. Paijmans
Director, Country Programs I
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Chief, EMPA4

Nile Delta Drainage II Project

Compliance With Loan Conditions

Conditions Upon Which Action Pending

There are four dated covenants upon which action is still pending. The Bank and IDA have amended the project agreements to postpone the dates for meeting these conditions. The conditions and reasons for amending the dates are given below:

(a) Section 2.06 - Evaluation of the Effect of Drainage Works on Crop Yields

Section 2.06 of the Project Agreement provides for the completion of the evaluation of the effect of drainage works not later than June 30,1978, for areas under Nile Delta I Project and not later than June 30, 1979, for areas under Upper Egypt I Project.

These provisions were based on the assumption that existing yield data, collected by cooperatives, would be used. However, experience showed that these data were not reliable due to the fact that they did not account for factors other than drainage that affect yields (cultural practices, inputs, pest problems, etc.). We therefore proposed and EPADP agreed to initiate a new monitoring and evaluation program which would, with an improved methodology, provide the information needed to scientifically and accurately evaluate the effects of drainage on crop yields.

The new monitoring and evaluation program is divided into two distinct parts: (i) a crash program; and (ii) a long range program. The crash program will be limited to two years and will cover three representative areas. It is designed to provide as quickly as possible reliable information on the effects of drainage on crop yields. This data, although only available in part by then, will be used for the Nile Delta III Drainage Project scheduled for appraisal in May 1980. The crash program started November 1978.

The long range program is more comprehensive than the crash program, and will last for five years. It will cover six to ten representative areas. Because of its scope, the long range program will not only evaluate the effects of drainage over the years on crop yelds in Upper and Lower Egypt, but it will also indicate how drainage might influence cropping patterns, land use, income level and distribution, use of inputs, as well as a number of other factors.

The proposed amendment of Section 2.06 of the Nile Delta Drainage II Project Agreement (see draft letter attached) reflects the new situation.

(b) Section 2.07 - Study of the Ability of Farmers to Pay for Drainage Works

Section 2.07 of the Project Agreement provides for the completion of the study on the ability of the beneficiaries of the drainage works to pay for the investment, operation, and maintenance costs. However, this study is a follow up of a general socio-economic and farm management study carried out by the Ministry of Agriculture with technical and financial assistance from the Ford Foundation. Collection of data for the general studies has been completed after several months of delay, but tabulation and report writing are still underway. Since the study on the ability of beneficiaries to pay for the drainage works will be based on the findings of this general socio-economic study, and since it has not yet been completed, we propose to extend the date for the completion and furnishing to the Bank of the report on the ability of farmers to pay, to December 31, 1979. (See draft letter attached.)

(c) Section 3.03 - Training Program

Section 3.03 of the Project Agreement provides for carrying out by EPADP of a training program for (i) supervisors and technicians, and (ii) mechanics and operators.

Training programs for EPADP supervisors and technicians and the extension agents of the Ministry of Agriculture are being carried out as the need arises. But it is no longer apprepriate for EPADP to carry the responsibility for training of mechanics and operators in the operation and maintenance of the equipment, since all equipment provided under the project is now sold to the contractors. Training of operators and mechanics is the responsibility of the contractors and is being carried out with the assistance of foreign technicians provided by the suppliers of the machinery. The proposed amendment of this section reflects this situation. (See draft letter attached.)

(d) Section 4.03 - Establishment of Cost-Accounting System

Considerable delays occurred in the establishment of a cost-accounting system in EPAPP, required under 4.03 section of the Project Agreement, due to lack of experience and staff. The Bank suggested, and EPADP agreed, to hire a local consulting firm to assist in establishing the cost-accounting system and to train FPADP's staff. Bank provided its assistance to EPADP by drafting Terms of Reference for the design, training of staff, and implementation of the cost-accounting system by a local consulting firm. Negotiations are underway for the recruitment of one of the consulting firms, namely Dr. Hegazy and Co.

EPADP has recruited a number of new accountants who, after training, will form the cost-accounting unit. Training activities were expected to start in January. Because of the above mentioned difficulties, the cost-accounting system is not expected to become operable before the end of 1979. Therefore, we are proposing that this section be amended to reflect the actual state of affairs.

The letter of March 9, 1979, sent to Mr. Ahmed Fahmy by Mr. M. Paijmans (Annex 1, 3) is related to the above amendments suggested.

EGYPT

Nile Delta Drainage II Project

Key Indicators

| Activity Remodelling open | Total | Achievement a | 12.31.78 | Actual Achi | evement | Percent of objective Completed at 12-31-78 | | |
|--------------------------------------|---------|------------------------|---------------------------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------------------------|-----|--|
| | Work | According to appraisal | According revised Program (Nov 78) | to last Supervision | Current Super- vision | As compared to appraisal pr | | |
| Remodelling open drains (fed) | 800,000 | 200,000 | 80,000 | 41,000 | 61,000 | 31% | 76% | |
| Field drainage installation (fed) | 400,000 | - | - | ÷ | - | O t | - | |
| Pumping Station (No) | 4 | 40% | | 14 | 4 | 0 | | |

Annex 4

Arab Republic of Egypt Nile Delta Drainage II Project

Schedule of Disbursement

| | | | Actual | Appraisal | Lost Revised | New of | Appraisal |
|----------|------|------|--------|-----------|--------------|----------|-----------|
| | | | Total | Estimate | Estimate | Estimate | Estimate |
| December | 31, | 1978 | - | 21.1 | 0.1 | | 0 |
| June | 30, | 1979 | | 30.3 | 10.3 | | 34% |
| June | 30, | 1980 | | 45.5 | 30.3 | | 67% |
| June | 30, | 1981 | | 55.3 | 45.5 | | 82% |
| June | 30, | 1982 | | 62.7 | 55.3 | | 88% |
| June | 30, | 1983 | | 66.0 | 66.0 | | 100% |
| Clos | sing | date | - | Dec. 1 | 983 Dec. 19 | 83 | |

ARAB REPUBLIC OF EGYPT

Nile Delta Drainage II Project Places Visited and Officials Met

1. Places Visited

Cairo February 1 - 4, 1979

February 6 - 11,1979 February 15 - 20, 1979

East Delta February 5, 1979

Central Delta February 12, 1979

West Delta February 13-14, 1979

2. Officials Met

EPADP

Eng. Ahmed Fahmy Chairman

Eng. Ahmed Lutfi Undersecretary for Finance
Eng. Roushdi Sinarah Undersecretary for Maintenance

Eng. Toot Sharabim Undersecretary for Mechanical Dept.

Eng. Anis Naguib

Director General for Planning
Eng. Abdel Mooti El Desouki

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Eng. Ahmed Sawaf Director Technical Office

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Eng. Asaad Fahmy Chairman Evaluation Committee

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Mr. Akraim El Jaft

FAO Country Representative

EGYPT

Nile Delta Drainage II Project

Execution of the Project

- Excavation and remodelling of open drains. The work is carried out by five main contractor companies (public sector) working in the Delta, using equipment provided under the Nile Delta Drainage I project. As of December 31, 1978 some 61,000 feddans were completed compared to a target of 200,000 feddans estimated at appraisal, reduced to 80,000 feddans with the revised program of November 1978. The overall performance of EPADP during 1978 is shown in table I.
- Pumping Stations. A study carried out by EPADP showed that the most appropriate solution for the evacuation of the discharge water from the pumping station of Mehalla -el-Kobra is to construct a new drain of 750m long through which the water will be evacuated directly into the Damietta Branch of the Nile. By this way the deteriorating of the quality of water in the Mehalla Canal (into which the discharge water of the pumping station was originally planned to be evacuated.) will be avoided . After the adoption of this solution, the tender of the four pumping stations was advertised. Bid opening is scheduled for May. Tender documents and specifications for the electric transmission lines are under preparation. No action was taken for the replacement of the ten old pumps in the pumping stations Bahr Saft and Kassaby. These pump units were installed in 1954 and are in bad shape. M.A.N., the manufacturer of the pumps, submitted to EPADP a proposal for the complete rehabilitation of the pumps. as compared to the replacement of the pumps, is under study.

Procurement.

- Tender documents for the procurement of draglines are under preparation.
- Approval was given by the Bank for the procurement of 10,000 tons reinforcement steel bars to be used in the construction of pumping stations and structures
- Mulluscicide and drugs of a total value of US\$ 9.7 millions, have been procured from "Bayer", West Germany, for the Bilharzia Control Program.
- 4. <u>Maintenance of open drains</u>. Since January 1, EPADP is responsible for the maintenance of open drains in areas where field drainage has been installed. An improvement in this activity has already been noticed. A special allocation of LE 2.5 million was made for the current year.
- 5. Cost accounting system. Some progress has been made with the establishment of the cost accounting system in EPADP. Already 21 new accountants have been recruited for this purpose. Offers from three different local firms for assisting EPADP in establishing the cost accounting system and for training the accountants have been received and are under study. It is expected that the cost accounting system will be established within six months.

- Availability of local funds. Some problems are anticipated with allocation of local funds to EPADP for carrying out the drainage program. During 1978, EPADP received only LE 44 million instead of the LE 65 promised. As a result and in spite of the low performance due to the shortage of cement, EPADP is LE 3 million in debt to the contractors. For the year 1979, EPADP has asked LE 85 million of which LE 70 million for local cost and LE 15 million for foreign cost. No decision has been made by the Government until now as to the amount of the allocation but there are fears that it will be much lower than that requested.
- Bilharzia Control Program. The maintenance of the bilharzia control measures was discussed at a meeting with Dr. Osman Mahmoud Zemitti, Director General of the Bilharzia Control Program and Dr. Salah Mohamed El-Haq, responsible for chemotherapy. The need to reduce, in the future, dependence on molluscicide produced by one foreign firm only has been emphasized. It was agreed that local production of the similar molluscicide (mollotox) should be encouraged. A large scale test with mollotox is scheduled for March in the Ismailia area. If the test proves to be successful and if assurances can be obtained that the firm can produce the quantities required, the Ministry of Health would negotiate a five-year contract with the firm for the supply of molluscicide.
- 8. Contribution to the project by World Food Program. The aid program for the World Food Program (WFP) became effective in February 1979. According to the program WFP would provide food to the personnel engaged in the execution of the Nile Delta Drainage II project of a total value of US\$ 18 million in four years. A certain amount of the laborers wages will be deducted in return for supplying food commodities and the resulting fund will be used to finance local cost for the execution of drainage works on about 30,000 feddars.

Arab Republic of Egypt Bank Drainage Projects Work Progress During 1978

| | TOTAL | End 1977 | 1st Quar | arter | 2nd Qua | arter | 3rd Quar | arter | 4th Qua | arter | Tote | 1 1978 |
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| Remodelling Open Drains | WORK | Cumulative | During Quarter | Cumulative | During Quarter | | During Quarter | Cumulative | During Quarter | Cumulative | Achieved | Targ |
| Remodelling Open Drains | | 1 | | | Ledo | Ans | | | | | 1 | |
| Nile Delta I | 860,000 | 785,000 | 55,000 | 840,000 | 23,000 | 863,000 | 9,000 | 872,000 | 37,000 | 909,000 | 124,000 | 75,0 |
| Upper Egypt I | 300,000 | 206,000 | 14,000 | 220,000 | 7,000 | 227,000 | 11,000 | 238,000 | 12,000 | 250,000 | 44,000 | 94,0 |
| Upper Egypt II | 500,000 | 89,000 | 5,000 | 94,000 | 26,000 | 120,000 | 12,000 | 132,000 | 27,000 | 159,000 | 70,000 | 131,0 |
| Nile Delta II | 800,000 | | | | | | 41,000 | 41,000 | 20,000 | 61,000 | 61,000 | 40,0 |
| TOTAL | 2,460,000 | 1,080,000 | 74,000 | 1,154,000 | 56,000 | 1,210,000 | 73,000 | 1,283,000 | 96,000 | 1,379,000 | 299,000 | 340,00 |
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| Installation Field Drainage | 4 | | | | | | | | | | 100 | |
| Nile Delta I | 950,000 | 604,000 | 24,000 | 628,000 | 30,000 | 658,000 | 35,000 | 693,000 | . 42,000 | 735,000 | 131,000 | 140,00 |
| Upper Egypt I | 300,000 | 85,000 | 11,000 | 96,000 | 11,000 | 107,000 | 7,000 | 114,000 | 8,000 | 122,000 | 37,000 | 50,00 |
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Mr. Ahmed Fahmy
Chairman
Egyptian Public Authority for
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Cairo, Egypt

Dear Mr. Fahmy:

I wish to express to you and to your staff, our appreciation and thanks for the assistance and courtesies extended to Messrs. H. van der Tak, F. Hotes, and the members of the Bank mission who recently visited Egypt. The field trips to Upper Egypt and Nile Delta were extremely well organized and I take the opportunity to you on the efficiency of your staff, both at H.Q. and in the regions of the visits.

I was pleased to learn from the mission that there has been a general improvement in the implementation of the drainage projects and that several outstanding issues, such as the evaluation of drainage works, the maintenance of open drains, the establishment of cost accounting system, are in the process of being resolved. However, there are still some matters of concern, the most important being the mediocre achievement in field drainage installation during 1978. According to the data furnished to the mission, only 176,000 feddans have been provided with field drainage in Bank projects during the last year. This figure is far behind the target of 220,000 feddans suggested for the year and lower than the 180,000 feddans achievement of 1977. We know that the main reason for this poor performance was the shortage of cement. With the procurement of the new lot of 75,000 tons of cement from abroad, with Bank's approval, we hope that the performance of the current year will be close to the target of 270,000 feddans. If you have any other suggestions or if you think that Bank's intervention in other ways can facilitate the implementation of the program, I would be willing to consider any ideas you may have.

Another matter of concern is the insufficient allocation of funds by the Government for financing the drainage program. The mission informed us that the additional LE 21 million promised to EPADP for the year 1978 has never been allocated and as a result EPADP, in spite of the low performance, is LE 3 million in debt to the contractors. We understand that for the year 1979, EPADP has asked LE 85 million but past experience suggests that it is unlikely that this amount will be fully allocated. Because of the significance of this matter, I would ask you to keep me informed of any new development.

The mission reported that inadequately graded gravel is still in use as filter in the field drains, in spite of the fact that the crushers, procured under the Bank credit, have been in the country since November 1978. I urge you to make sure that these crushers are put to use as soon as possible because we believe that this is the only way to obtain a well graded gravel for filter.

The mission also reported that on some occasions, the contractors are placing field drains without using levellers and that some contractors neglect to supply the drainage team with the special sticks with fork required for the alignment of the pipes in the trench. I think both the above are serious omissions which have bad consequences for the quality of work. I would suggest you issue an order to all supervisor engineers not to allow any field drainage installation unless the surveyor with the leveler is on the site and a worker with the special stick is in the rear seat of the laying machine, all the time, correcting the alignment of pipes.

Finally, another problem that came to the notice of the mission was that one laying machine, procured under the IDA credit has been sitting idle for 3 months because of lack of one certain spare part. We know that EPADP has distributed the spare parts to the contractors who subsequently are responsible for the maintenance of their machinery. But the above fact shows that, with this system, it is not always possible for each contractor to have all types of spare parts available at any one time. Therefore, it is necessary that a system should be introduced to avoid these unnecessary delays in repairing machinery in the future. Perhaps the less frequently used spare parts should be kept by the Authority and delivered to the contractors when the need arises or perhaps the Authority should encourage the contractors to create a pool of these spare parts and make use of them as and when required. The problem merits some attention and I would like to have your views.

With kind regards.

Sincerely yours,

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

TO: Mr. Peter E. Naylor, Chief, EMPA4

DATE: March 19, 1979

FROM: Paris Economides EMPA4

SUBJECT: Mission January 29 - March 3, 1979, to Egypt and Iraq Back-to-Office Report

1. EGYPT (January 30 to February 20, 1979)

A. <u>Drainage Projects</u> 1/ (Nile Delta I, Upper Egypt I, Upper Egypt II and Nile Delta II)

- Progress with field drainage installation is behind schedule. During 1978, only 176,000 feddans were provided with field drainage compared to the original target of 220,000 feddans, reduced later to 200,000 feddans (Table 1). An additional area of 19,000 feddans was provided with field drainage outside Bank projects. The achievement for this year was lower than that for the year 1977, during which some 180,000 feddans (Bank projects) were covered with field drainage. The reason for this mediocre performance is the shortage of cement. Out of a quantity of about 213,000 tons requested by EPADP from the Ministry of Housing, only 144,000 tons have been received, including the cement procured from Romania with IDA funds (Table 2). This amount was just sufficient to cover the needs in cement for the 195,000 feddans implemented during the year.
- 2. Progress with remodelling is also behind schedule. During 1978, some 300,000 feddans were completed to a target of 340,000 feddans. It should, however, be mentioned that this achievement compared to that of 1977 (210,000 feddans) should be considered satisfactory.
- All the eleven pumping stations of the Nile Delta I Drainage Project are operational and a good monitoring system has been established. However, there is a need to computerize the data collected from the stations in order to evaluate the design criteria and to confirm the observation made that, due to the installation of field drainage, actual drainage discharges are lower than were anticipated. The matter has been discussed with the Undersecretary of the Mechanical and Electrical Department of the Ministry of Irrigation, Engineer Abdel Mohseiny Azmy, who promised to take the necessary action.

 Moderate progress is being made with the construction of pumping stations in Upper Egypt. The Damanhour workshop for pumping stations has been completed while installation of machinery in the workshop of Kafr Sheikh is underway. The tender for the four new pumping stations in Nile Delta II Project has been issued.

^{1/} Full supervision reports will be prepared later.

- 4. Construction of the three PVC pipe factories in Upper Egypt has almost been completed. The delivery of machinery will start in May and it is expected that the first factory (Beni Suef) will become operational by October 1979.
- 5. Since January 1, 1979, EPADP is responsible for the maintenance of open drains in areas where field drainage has been installed. An improvement in this activity has already been noticed. A special allocation of LE 2.5 million was made for the current year.
- 6. The study on the soil amelioration activities in Upper Egypt will be completed by end of April. Already, two areas have been identified (30,000 fed. in Beni Suef and 10,000 fed. in Minieh) which need special treatment. Implementation of the program will start in June with the arrival of the ordered equipment. Local funds required for this program, estimated at LE 1 million (LE 20 per feddan), have already been allocated.
- 7. Some progress has been made with the establishment of the cost accounting system in EPADP. Already 21 new accountants have been recruited for this purpose. Offers from three different local firms for assisting EPADP in establishing the cost accounting system and for training the accountants have been received and are under study. It is expected that the cost accounting system will be established within six months.
- 8. Some problems are anticipated with the allocation of local funds to EPADP for carrying out the drainage program. During 1978, EPADP received only LE 44 million instead of the LE 65 promised. As a result and in spite of the low performance due to the shortage of cement, EPADP is LE 3 million in debt to the contractors. For the year 1979, EPADP has asked LE 85 million of which LE 70 million for local cost and LE 15 million for foreign cost. No decision has been made by the Government until now as to the amount of the allocation but there are fears that it will be much lower than that requested.

B. Bilharzia Control Program

9. The maintenance of the bilharzia control measures was discussed at a meeting with Dr. Osman Mahmoud Zemiti, Director General of the Bilharzia Control Program and Dr. Salah Mohamed El-Haq, responsible for chemotherapy. The need to reduce, in the future, dependency on molluscicide produced by one foreign firm only has been emphasized. It was agreed that local production of the similar molluscicide (mollotox) should be encouraged. A large scale test with mollotox is scheduled for March in the Ismailia area. If the test proves to be successful and if assurances can be obtained that the firm can produce the quantities required, the Ministry of Health would negotiate a five-year contract with the firm for the supply of molluscicide.

10. A higher level discussion with Government officials and Bank representatives will be very useful to formulate future policy. It is recommended that the Undersecretary of the Ministry of Health, Dr. A. Mobarak and the Bank consultant Dr. Webbe be invited by mid-May to visit Washington, to discuss the bilharzia program in Egypt and the measures required for its maintenance.

C. Fruit and Vegetables Project

(a) Nubariya Main Drain

11. Progress with the three contracts awarded for the lower part of the Drain (km 0.0 to km 7.8) is as follows:

Contract 1 (km 0.0 to km 2.3): Excavation 95% completed. Bridge km 1.83, foundation completed, masonry work underway. Bridge km 2.1, 44% completed. Expected date of completion of contract: June 30, 1979.

Contract 2 (km 2.3 to km 3.8): Completed.

Contract 3 (km 3.8 to km 7.8): Earth work completed 70%. Two siphons have been constructed while the third one is 60% completed. Expected date of completion of contract: June 30, 1979.

- 12. No progress was made in the design of the outfall structure (weir) of the drain. The University of Cairo is carrying out a study on the structure in a model. Results will be available within six months.
- 13. The two contracts for the construction of the Drain (from km 28.4 to km 40.0 and from km 40.0 to km 76.7) have been awarded to the General Company for Land Reclamation for a total amount of LE 4.53 million (US\$6.6 million) with a maximum of 45% (about US\$3.0 million) to be paid in foreign currency. Expected date of completion of the contract March 1981.
- 14. A contract has been signed between EPADP and the consultant (Sir William Halcrow and Partners) for the preparation of tender documents and specifications for the remaining part of the Main Nubariya Drain (km 7.8 to km 28.4). Tenderers will be requested to submit offers for the two alternative solutions, tunnel/loop. Tender documents will be ready for Bank's review in April.

(b) Drainage Works Within the Nubariya Seed Farm

15. The problem of establishing good drainage conditions within the farm has been discussed on several occasions with Dr. Hussein Shabana, Chairman of NSPC, Mr. Abdelaziz Seif-El-Din, Vice-Chairman of NSPC, and Eng. Ahmed Fahmy,

Chairman of the Egyptian Authority for Drainage Projects (EPADP). It has been decided that EPADP will take the full responsibility for the remodelling of open drains and for the installation of field drainage on the farm. Field investigations and design work will be carried out by EPADP's design office taking into consideration the consultant's recommendations. Execution of the work will be done by EPADP, using local contractors, in the same way as is done for the other drainage projects. Financing will be assured by the NSFC. In a joint meeting between Dr. Shabana and Eng. Ahmed Fahmy, it was decided that official letters be exchanged between EPADP and NSPC on this matter. If no further difficulties arise, it is expected that the drainage systems covering the whole farm will be completed by end 1980.

(c) Irrigation Works Within the Nubariya Seed Farm

- 16. The remodelling and improvement of the main irrigation canals within the farm will be carried out by the Department of Projects and Land Reclamation of the Ministry of Irrigation. Eng. M. A. Maklouf, head of this Department, agreed to prepare tender documents and specifications on the basis of the consultant's recommendations. It is expected that tenders will be issued by end of May. The works will be financed by the Ministry of Irrigation.
- 17. For the improvement of the secondary and tertiary irrigation canals, and water management in general, the services of the Institute for Water Use and Management have been requested. Dr. Mahmoud Abu-Zeid, Director of the above mentioned institute, promised to study the proposals of the consultant and prepare within 3-4 months the final design and specifications for the irrigation network within the farm. The NSPC will bear the implementation cost.

(d) Lining of El Nasr Canal

18. The consultant (Sir William Halcrow and Partners) has submitted his proposals on the remedial measures required for the rehabilitation of the canal. The Department of Projects and Land Reclamation of the Ministry of Irrigation is not in full agreement with the consultant's recommendations. A technical committee within the Ministry of Irrigation has been formed to study the report and to make final recommendations as to the method to be followed for the rehabilitation of the canal and for the lining of the remaining part (from km 27 to km 54). Specifications for tendering the repair works are expected to be completed within 3-4 months. Financing has been assured from the regular budget of the Ministry of Irrigation.

(e) Maintenance of Irrigation and Drainage Works on the Seed Farm

19. The need for strengthening the maintenance unit of the farm to enable it to carry out properly and in time the maintenance of the secondary and tertiary irrigation and drainage systems has been emphasized. Dr. Shabana agreed to recruit one or two more engineers for this purpose. The Department of Projects and Land Reclamation of the Ministry of Irrigation will be responsible thereafter, for the maintenance of the main drains and canals.

D. Agricultural Development Project

(a) Pilot Irrigation Project in Menufiya

The Mechanical and Electrical Department of the Ministry of Irrigation, in collaboration with the Institute for Water Use and Management is responsible for the preparation of the design and tenders. Eng. Abdel Mohseim Azmy, head of the Mechanical and Electrical Department, assured the mission that design and tender documents will be ready for Bank's review by the end of August 1979. A topographical map will be prepared by the Department together with a detailed survey of sagias. The mission suggested and the Department agreed that staff from the Ministry of Irrigation should approach the farmers of the area and explain to them the scope and advantages of the suggested pilot irrigation scheme. During the meeting it was decided that two separate tenders will be prepared, one for the pumping stations (buildings, supply of pumps, and erection) and the other for the irrigation network (supply of pipes and valves and installation). Concerning the construction of the transmission line for the electrification of the pumping stations, the Rural Electrification Authority will be asked to prepare design and tender as soon as the location and characteristics of the stations are determined. The need for monitoring the pilot irrigation project was strongly emphasized. It was further agreed that a consultant be recruited to check the design work and to assist in formulating plans for adaptive irrigation trials and in establishing the monitoring and evaluation system. Provision for this was made in the Credit Agreement.

(b) Procurement of Pumps for Replacement of Sagias in Sohag and Menufiya

21. The procurement of pumps has been discussed with officials in the Ministry of Agriculture and Irrigation. It was agreed that the Ministry of Agriculture will assume the responsibility for the procurement. The Ministry of Irrigation (Mechanical and Electrical Department) will prepare the technical specifications. In the appraisal report it is mentioned that 4,000 small pumps will be procured of which 2,000 electrical and 2,000 diesel. However, in view of the plans for rural electrification, already approved (see para. below) it

is expected that at least 3/4 of the pumps will be electrified. During discussions it was agreed that the procurement of pumps should be made in two tenders. The first, will comprise about 1,000 electrical units and 500 diesel units, of which 50% will be of a discharge of 100 m³/h (to replace one only sagia) and 50% will be of a discharge of 200 m³/h (to replace more than one sagia). Provision for spare parts and repair facilities will be included in this tender. The second tender will comprise the remaining 2,500 units and it will be issued later when more accurate data on possibility for electrification and farmer's preferences will be available. Concerning the 300 larger electrical stationary pumps which will replace existing old pumps in Sohag, it was decided that the local committee should examine each case separately. Specifications and tender documents will be issued after collection of data concerning the technical characteristics of the existing pumps and the willingness of farmers to replace them with new electrical pumps.

(c) Rural Electrification

- 22. The construction of new electric transmission lines and the electrification of pumps has been discussed with Eng. Anwas Azouz of the Rural Electrification Authority. Mr. Azour informed the mission that the final design and tender documents for transmission lines in Sohag is ready (together with maps showing the location of each pump to be electrified). Similar design is at the final stage of preparation for Menufiya.
- 23. An international tender is under preparation for the procurement of equipment and materials required for the transmission lines and connections, at an estimated cost of US\$2.6 million. The same specifications and tender documents will be used as for the ongoing power project. It was agreed that a copy of the tender documents be sent to the Bank before being issued. The Rural Electrification Authority will bear the local cost required for the lines.

(d) Technical Committee Within the Ministry of Irrigation

A technical committee has been established in the Ministry of Irrigation to discuss and make decisions on technical matters related to the irrigation component of the Agricultural Development Project. Members of the committee are: (1) Eng. Abdel Mohseim Azmy, Chief of the Mechanical and Electrical Department; (2) Eng. M. A. Makhlouf, Chief of Projects and Land Reclamation Department; (3) Dr. Mahmoud Abou Zeid, Director of the Institute for Water Use and Management. Dr. Abou Zeid has been nominated as representative of the Ministry of Irrigation in the Central Coordination Committee of the Agricultural Development Project.

E. New Lands Development - West Nubariya Project

(a) Feasibility Study

I was informed by Dr. Anwar Rifki, technical advisor of the Ministry of Land Reclamation, that the Interim Report on the West Nubariya Project will be submitted by ULG Consultants to the Government by mid-March 1979. The report will be reviewed by Government, Bank and ODM on April 10. A soil survey covering a gross area of 113,000 feddans is at the final stage of completion. So far some 70,000 feddans have been identified as suitable for cultivation of which 50,000 feddans are recommended for surface irrigation and 20,000 feddans for sprinkler. The interim report will include proposals covering all aspects such as engineering, agriculture and social. After approval of the interim report the consultant will proceed with the preparation of the final feasibility study which will be submitted to the Government by end of June. The final feasibility study will include detailed design and specifications for two model areas, with surface and sprinkler irrigation. Similar design will be subsequently prepared for the rest of the areas by the Ministry of Land Reclamation.

(b) Pumping Stations at Nasr Canal

26. Works on pumping stations No. 4 and 5 continue. Civil works on pumping station No. 5 have been completed and the erection of pumps has started. Civil works on pumping station No. 4 are underway. It is expected that by end 1981, the two pumping stations will be operable.

II. IRAQ (February 21-28, 1979)

A. Lower Khalis Project

(a) Progress of Work

- 27. The execution of the project is substantially behind schedule. Considerable delays occurred in the past due to poor management on the part of the contractors and to a shortage of cement. Although there has been recently an improvement on contractor's performance and shortage of cement is no longer a constraint, it will not be possible for the project to recoup the time lost, estimated at about one year.
- 28. The quality of work is, in general, good. Only some minor problems have been encountered with the compaction of embankments.

29. The progress of work by contract as of January 31, 1979, is summarized below:

Contract K3 (6,700 ha net)

29. The overall completion is estimated at 85% with contract time elapsed (including extensions) 118%. The main remaining works are the North Rashidya Pump Station together with two siphons; the large siphon which connects the Khalis main canal to the South Rashidya area; and some minor structures, connections, etc. Work is underway on all the above structures and it is expected to be completed by end of July 1979. This part of the project will become operable by August 1979. The contractor has been paying delay penalty since January 1979.

Contract K1 (14,300 ha net)

30. The overall completion is estimated at 28% with 78% of the contract time elapsed. Good progress has been made in excavation of open drains, road construction and land levelling. According to the contract, works should be completed by July 1979 but judging from present performance, completion of work should not be expected before July 1980.

Contract K2 (24,900 ha net)

31. The overall completion is estimated at 9% with 50% of the contract time elapsed. Satisfactory progress has been made in excavation of open drains, earth works for canals, land levelling and road construction. Works, according to the contract, should be completed by October 1980 but it is almost certain that a considerable delay will occur.

Contract K4 (KAA Headquarters and staff housing)

32. The contract has been advertised for the third time but only one offer has been received. The consultant who examined the offer suggested that it should be rejected as not being in accordance with the specifications. He further recommended that KAA should negotiate the contract directly with certain firms working in Iraq. The tender committee will decide on this issue very soon. In the meantime, 40 prefabricated houses have been ordered from abroad to cover urgent housing needs of staff.

Contract for Experimental Farm Buildings

33. The contract has been tendered and two bids have been received. The lowest evaluated bid was about 1 million dinars (\$3.3 million). In view of this high cost, the evaluation committee has suggested the cancelling of the tender. On the other hand, the Ministry of Agriculture is expanding its research program and will include in their research activities the Khalis

Region. In view of this fact, it has been decided that the Lower Khalis Experimental Farm should be part of the research effort of the Ministry of Agriculture and the Khalis agricultural research program be implemented in collaboration with the Ministry of Agriculture.

34. KAA will provide prefabricated houses for the staff, support staff and equipment while the Ministry of Agriculture will provide offices, laboratories and professional staff.

(b) Land Redistribution

35. No progress has been made on this issue. KAA proposals on land redistribution are still under consideration by the Government. The Director General informed the mission that a decision will be made before end of March. He recognized the importance of making an early decision but he also pointed out that most of the land needs to be leached and cultivated by KAA for 1-2 years before it can be finally delivered to the farmers.

(c) Farm Machinery

36. KAA has already procured 200 tractors, 50 combines and other implements. Offers have been received for the rest of the machinery and are under consideration. Some repair facilities exist and a new repair center will be ready by August. A training program for mechanics and machinery operations is under implementation at the training center established at Khalis. Repairmen are also being sent for training to other existing training centers in the country and abroad.

(d) Drainage Engineer

37. An agreement with FAO has been concluded for the provision of a drainage and irrigation engineer to the project who will join the FAO team. Terms of Reference have been drawn up.

(e) Training of Farmers on New Techniques

38. The Extension Service of the Ministry of Agriculture will assume responsibility for the training of farmers in the new agricultural techniques. An agriculturist with a number of technicians will be assigned to each project sub-area. The Ministry of Irrigation will undertake the responsibility for training farmers in water management. However, no concrete plans have been

prepared for the latter activity. The project will face in the future difficulties due to the reluctance of farmers to irrigate during the night although the irrigation system has been calculated for 24 hours operation. The use of additional irrigation equipment (gate pipes) to facilitate irrigation and the construction of small earth reservoirs to store water during the night are under study. It was also recognized that there is an urgent need to train KAA staff in supervising the application of water.

(f) Maintenance of the Irrigation and Drainage Works

39. The matter of organizing a good maintenance unit on the project was taken up with the Director General. It should be mentioned that according to the contracts, the contractors will be responsible for the maintenance of the irrigation and drainage works for one year after their completion. The Director General informed the mission that a maintenance department has been already established. The Department includes three offices, one for the maintenance of lined canals, the second for the maintenance of earth canals, drains and roads and the third for the maintenance of pumps, gates and other structures. Two engineers, together with a number of technicians, have been recruited to man the maintenance department. There is a difficulty in recruiting technical staff for the project due to the general shortage of engineers in the country. The mission suggested that one solution to the problem could be the use of technicians, graduated from intermediate technical schools to replace engineers in maintenance and irrigation supervision works.

(g) Monitoring

40. The mission suggested the establishment of a monitoring system in Lower Khalis to monitor physical and social aspects of the project. The design of such a monitoring system could be entrusted to the consultant. The KAA Director General took note of this suggestion and promised to take the necessary action.

(h) Progress Report

41. A quarterly progress report covering the period October-December 1978 is in the final stage of preparation and it will be sent to the Bank by the end of this month.

(1) Consultant Performance

42. The KAA Director General expressed the following complaints to the mission about the consultant's performance: First, the consultant is using very young engineers without, or with very little, experience in irrigation and drainage works. Second, the consultant engineers stay most of the time

in the office and they do not supervise the works closely during the construction period. As a result, defective works are discovered only at final acceptance, a fact that causes unnecessary delays in the execution of the project. And third, the consultant in many cases is reluctant to give his opinion or advise on technical matters. The mission recommends that this matter be discussed with the Director General during his visit to Washington and decide about the appropriate action to be taken by the Bank, if any.

(k) Management of the Project

43. The mission got the impression that the new Director General of the Khalis project is a very competent and efficient man. His attitude towards the Bank mission was positive and he was listening with attention to the mission's remarks and recommendations. He expressed to the mission his wish to visit the Bank in Washington by end of May and discuss the closing of the loan and any further cooperation between KAA and the Bank. The mission recommends that an official invitation be extended to him through the Ministry of Planning.

cc: Messrs. Paijmans, Kwaku, Kopp, Swayze(EM1); Haynes, K. Jones, ffrench-Mullen, Merghoub, Frank, Khorana(EMP); van der Tak(3)(PAS), Yudelman(2)(AGR), Krishna(LEG), Hakim(CTR), Subramanian(CTR), Robless(PAB), Kordik(2)(OED), Siebeck, Njomo(EM2), Bose, Hing, Sands, Rehman, Schwenneker(EMP)

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Arab Republic of Egypt Bank Drainage Projects Work Progress During 1978

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| Nile Delta I | 950,000 | 604,000 | 24,000 | 628,000 | 30,000 | 658,000 | 35,000 | 693,000 | . 42,000 | 735,000 | 131,000 | 140,000 |
| Upper Egypt I | 300,000 | 85,000 | 11,000 | 96,000 | 11,000 | 107,000 | 7,000 | 114,000 | 8,000 | 122,000 | 37,000 | 50,000 |
| Upper Egypt II | 500,000 | | 1,000 | 1,000 | 3,000 | 4,000 | 2,000 | 6,000 | 2,000 | 8,000 | 8,000 | 10,000 |
| Nile Delta II | 400,000 600,000 | | • | | | | | | | | | ••• |
| Nile Delta III | 600,000 | | | | | | | | | | | • |
| TOTAL | 2,750,000 | 689,000 | 36,000 | 725,000 | 44,000 | 769,000 | 44,000 | 813,000 | \$2,000 | 865,000 | 176,000 | 200,000 |
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TB: Area provided with field drainage outside Bank projects during 1978: \$9,000 fed.

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Drainage Projects

Quantities of Cement Requested and Received by EPADP

| | | Quantity Requested | Quantity Received |
|-----------|---|-----------------------|----------------------|
| Month | | tons | tons |
| January | | 16,350 | 9,486 |
| February | | 12,800 | 7,496 |
| March | | 16,000 | 11,897 |
| April | | 15,755 | 12,706 |
| May | | 15,700 | 11,827 |
| June | | 19,000 | 6,468 |
| July | | 20,200 | 11,500 |
| August | * | 20,750 | 7,492 |
| September | | 21,200 | 9,234 * |
| October | • | 17,000 | 17,989 * |
| November | | 19,000 | 23,539 * |
| December | | 19,000 | 14,159 * |
| TOTAL | | 212,755 | 143,793 |

^(*) Including cement received from Romania through IDA funds.

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ADDRESSED PENNACCHIO UNDEVPRO CAIRO AND MESSRS. SARWAT/DURRANT, EXWAP, CAIRO. RE EGY/73/024 WATER MASTER PLAN. REFERENCE HE MINISTER OF IRRIGATION REQUESTS DURING TRIPARTITE MEETING AND DURRANT TELEX 021 TO NAYLOR DATED MARCH FOURTEEN REF UTILIZATION IDA FUNDS FOR CERTAIN LOCAL COSTS. AAA IDA FUNDS UNDER CREDIT 719EGT ARE NOT DISBURSED SEPARATELY FROM UNDP FUNDS AND ARE TREATED THE SAME. IF UNDP/BANK AGREE PROJECT WORK CAN SUCCESSFULLY BE PERFORMED USING LOCAL RESOURCES, THESE FUNDS CAN BE USED TO FINANCE LOCAL COSTS OF SPECIAL WORK UNDERTAKEN BY LOCAL AGENCIES. BANK FEELS THAT SINCE COMPETENT LOCAL EXPERTISE DOES EXIST IT IS PREFERABLE TO ENTERING INTO FOREIGN CONTRACTS AND SHOULD BE USED. WE MOST GRATEFUL UNDP OPINION ON THIS. BBB AS DISCUSSED WITH PROJECT COMANAGER, BANK WOULD NOT OBJECT TO REALLOCATING USDOLLARS 50,000 UNALLOCATED FUNDS UNDER CREDIT 719EGT TO INCREASE CONTRIBUTION TO PROJECT. SINCE ADDITIONAL FUNDS NEEDED FOR EQUIPMENT HOWEVER WE STRONGLY SUGGEST THAT EPADP BE REQUESTED TO PROCURE THIS EQUIPMENT UNDER THEIR STANDARD PROCEDURES FOR THIS PROJECT AND TRANSFER EQUIPMENT TO WATER MASTER PLAN AS PART OF GOVERNMENT IN KIND CONTRIBUTION. REGARDS NAYLOR/SMITH. INTBAFRAD

EGYPT - Water Master Plan

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cc: Messrs. M. Smith and Hodges

ter E. Naylor, Chief, EMPA4

Mr. Ahmed Fahmy
Chairman
Egyptian Public Authority for
Drainage Projects
5A El Goheiny Street
Dokki-Giza
Cairo, Egypt

Dear Mr. Fahmy:

Reference is made to your two letters of March 3, 1979, handed to Mr. Peter Naylor together with the four progress reports for the quarter ending December 31, 1978.

We have noticed that there are some discrepencies between the revised catchment areas given in the reports and the areas shown in the tables prepared on the basis of data furnished by Mr. Anis Neguib.

We will be grateful if you would kindly check these tables (copies attached) and after making the appropriate corrections, send them back to us. As we are mentioning in our letter of November 16, we are preparing new maps showing the areas under each project and we would like to be sure that these areas are the correct ones.

With kind regards.

Sincerely yours,

Paris Enonomides
Agricultura Division IV
Europe, Middle East and
North Africa Projects Department

Attachment

cc: Progress Report File

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Nile Delta Drainage II Project

Revised Project Areas

| | | | Catchment Area | Total | Area | | Open Drains | | | Remarks |
|----|----------|-----|----------------------|------------|-----------|-----------|-----------------------------------------|-----------|----------|----------------------|
| | | | | Appraisal | Proposed | Appraisal | | Appraisal | Proposed | |
| | Symbol | | | | | Feddan | ıs | | | |
| | Dymoor | A. | Eastern Delta | | | | | | | |
| | OE 4 | *** | Bahr Saft | 105,000 | 105,000 | 30,000 | 30,000 | | - | |
| | OE 5 | | Kassaby | 88,000 | 88,000 | 49,000 | 49,000 | | | |
| | OE 6 | | El Arim | 60,000 | 60,000 | 60,000 | 60,000 | | | |
| | OE 7 | | Bahr Saft Ext | 41,000 | | 41,000 | | 41,000 | | To be executed |
| | | | Daile Date Date | 41,000 | | 41,000 | | 41,000 | | under Dutch loan |
| | OE 8 | | Belbis | 20,000 | | 20,000 | | 20,000 | | Shifted |
| | 02 0 | | DEIDIS | 20,000 | | 20,000 | | 20,000 | | to Nile Delta I |
| | OE 9 | | Kharaka | 22,000 | 22,000 | 22,000 | 22,000 | | | to wife betta i |
| | OE 10 | | Nizam PS | 45,000 | 45,000 | 45,000 | 45,000 | 45,000 | 45,000 | |
| -1 | OE 11 | | El Aid | 28,000 | 28,000 | 28,000 | 28,000 | 28,000 | 28,000 | |
| | OE 12 | | Bany Ebid | 53,000 | 53,000 | 53,000 | 53,000 | 20,000 | | |
| | 05 12 | | Subtotal | 462,000 | 401,000 | 348,000 | 287,000 | 134,000 | 73,000 | - |
| | | | Subtotal | 402,000 | 401,000 | 340,000 | 207,000 | 134,000 | 73,000 | - |
| | | B | Middle Delta | | | | | | | |
| | IV | ь. | P.S. No. 5 | 25,000 | 75,000 | 25,000 | 75,000 | 25,000 | 75 000 | 50,000 fed |
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| | XII | | Mehalla El Kobra | 43,000 | 43,000 | 43,000 | 42,000 | 43,000 | 43,000 | |
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| | ONM 2 | | P.S. No 4 | 49,000 | 49,000 | 49,000 | 49,000 | | | |
| | | | Subtotal | 282,000 | 332,000 | 282,000 | 332,000 | 188,000 | 238,000 | |
| | | C. | Western Delta | | | | | | | |
| | XIII | - | Derawa | 15,000 | 15,000 | 15,000 | 15,000 | 15,000 | | Low priority, |
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| | XV | | Abu Hommos | 46,000 | 46,000 | 46,000 | 46,000 | 46,000 | 46,000 | |
| | OW 2 | | Troga | 105,000 | 105,000 | 43,000 | 43,000 | 40,000 | 40,000 | |
| | OW 3 | | Sidi Issa | 46,000 | 46,000 | | | | | |
| | OW 4 | | Sidi Issa Ext | | | 36,000 | 36,000 | | | |
| | X | | Shereshra | 30,000 | 30,000 | 30,000 | 30,000 | | | |
| | Α. | | Shereshra | | 29,000 | | | | 29,000 | Area shifted |
| | | | | | | | | | | from Nile |
| | | | Subtotal | 256,000 | 205 000 | 100 000 | 180,000 | 75 000 | 90 000 | Delta I |
| | | | Subtotal | 250,000 | 285,000 | 180,000 | 180,000 | 75,000 | 89,000 | |
| | | | TOTAL | 1,000,000 | 1,018,000 | 810,000 | 799,000 | 397,000 | 400,000 | |
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March 12, 1979

Dear Samir:

Attached is a copy of the proposed amendments to the Drainage Project Agreements which Bank staff have discussed with the Government. I am particularly pleased that the new monitoring and evaluation program is now underway. With such an enormous investment, it is vitally important that we all have a close reading on the effectiveness and impact of the drainage programs.

With best regards,

Sincerely yours,

Martijn J. Paijmans

Martijn J. W. M. Paijmans
Director
Country Programs Department 1
Europe, Middle East and North Africa Region

Attachment

Mr. Samir Koraiem
Undersecretary
Ministry of Economy, Foreign Trade
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8 Adly Street
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March 9, 1979

Mr. Ahmed Fahmy
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5A El Goheiny Street
Kokko-Giza
Egypt

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Dear Mr. Fahmy:

Re: Amendments to Project Agreements for (i) Nile Delta Drainage II Project, (ii) Upper Egypt Drainage II Project, and (iii) Upper Egypt Drainage Project

- 1. I refer to the discussions that the recent IDA/IBRD supervision mission has had with you regarding amendment to the following provisions of the Project Agreement for Nile Delta Drainage II Project:
 - (i) Section 2.06 re: evaluation of the effect of drainage works;
- (ii) Section 2.07 re: study of the ability of the beneficiaries of the drainage works to pay for the investment, operation and maintenance costs;
 - (iii) Section 3.03 re: training program; and
- (iv) Section 4.03 re: the establishment of the cost accounting system for the Authority.
- 2. In this connection, we propose the following amendments to the said sections and consequential amendments to other Project Agreements mentioned above:
- (i) "Section 2.06. (a) Except as the Association and the Bank shall otherwise agree, the Authority, in respect of selected areas, shall furnish to the Association and the Bank: (i) not later than February 28, 1979, an initial report, and thereafter, semiannual progress reports until December 31, 1980, on Authority's ongoing crash program for evaluating the effects of

completed drainage works under the Projects and other projects of the Borrower on crop yields; (ii) not later than February 29, 1980, an interim report on the said program; (iii) not later than February 28, 1981, a final report on the findings of the said program; (iv) not later than June 30, 1979, an initial report, and thereafter, semiannual reports until June 30, 1984, on the Authority's on-going long-range program for evaluating the effects of completed drainage works under the Projects and other projects of the Borrower on crop yields; and (v) not later than November 30, 1984, a final report on the findings of the said long-range program.

- "(b) Section 2.08 of the Project Agreement (Upper Egypt Drainage II Project) between the Bank, Association and the Authority of June 11, 1976, is amended to read as provided in Section 2.06 (a) of this Agreement."
- (ii) Section 2.07 is amended by deleting the date set forth therein and by substituting the date "December 31, 1979" therefor.
- (iii) "Section 3.03 (a) The Authority shall, as and when necessary, carry out training programs for its supervisors and technicians and the extension agents of the Ministry of Agriculture in drainage practices and maintenance. Prior to carrying out any such program the Authority shall furnish to the Association and the Bank the details thereof for their review and comments.
- "(b) Section 3.03 of the Project Agreement (Upper Egypt Drainage Project) between the Association and the Authority of June 8, 1973, and Section 3.03 of the Project Agreement (Upper Egypt Drainage II Project) between the Bank, the Association and the Authority of June 11, 1976, are each amended to read as provided in Section 3.03 of this Agreement."
- (iv) "Section 4.03. (a) The Authority shall, not later than December 31, 1979, or such other date as may be agreed between the Association, the Bank and the Authority, establish, and thereafter, maintain a cost accounting system, satisfactory to the Association, the Bank and the Authority, for its operations.
- "(b) Section 4.03 of the Project Agreement (Upper Egypt Drainage Project) between the Association and the Authority of June 8, 1973 and Section 4.03 of the Project Agreement (Upper Egypt Drainage II Project) between the Bank, the Association and the Authority of June 11, 1976, are each amended to read as provided in Section 4.03 of this Agreement."
- 3. If you agree with these proposals please signify your agreement by signing the attached copy of this letter and returning it to us.

4. In view of his interest in this matter, I am sending a copy of this letter to Mr. Samir Koraiem, Undersecretary of the Ministry of Economy, Foreign Trade and Economic Cooperation.

Sincerely yours,

Martijn J. W. M. Paijmans
Director, Country Programs I
Europe, Middle East and North Africa Region

Confirmed:

EGYPTIAN PUBLIC AUTHORITY FOR DRAINAGE PROJECTS

Authorized Representative

Date: 4/11/1979

cc: Mr. Samir Koraiem

FORM NO. 27-OCR WORLD BANK OUTGOING MESSAGE FORM (Telegram, Cable, Telex) IMPORTANT (PLEASE READ INSTRUCTIONS BELOW BEFORE TYPING FORM.) TELEX March 8, 1979 Class of Service: DELTATILE 74515 Originators Ext: Telex No. START HERE TO AHMED FAHMY, CHAIRMAN DELTATILE, CAIRO, EGYPT. RECREDIT/LOANS 719/1439-40-EGT AND YOURLET CITY/COUNTRY MESSAGE MARCH 3 WITH TENDER DOCUMENTS FOR PROCUREMENT 10,000 TONS REINFORCE-NO.: MENT STEEL BARS. IDA HAS NO OBJECTION TO YOUR ISSUANCE TENDER. YOU MAY WISH TO CONSIDER FOLLOWING POINTS: AAA CLARIFYING PARA 7 5 CHAPTER II ON DELAY IN DELIVERY BY USING SAME LANGUAGE AS IN SUGGESTED ADDENDUM OF TENDER FOR CEMENT. BBB POSTPONING DATE OF OPENING SINCE APRIL 10 SEEMS UNREALISTIC. A CLASSIFIED NOTICE FOR 9 THIS TENDER WILL BE SENT TO UN DEVELOPMENT FORUM. PLEASE FURNISH TWO COPIES OF THE TENDER DOCUMENTS AS ISSUED AND CABLE DATES OF 10 11 ADVERTISING AND BID OPENING. REGARDS NAYLOR INDEVAS 12 13 14 15 75 17 18 19 20 21 END OF TEXT 22 NOT TO BE TRANSMITT Cr./Loans 719/1439-40 EGYPT: PEconomides/mcg CLEARANCES AND COPY DISTRIBUTION Cleared and cc: Mr. Schwenneker(EMP) laylor Chief, EMPA4 cc: Messrs. Swayze(EM1), Hakim (CTR)

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Cleared and cc: Mr. SchwennekerCEMPMr. Peter Cr. Taylor .

cc: Messrs, Swayze (EM1) PILLI ... Chief, EMPAG

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The Egyptian Public Authority For Prainage Projects

5(a) Elgoheiny Street, Dokki, Giza. Chairman's Office

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Mr. Peter Naylor, Chief,
Agriculture Division IV,
EMENA Prjects Department,
International Development Association,
1818 H Street, N.W.,
Washington, D.C., 20433, U.S.A.

Re: Credit and Loans 719/1439/1440 EGT.

Dear Mr. Naylor:

Refference is made to Credit and Loans 719 /1439 /1440 EGT and your cable of January 8 th, 1979 approving the procurement of 10000 tons of reinforcement Steel Bars.

Enclosed please find two copies of the tender document for your reviewal.

Upon receipt of your comment or confirmation we shall issue the invitation for bidding.

With our kindest regards.

Sincerely yours,

Eng Ahmed Fanny

CHAIRMAN

 ARAB REPUBLIC OF EGYPT
EGYPTIAN PUBLIC AUTHORITY
FOR DRAINAGE PROJECTS
5 a Elgoheiny St. Dokki Giza
Cable Address: Deltatile Cairo.
Chairman's Office

Mr. Peter Naylor,
Chief Agriculture Division,
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Dear Mr Naylor,

Reference is made to your letter dated November 30,1978. Some points of this letter required this period of time in order to obtian the relevant data:

1- Maintenance:

The responsibility of maintenance of main drains serving areas already provided with tile drainage networks is already assigned to the Authority as from January 1, 1979.

Closer collaboration with the Extension Service has been realized, the training of extension agents covered the water management techniques, which include the proper application of irrigation water starting from the canal upto the drain. The Authority also advertised for the tender for the supply of extension equipment, bids are now under evaluation.

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2- Evaluation:

I am in full agreement about the importance of the evaluation of the drainage projects.

Since January 1, 1978, I put my full personal support for urging the drawing up of the evalution program. A new committee for evaluation was formed in April 1978. Since the committee convenes on regular sessions.

The Drainage Institute was requested to perform field research on the optimal depths of field drains in paddy and sugar cane fields, these are expected to be much less than the depth now applied, which was the result of investigations on the majority of other field crops prevailing in the Egyptian farm. The same institute was also requested to perform a study on the grading of gravel filter for the different types of soil. This study was completed and the results are now under evalution. Another study of the filter is now assigned to the Institute in order to investigate the following:

- Effect of the geometry on the functioning of the gravel filter.
- Testing of various types of synthetic and woven wraparound filters under the Egyptian environmental conditions, for possible adapting suitable types to be used with trenchless pipe laying machines.

3- Implementation of Tile Drainage Networks:-

Despite the efforts done throughout the year 1978 in various channels to raise the implementation rates, in view of which a much better result was anticipated, yet the drastic and fatal shortage of cement supplies

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from the Ministry of Housing during the second half of the year caused a lot harm, Thanks to the contract for supply of 75000 tons of cement, financed under credit 393 Egt, otherwise the drainage work could have been completely suspended for about six months. Measures were taken to avoid a similar situation, in future.

Faster conversion to plastic lateral pipes will secure the continuity of progress. I also hope that the concentrated measures taked in 1978 for the procurement of the further equipment will improve the progress as from the second half of 1979.

4- Nile Delta II Project :

- A) Pumping Stations:- Tender doucment were revised by the IDA and will be advertised during February 1979.
- B) Equipment for the Remodelling of open Drains:Tender documents for the supply of excavators and
 vahicles will be sent to IDA during February 1979
 for comment.
- C) In reply to our contracts, the KfW delegation is scheduled to arrive in Cairo in the near future for finalizing the agreement for financing the plastic pipe production units. In view of the meeting outcome, an application will be submitted to IDA to extend the date of signing the agreement upto the dated which will be fixed therefor.

5- Contract with Cincinnati Miclacron Co:-

Letter of credit for the supply and erection of the plastic pipe factories was opened during December 1978, immedicately after receiving the approval of the U.S.A. IfD to confirm the same.

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6- Gravel Crusheres:-

The study of the filter performed by the Drainage Institute as referred to herein above is now under evaluation by a committee assigned to this purpose.

The committee has recommended the measures to be taken to secure making the optimal benifit of the crusher.

7- Cost Accounting:-

The Authority advestised for permenent positions of cost accountants, 23 accountants were selected after the interview. These accountants will provide necessary accountancy information and data for the accountancy office which will be assigned by the Authority for organizing the cost accounting and for training the Authority's starf members.

rinally 1 like to express my thanks to you and to the members of your mission whise views were very helful and constructive.

With Kindest regards.

Sincerel Yours

Ahmed Fahmy

Chairman

EGT N 181 The Egyptian Public Authority For Drainage Projects EGT W 393 EUT MIRES Date March 4, 1979 AREMA AGRICULT RE DIVICION I Chief, Agriculture Division IV, Washington, D.C. 20433 Project Sec. Informed: Reference is made to your letter, crafted no lovember 1978 and the discussions with the Bank's Supervision mission during February 1978 regarding the overall drainage pro-Due to the shortage of cement the implementation rates were much harmed during the second half of 1978 . We do not foresee such problems in future, thanks to the fast in conversion to plastic pipes, but we agree to the total areas scheduled to be tile drained yearly as indicated in year proposed revised program (November 1978). A similar up-dating of the schedule for remodelling of open drains was also done, within close limits to Please find attached the proposed schedule for your With my best regards, Eng. Chairman

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Mr. Peter Naylor,

Dear Mr. Naylor,

gram in Egypt.

those proposed.

review and comment.

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EMENA Projects Dept., 1818 H. Street, N.W.,

Revised Drainage Fregram

February 1978

Areas in 000' Fedds

| * * | Completed upto 1978 | 1979 | 1980 | 1981 | 1982 | 1983 |
|--------------------------|---------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Remodelling Open Drains: | | | | | | /- |
| Nile Delta I | 909 | 36 | - | _ | - | _ |
| Upper Egypt I | 267 | 33 | - | _ | - | _ |
| Upper Egypt II | 159 | 174 | 130 | 130 | 27 | - |
| Nile Delta II | 70 | 120 | 250 | 360 | | |
| Sub Tetal | | 363 | 380 | 387 | | |
| Other | | 37 | 120 | 113 | | |
| Tetal | | 400 | 500 | 500 | | |
| dile Drainage:- | | - | 1 | | | |
| Nile Delta I | 734 | 170 | 46 | - | - | - |
| Upper Egypt I | 122 | 97 | 81 | _ | - | - |
| Upper Egypt II | 9 | 3 | 128 | 160 | 160 | 40 |
| Nile Delta II | - | - | 45 | 140 | 160 | 55 |
| Sub Tetal | | 270 | 300 | 300 | 320 | 95 |
| Other | | 30 | 20 | 20 | - | 225 |
| Tetal | | 300 | 320 | 320 | 320 | 320 |

Tile Drainage

Areas in 000' Fedds

| Period or Year | N: | ile Delta | 1 | Jpper | Egypt |
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| 70 - 74 | 250 | 6 | - | - | 131 |
| 75 | 80 | - | 11 | - | 33 |
| 76 | 133 | 19 | 34 | - | 14 |
| 77 | 144 | 20 | 45 | - | 16 |
| 78 | 130 | 15 | 37 | 9 | 4 |

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The Egyptian Public Authority For Drainage Projects

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Date March 3,1979

Mr. Peter Naylor, Chief, Agriuclture Division IV, EMENA Projects Dept., 1818 H. Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20433 U.S.A.

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Dear Mr. Naylor,

Reference is made to your Letter dated November 16,1978 and to the discussion with the Bank's mission in February, 1979 concerning the changes in the project area of Nile Delta I and II projects. The revised area and subsequent maps are included in the progress reports for the cuarter ending Dec., 31, 1978 for the two projects. A copy of each report is hereby enclosed.

As indicated in the report, the remodelling works already completed under, Nile Delta I project are still reported under the same project, despite the fact that the implementation of the tile drainage work for the same areas will be shifted to Nile Delta II. Project, e.g. P.S. No 5 catchment area in Mid-Delta and Shereshra P.S. catchment area. The remodelling of open drains for the new areas added under NDI Project is also included under the same Project. This resulted in the increase of the total open drain remodelling works under NDI Project to 945 000 Feddans, 104 000 feddan of which will be tile drained under NDII Project phase 1, and 61 000 feddans under NDII Project phase 2. This the remodelling works under NDI Project will be continued and completed during this year 1979.

Note-worthy stating, the remodelling works completed upto Dec., 31, 1978 in ND I Project amount to 909 000 feddans, i.e. exceed the 860 000 feddan already projected.

Eng. Ahmed

Chairman .

Ministry of Economy and Economic Cooperation

DOCUMENTS CR. - 719 EGT/1440 EGT

Mr. Koepp I.B.R.D. Washington D.C.

Cairo, March / , 1979

Re: Authorized Signature Credit 719 EGT Loans 1439 EGT & 1440 EGT (Nile Delta Drainage 11 Project).

Dear Mr. Koepp,

Reurtlx Jan 25, 1979 concerning the authorized persons designated to sign withdrawal applications of the above mentioned loans.

Please find enclosed herewith the specimen signature of Ministry of Health, the signatures of Drs: Al-Motaz Billah Mobarak Under-Secretary of State Ministry of Health and Dr. Osman Mahmoud El-Zimaity Executive Director, Upper Egypt Bilharzia Control Program.

FOR Ministry of Agriculture, the signatures of :

Meyer Mohamed Mahmoud El-Salhy First Under Secretary and Mr.

Ibrahim Imam El Ghatawary First Under Secretary of State

Ministry of Agriculture.

Best regards.

Samir Koraiem

Under Secretary

ARAB REPUBLIC OF EGYPT Ministry of Health Upper Egypt Bilharzia Control Program

Program Specimen Signatures

Those authorized to sign withdrawal applications Under the credits 393, Egypt, Credit/Loan 637/1285 Egypt

| No. | Name | Position | Signature |
|-----|------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|
| 1. | Dr. Al-Motaz-Billah Mobarak | Under-Secretary of State, Ministry of Health, Co-ordinator. | (Mahorall. |
| 2. | Dr. Osman Mahmoud El-Zimaity | Executive Director, Upper Egypt Bilharzia Control Program. | |

(Prof. Dr. M. Gabr), Minister of Health Arab Republic of Egypt

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Reference is made to Article V, Section 5.01., Para (c) (i) as amended of the Development Credit Agreement (Nile Delta Drainage II Project) Credit Number 719 EGT.

We wish to inform you that we have received a cable dated 13 / 2 / 1979 from KFW which reads: " Drainage Project Nile Delta II please be informed that we expect in near future our government decision on our appraisal report and proposal for DM 100 million loan ".

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With our kindest regards,

Sincerely yours,

Eng. Ahmed Fahmy,

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Mr. Peter E. Naylor Chief Agriculuture Division IV Europe, Middle East and North Africa Projects Department

Dear Mr: Naylor

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TO: Mr. Hans-Eberhard Kopp, Chief, EM1A

FROM: Franz Heidhues, Acting Chief, EMPA4

SUBJECT: EGYPT - Amendment of Project Agreement for the Nile Delta Drainage II Project DATE: January 26, 1979

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

TO Mr. P. Economides (EMP)

January 18, 1979 DATE

FROM: Raj Krishna (LEG) ' GAL

SUBJECT EGYPT: Amendment of Project Agreements Relating to Drainage Projects

Attached is the draft letter amending the various Project Agreements relating to Drainage Projects. If you approve the text you may have it cleared by others directly.

Prior to the dispatch of this letter, a memorandum setting forth the reasons for amending the Project Agreements should be addressed to the senior management and their approval taken.

The Executive Directors should be informed of the amendments through the semi-monthly report.

cc: Mr. Swayze

DRAFT RKrishna:mr January 18, 1979

Mr. Ahmed Fahmy Chairman Egyptian Public Authority for Drainage Projects 5A El Goheiny Street Dokko-Giza Egypt

> Re: Amendments to Project Agreements for (i) Nile Delta Drainage II Project, (ii) Upper Egypt Drainage II Project, and (iii) Upper Egypt Drainage Project

Dear Mr. Fahmy:

- 1. I refer to the discussions that the recent IDA/IBRD supervision mission has had with you regarding amendment to the following provisions of the Project Agreement for Nile Delta Drainage II Project:
 - (i) Section 2.06 re: evaluation of the effect of drainage works;
- (ii) Section 2.07 re: study of the ability of the beneficiaries of the drainage works to pay for the investment, operation and maintenance costs;
 - (iii) Section 3.03 re: training program; and
- (iv) Section 4.03 re: the establishment of the cost accounting system for the Authority.
- 2. In this connection, we propose the following amendments to the said sections and consequential amendments to other Project Agreements mentioned above:
- (i) "Section 2.06. (a) Except as the Association and the Bank shall otherwise agree, the Authority, in respect of selected areas, shall furnish to the Association and the Bank: (i) not later than February 28, 1979, an initial report, and thereafter, semiannual progress reports until December 31, 1980, on Authority's ongoing crash program for evaluating the

effects of completed drainage works under the Projects and other projects of the Borrower on crop yields; (ii) not later than February 29, 1980, an interim report on the said program; (iii) not later than February 28, 1981, a final report on the findings of the said program; (iv) not later than June 30, 1979, an initial report, and thereafter, semiannual reports until June 30, 1984, on the Authority's on-going long-range program for evaluating the effects of completed drainage works under the Projects and other projects of the Borrower on crop yields; and (v) not later than November 30, 1984, a final report on the findings of the said long-range program.

- "(b) Section 2.08 of the Project Agreement (Upper Egypt Drainage II
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- (ii) Section 2.07 is amended by deleting the date set forth therein and by substituting the date "December 31, 1979" therefor.
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- 4. In view of his interest in this matter, I am sending a copy of this letter to Mr. Samir Koreim, Undersecretary of the Ministry of Economy and International Cooperation.

Sincerely yours,

Martijn Paijmans Director, Country Programs I Europe, Middle East and North Africa Regional Office

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MR. SAMIR KORAIEM, UNDERSECRETARY. ALPHA MR. HERMAN VAN DER TAK, DIRECTOR, PROJECTS ADVISORY STAFF, WOULD LIKE TO JOIN PART TIME SEVERAL SUPERVISION MISSIONS PLANNED FOR FEBRUARY AND ALREADY AGREED WITH YOU TO FAMILIARIZE HIMSELF WITH ONGOING PROJECTS. IN PARTICULAR, HE WOULD LIKE TO ATTEND SOME DISCUSSIONS OF MISSIONS FOR DRAINAGE, SOHAG-MINUFIYA AND POPULATION AND TIME PERMITTING FOR DIB AND WATER MASTER PLAN. HE WOULD NOT REQUIRE ANY SEPARATE PROGRAM BUT WOULD LARGELY FOLLOW PROGRAM OF ABOVE MISSIONS. HE WOULD OF COURSE APPRECIATE BRIEF MEETING WITH YOU. MR. VAN DER TAK IS PLANNING TO ARRIVE CAIRO SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 4, AND TO LEAVE THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 15. BETA WOULD LIKE TO CONFIRM MY ARRIVAL CAIRO ON FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 2, AT 1520 HOURS BY TW800. PLAN TO LEAVE THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 8 MORNING. MAIN FOCUS MY MISSION WILL BE FOLLOW UP ON BANK/IDA OPERATIONAL PROGRAM. THEREFORE HIGHLY APPRECIATE AMPLE TIME WITH YOU TO DISCUSS DETAIL OF NEW PROJECT STATUS REPORT BEING HANDCARRIED BY / c

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VERY MUCH FORWARD TO SEEING YOU, BEST REGARDS, KOEPP,

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23rd January, 1979

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Dear Paris,

Bilharzia Control Programs in Egypt - Maintenance and Expansion.

Thank you for the copy of your office memorandum of January 8th. It raises the issue of on-going maintenance of the existing control programme in Middle Egypt and the one in Upper Egypt which is now beginning. I note that you have calculated the quantities of molluscicide required until 1985 for Upper Egypt Projects I and II on the basis of reduced applications from 1980 onwards, and similarly for the Upper Egypt (now Delta II) Project from 1982-87. I certainly hope that a reduction in the number of annual applications can be made and that the programmes will be consolidated on the basis of the reduced number of treatments. I think that it is very unlikely, however, that it will be possible to reduce below two applications per annum because of the relatively slow delivery of chemotherapy and the possibility, therefore, that re-infections will persist if snail populations are allowed to increase in size to any extent. On the other hand, we should expect that substantial coverage of the infected population will have been achieved before 1981 and it may be possible to minimise the snail control effort in that event.

I believe that the cost of Bayluscide is likely to escalate considerably and I think that we should certainly look at the question of replacing it with Mollutox if production can be assured. It may be, of course, that we can negotiate a special price structure for Bayluscide for this very substantial order and I feel a determined attempt should be made to do this.

The latest information is that a new drug which is highly effective in the treatment of <u>S. mansoni</u>, may be available in the mid-1980s - but again we have no idea, at present, what this will cost and I think that a special price consession should be sought! This has been achieved for another expensive drug currently in use in Brazil but produced by another company.

The Egyptian "inistry of Health, and certainly Dr. Mobarak, are very keen to place emphasis on chemotherapy but I very much doubt whether adequate control can be achieved at the present levels of prevalence, without integrated measures involving the application of molluscicide.

I hope that we may have the opportunity of discussing these very important issues in the forseeable future.

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Yours sincerely,

Dr. G. Webbe.

Scientific Director.

c.c. Dr. J.A. Lee.

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SUBJECT: Forthcoming Supervision Mission to Egypt and Imag

Attached please find a list of points that I intend to discuss with Government officials during my supervision mission to Taypt and Ir

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FROM. Paris Economides, ECPA4

cc: Messrs. Rehman (EIP) and Sands (EIP)

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EGYPT - Superviolen Mission February 1979

Main Points for Idecussion

A. Ongoing Dradnage Projects - DPALP

- 1. Tender for pumping stations under Nile Delta II Project

 (Solution selected for pumping station Meballs-F1-Fobra, issuing of tender, preparation of tenders for electrical transmission lines and for replacement pumps for pumping stations Bahr Saft and Kessaby.)
- 2. Results tender for procurement of 75,000 tons cement.
- 3. Preparation of tender for procurement of draglines and excavators under Nile Delta II Project.
- 4. Preparation of tendar for procurement of vehicles under Upper Egypt II Project (see attached list).
- 5. Tender for procurement of steel bars under Nile Delta II Project.
- 6. Results of tests of PVC compound procured from Romania.
- 7. Issuing of tender for the installation of field drainage under Upper Egypt II Project.
- 8. Delivery of cement from Romania.
- 9. Progress with the procurement of machinery for the TVC pipe factories under Upper Egypt II Project (financed by USAID). Supplementary tenders for the above factories.
- 10. Revision of overall drainage program.
- 11. Revision equipment lists.

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- 12. Revised project areas.
- 13. Maintenance of open drains.
- 14. Audit report (1977).
- 15. Progress with the establishment of cost accounting system.
- 16. Arrangements made for the use of gravel crushers.
- 17. Progress with the installation of machinery in the three pumping station workshops.
- 18. Progress with cost recovery. Bonus for collectors.
- 19. Progress with soil amelioration study (preliminary report expected end of November, field investigation to be completed end of February).
- 20. Need for systematic monitoring of drainage discharge data in all drainage pumping stations and presentation in an annual report.
- 21. Letter requesting amendment of section 5.01(c) of Development Credit Agreement Nile Delta II Project.

B. Fruit and Venetables Project

- 1. Progress with the ongoing contracts of Main Nuberiya Drain (les 0-7.8).
- 2. Results of tender for Main Mubariya Drain (k. 28.4-67.7).
- 3. Preparation of tender for the remaining part of the Main Kulariya Brain (km 7.8-28.4).
- 4. Progress with the design of the outfall structure of the Main Nuberiya Drain.
- Progress with the design and preparation of tender documents for the remodeling of the main open drains in the seed farm.
- 6. Field drainage in the seed farm. (Design criteria, need for a pilot drainage schame, arrangements for design, execution and monitoring. Role of FAO/UNDP Project. Financing.)
- 7. Rehabilitation of the irrigation system of the seed farm. (Progress with design, preparation of tender documents. Supervision of execution and financing.)
- 8. Lining of the Nasr Canal. (Progress with Halerow Report)
- 9. Maintenance of irrigation and drainage works in the seed farm.
- 10. Organizational aspects (Persunhur Unit, engineering section in the farm, improvement of irrigation practices.)

C. Agricultural Development Project

- 1. Arrangements made for preparation of design for the pilot irrigation scheme in Menufiya (recruitment of consultant, responsible agency for design, tender, execution, preparatory works, arrangements with Rural Electrification Authority, etc.)
- 2. Organization of farmers for collective irrigation.
- 3. Arrangements for the conitoring and evaluation.
- 4. Procurement of pump units. (Selection of size and type, organization of maintenance and operation, preparation of tender documents.)
- 5. Electrification of water pumps. (Preparation of design for electric transmission lines. Tender documents for the procurement of materials.)
- 6. Preparation of tenders for the procurement of farm machinery (including repair facilities).
- 7. Arrangements for training of tractor operators.
- 8. Preparatory works for the establishment of experimental mechanized farms. (Shandawell Station and location in Manufiya to be determined.)

IRAQ - Espervision Mission February 1979

Main Points for Discussion

Land Redistribution: An early Government decision on the distribution of the reclaimed lands to the farmers is necessary so that the farmers could participate in the leaching and farming. Actual distribution should be limited on those lands that can reasonably sustain irrigated agriculture. It should be noted that leaching without farming may serve no useful purpose as on certain lands calts may by capillary action return to the surface if lands are left without cultivation.

Progress of Work

- (a) <u>K3 Contract</u> (6,700 ha). Problems: Shortage of cement and compensation of landowners for site of pumping plant North Rashidya and feeder canal. Area reclaimed (irrigation, land leveling, drainage, leaching). Expected completion date.
- (b) K2 Contract (24,900 ha). Problems: Mobilization of equipment (lining machines) and shortage of labor (Pakistanis). Area reclaimed. Expected completion date.
- (c) <u>K1 Contract</u> (14,300 ha). Problems: Mobilization of equipment (lining machines), delays in the completion of concrete batching plants. Area reclaimed. Expected completion date.
- 3. <u>Buildings and Housing for KAA Headquarters</u>: Proposal to use the contractor's camps in K1 and K2 areas, and the consultant's office in K3 area. Doubtful if the temporary office facilities in K3 will be satisfactory.

- 4. Experimental Farm: Issuance of tender for buildings.
- 5. <u>Drainage Engineer:</u> T.O.R. Tasks: Determine design criteria,

 (gravel envelope, depth, drainage needs of rice fields). Develop monitoring
 and evaluation systems. Assist in the organization of maintenance.
- 6. Field Trials: Need to extend cropping trials in representative areas for demonstration purposes. An increase in strength of the agriculture staff of KAA and the recruitment of an agronomist by the consultant are required for this purpose.
- 7. Farm Mechanization: Selection of suitable machinery and establishment of repair facilities. Training of farm operators and mechanics (training program, instructors, overall responsibilities).
- 8. <u>Irrigation Methods</u>: Investigate the need for applying sprinkler irrigation in areas where land leveling is difficult.
- 9. <u>Derhbandi Khan Dem</u>: Bank wishes to receive copies of the consultant's reports on the dam stability.
- 10. <u>Progress Reports:</u> Last progress report received November 11, 1978.

 Government is requested to instruct the consultant to send copies of his progress reports to the Eank.

WORLD BANK / INTERNATIONAL FINANCE CORPORATION OFFICE MEMORANDUM TO Mr. P. Economides (EMP) DATE: L Cit FROM: Raj Krishna (LEG) SUBJECT: EGYPT: Amendment of Project Agreements Relating to Drainage Projects Attached is the draft letter amending the various Project Agreements relating to Drainage Projects. If you approve the text you may have it cleared by others directly. Prior to the dispatch of this letter, a memorandum setting forth the reasons for amending the Project Agreements should be addressed to the senior management and their approval taken. The Executive Directors should be informed of the amendments through the semi-monthly report. cc: Mr. Swayze

DRAFT RKrishna:mr January 18, 1979

Mr. Ahmed Fahmy Chairman Egyptian Public Authority for Drainage Projects 5A El Goheiny Street Dokko-Giza Egypt

Re: Amendments to Project Agreements for
(i) Nile Delta Drainage II Project,
(ii) Upper Egypt Drainage II Project,
and (iii) Upper Egypt Drainage Project

Dear Mr. Fahmy:

- 1. I refer to the discussions that the recent IDA/IBRD supervision mission has had with you regarding amendment to the following provisions of the Project Agreement for Nile Delta Drainage II Project:
 - (i) Section 2.06 re: evaluation of the effect of drainage works;
- (ii) Section 2.07 re: study of the ability of the beneficiaries of the drainage works to pay for the investment, operation and maintenance costs;
 - (iii) Section 3.03 re: training program; and
- (iv) Section 4.03 re: the establishment of the cost accounting system for the Authority.
- 2. In this connection, we propose the following amendments to the said sections and consequential amendments to other Project Agreements mentioned above:
- (i) "Section 2.06. (a) Except as the Association and the Bank shall otherwise agree, the Authority, in respect of selected areas, shall furnish to the Association and the Bank: (i) not later than February 28, 1979, an initial report, and thereafter, semiannual progress reports until December 31, 1980, on Authority's ongoing crash program for evaluating the

effects of completed drainage works under the Projects and other projects of the Borrower on crop yields; (ii) not later than February 29, 1980, an interim report on the said program; (iii) not later than February 28, 1981, a final report on the findings of the said program; (iv) not later than June 30, 1979, an initial report, and thereafter, semiannual reports until June 30, 1984, on the Authority's on-going long-range program for evaluating the effects of completed drainage works under the Projects and other projects of the Borrower on crop yields; and (v) not later than November 30, 1984, a final report on the findings of the said long-range program.

- "(b) Section 2.08 of the Project Agreement (Upper Egypt Drainage II Project) between the Bank, Association and the Authority of June 11, 1976, is amended to read as provided in Section 2.06(a) of this Agreement."
- (ii) Section 2.07 is amended by deleting the date set forth therein and by substituting the date "December 31, 1979" therefor.
- (iii) "Section 3.03. (a) The Authority shall, as and when necessary, carry out training programs for its supervisors and technicians and the extension agents of the Ministry of Agriculture in drainage practices and maintenance. Prior to carrying out any such program the Authority shall furnish to the Association and the Bank the details thereof for their review and comments.
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 - (iv) "Section 4.03. (a) The Authority shall, not later than June 30,

1979, or such other date as may be agreed between the Association, the Bank and the Authority, establish, and thereafter, maintain a cost accounting system, satisfactory to the Association, the Bank and the Authority, for its operations.

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Sincerely yours,

Martijn Paijmans Director, Country Programs I Europe, Middle East and North Africa Regional Office

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cc: Messrs. Sands(EMP) and Rehman(EMP)

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

10: Mr. Peter E. Naylor, Chief, EMPA4

FROM: Paris Economides MMPA4

SUBJECT: Bilharzia Control Programs in Egypt - Maintenance and Expansion

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- 1. The Bilharzia Control Program under Upper Egypt Drainage I and II Projects will be completed by the end of 1979, while the program under Nile Delta Drainage II Project will be completed by the end of 1981. But, in order to maintain the good results already obtained and to prevent the infestation of Upper Egypt with <u>Biomphalaria alexandrina</u>, the snail host of <u>S. Mansoni</u>, it is essential that adequate provision be made for continuity of Bilharzia control measures in the project areas beyond the operational period.
- 2. In the Credit Agreement (Nile Delta II), in section 3.11, it is stated that "The Borrower shall, after completion of the Bilharzia control programs, review, on a continuing basis, the effectiveness of the said program and take such measures as shall be necessary on its part (including the provision of funds required therefor) to ensure the continuation, until December 31, 1997, of the measures for the control of Bilharzia in the areas referred to under Part E(i) of the project, unless the Borrower and the Association shall otherwise agree." However, taking into account the foreign exchange constraints and other difficulties, I believe that the Ministry of Health, left alone, will probably be unable to comply with this requirement. This means that if assistance is not forthcoming, there is a risk that the situation will return to the point at which it was before the initiation of the program and all previous efforts and investments 1/ will have been in vain.
- As is shown in the attached table, the total quantity of molluscicide required for the ongoing program and for the maintenance period until the end of 1987 is estimated at 2,300 tons. A quantity of about 400 tons is available in stores in Egypt and an order for 600 tons has already been placed with funds provided under the Nile Delta II project. Therefore, the additional quantity of molluscicide required for the maintenance program is about 1,200 tons, representing a cost in foreign currency of about US\$20 million. Concerning the drug for chemotherapy (metrifonate), it is estimated that about 60,000 additional boxes will be required during the maintenance period representing a cost of about US\$2 million. It is concluded that the foreign cost for carrying out the maintenance programs in Upper Egypt starting mid 1981 until end of 1987, is about US\$28 million, including US\$6 million for contingencies.

^{1/} Bank's contribution until now to the Bilharzia Control Program in Egypt amounts to US\$23.4 million.

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- 4. The expansion of the Bilharzia Control Program in the Delta is another natter that needs thorough examination. Two factors should be taken into account: the high density of population in the Delta with high infection rate and the presence of the <u>S. Mansoni</u>. The high density of population will require a multiple effort to organize and carry out successfully the snail control and chemotherapy programs, while the presence of <u>S. Mansoni</u> will mean that a drug other than metrifonate will have to be used as the latter is not effective in treating this parasite. I heard from Dr. Webbe that Bayer is now producing a new drug, suitable for the treatment of <u>S. Mansoni</u>, but at a much higher cost than the metrifonate. In view of these difficulties I think that we should, for the time being, concentrate our efforts in the maintenance of the Bilharzia program in Upper Egypt, and the decision for financing the expansion of the program in the Delta should be postponed for later.
- 5. The maintenance of the Bilharzia Control Program in Upper Egypt could be financed as follows:
 - (a) Through a separate Bilharzia control Bank project, for the amount of US\$28 million (including contingencies). The project should be appraised early 1980 in order for it to become effective early 1981.
 - (b) Through the Nile Delta Drainage I project, scheduled for appraisal June 1980.
 - (c) Through a bilateral aid program. Since both molluscicide and the drug are W. German products, the logical step is to ask the German Government to participate in the financing of the project. However, as far as I know there was no response to previous attempts.
 - (d) By replacing imported molluscicide with locally produced Mollolox. Mollolox, which is similar to the Baylicide product, is now being manufactured in small quantities by a local chemical firm. If it proves in the near future to be efficacious and if assurances can be obtained that the firm can produce the quantities required, then Mollolox could be an attractive solution for the maintenance of the Bilharzia programs because the foreign cost for molluscicide will be reduced to 50% (representing the cost for primary chemicals to be imported).
- 6. I am prepared to discuss the above issues with Dr. Mobarak, Undersecretary of the Ministry of Health, during my next visit to Egypt in February. However, it may be necessary to invite Dr. Mobarak later to Washington, together with our consultant Dr. Webbe, to discuss the whole Bilharzia program with Bank officials and to make appropriate decisions as to future action.
- cc: Messrs. ffrench-Mullen (EMP), Heidhues (EMP), Sands (EMP), Relman (EMP), Köpp (EM1) Swayze (EM1), Lee (PAS), Liese (PAS), Golladay (PAS), and Dr. Webbe (London)

ARAB REPUBLIC OF EGYPT

BILHARZIA CONTROL PROGRAM (UPPER EGYPT)

Foreign Exchange Cost for Maintenance Phase

Calendar Year

| Details | 1 1979 | 1980 | 1981 | 1982 | 1983 | 1984 | 1985 | 1986 | 1987 | Total |
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| Snail Control Treatments | 3 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | |
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| Amount of Baylocide available | 470 | 380 | 150 | 390 | - | - | - | - | - | 1,000 |
| Additional Baylocide required | | - | 230 | 310 | 220 | - 220 | 160 | 70 | 70 | 1,280 |
| Cost US \$ (prices end 1978) | | - | 3,680,000 | 4,960,000 | 3,520,000 | 3,520,000 | 2,560,000 | 1,120,000 | 1,120,000 | 20,480,000 |
| Drag (Metrofonate) | | | | 11/1/20 | | | | | | |
| Total Boxes additional required | - | - | 15,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 5,000 | 5,000 | 5,000 | | 60,000 |
| Cost US \$ (prices end 1978) | | | 450,000 | 300,000 | 300,000 | 300,000 | 150,000 | 150,000 | 150,000 | -1,800,000 |
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Mr. Peter E. Naylor,
Chief, Agriculture Division IV
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Projects Department,
1818 H. Street,
N.W., Washington, D.C. 20433, U.S.A.

Dear Mr, Naylor,

Thank you for your congratulations for my appointment as Director of the Drainage Research Institute, in your letter dated November 22, 1978. I would like to take the opportunity also to Congratulate you for the New year.

The reports of the Dutch - Egyptian Panel meetings are sent to you in a separate cover, Titles are written as attached. I hope these reports will be helpful to the Bank Staff. Future Publications shall be sent to your office too.

Concerning the criteria used for effective depth or the dewatering zone (1.0 m or 80 cm). I agree with you and as I mentioned to your staff that this creteria should be reviewed and modified from the agronomic and economic point of view to give the optimum requirements. We are starting a field layout construction at Shereshera area (200 feddans) near Damanhour City, where different depths of 1.00 - 1.25 - 1.30 - 1.40 - 1.50 - 1.60 meter are planned-for this purpose (those depths represent light soil conditions.

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Similary it is planned to consider the same creteria under heavy soil conditions. We are planning now Bahr Saft Area at Sharkia Governorate for this purpose.

I hope when you come to Cairo you can visit these two areas and discuss more about this creteria.

The second question is the gravel filter or gravel envelopes for field drains. This question is one of the main tasks of the Drainage Research Institute. As you know a decision was taken before by the Ministry that in areas where the clay content is 40 % or more no filter is needed. Most of literatature is in favour of such creteria, however my personnel view coincide completely of what you mentioned that gravel envelops increase the hydraulic efficiency of field drains, and this is needed in clay soils rather than in light soils. For this reason I am including also the field tests at Shereshera area, the study of gravel filters. This also should be applied to Bahr Saft area(heavy soils).

I made already a grading curves for gravel filter to be used by EPADP in the Delta Area and Upper Egypt, (copy is inclosed) This is based on a long study for actual soil samples (about 1000 sample) However a better refinement is needed from our experimental field.

As you know EPADP have 9 crushers now, and use will be made of these grading curves.

Concerning the thesis of Dr. Hussan Aly Kedr thesis about drainage. I am sorry to say that up to this moment .

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I have no chance to study it. However I assure you that I will do my best to send you my comments on this.

Again I am sorry for my delayed letter and I am sure you will forgive me $\ensuremath{\bullet}$

With my best regards,

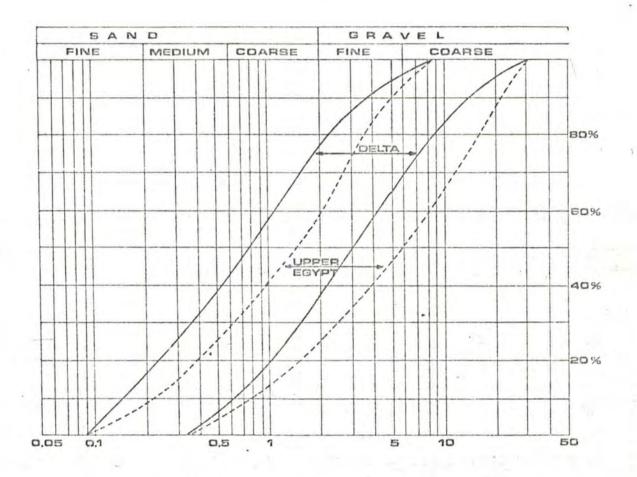
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Dr. Almontaz Mobarak Undersecretary of Health Ministry of Health Cairo, Egypt

Re: Nile Delta Drainage II Project
Plan of Operation Bilharzia Control

Dear Dr. Mobarak:

Reference is made to the Plan of Operation of the Bilharzia control program under the Nile Delta Drainage II project, handed to Mr. Economides during his last mission to Egypt.

We have reviewed this document and found it satisfactory. The plan contains all relevant data concerning the project area, the control strategy, the organization and infra-structure for the control measures and their evaluation. On this occasion we would like once more to emphasize the need to give high priority to the evaluation procedures outlined in the plan.

With the submission of the plan of operation we consider the government obligation mentioned in Section 3.07 of the Development Credit Agreement, been fulfilled.

With kind regards,

Sincerely yours,

Franz Heidhues
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EGYPT - Introductory Visit Back-to-Office Report December 20, 1978

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Following are notes on discussions held during a relatively brief trip to Egypt, from November 13 to 23. In addition to a broad EGT. Cn, 830 range of introductory meetings that Paul Blay guided me through, I followed up on two main project issues concerning the Cairo Museum component of the proposed tourism project and the status of the rural development project. I was also able to cover a number of other items, some of which are briefly mentioned below. I have omitted information on several specific projects, because there were project missions in the field and such information would be included in their respective back-to-office reports. Except for the Minister of Culture, I did not attempt to see any of the Ministers since Mr. Paijmans was seeing them in meetings concurrent to my visit.

Tourism Project

- Cairo Museum Component. In a meeting with the Minister of Culture and Dr. Victor Girgis (Deputy Director of the Department of Antiquities), I carefully explained the Bank position. I pointed out that in view of existing arrangements that subsist between the Government and consultants to carry out certain tasks including the design and construction works relating to the Cairo Museum, the Bank could not provide funding for the museum in the proposed project. In order for the Bank to finance design and construction work, therefore, the Government's arrangements with the consultants would have to be modified by mutual agreement to authorize other persons to submit design proposals and to open construction works to competitive bidding. The Minister said he was very disappointed with the consultants who had not done what they said they would do, including not using the services of Mr. Pei to work on a design proposal. He said it was clear that the consultants had not lived up to their part of the agreement. He directed Dr. Girgis to draft for his signature whatever letter was appropriate to relieve the consultants of their responsibilities. The Minister said he would send us a copy of this letter. He then discussed the possibility of getting assistance from UNESCO to fund the design work. He hoped Egyptian engineers could be used as much as possible to help cut costs; although he recognized the need for foreign consultants. I raised the possibility of using the PPF if funding becomes a problem.
- In view of the Minister's very strong and explicit interest in having the Bank include assistance for the Cairo Museum in the project, I said that we would proceed to develop a proposal for internal review, which could be done before the more formal work on design proposals had been completed. I stated, however, that the timing was very tight, and that the Bank's management had decided that the rest of the tourism project should not be delayed. Therefore, we would need confirmation by the middle of January 1979, at the latest, that the Covernment was

able to make the necessary modification of the protocol agreement.

- In addition, I outlined four assurances that we would seek, saying that we believed these were important and that he should fully understand we would need Government approval of these points at negotiations before we could proceed. I told him that I recognized there might be a particular problem for the Government to give assurances with regard to maintaining the current museum collection intact for an extended period; however, I pointed out the importance of the objective (to continue to draw the public to the Cairo Museum) and its relation to project investment, returns, etc. The Minister did not see this as a problem: the Cairo Museum's central location would insure its future claim to have "important" collections, and the building and completion of any possible second, competing museum was bound to be far in the future.
- 5. The Minister indicated that some action had been taken on the issue of bus lanes and pedestrian access to the museum, and he directed Dr. Girgis to check on the current status of this. Similarly, he responded positively to the Bank's interest in strengthening the organization and management of the museum and the development of an orderly plan for the source and use of funds of the Antiquities Organization.
- 6. Washington Action. Once we have completed a preliminary Bank review of the proposed Museum component, we should write the Minister confirming our understanding on the above points.
- Other Components of the Project. With Hamed Abdel Meguid and his staff we reviewed the status of the remainder of the project. We discussed the timetable, emphasizing the importance of moving ahead now on certain items to prepare for negotiations; the proposed mid-February date for negotiations was acceptable. He believed that the new Governorate would be elected (or appointed) within the next 2-3 weeks, not later; and in any case, he did not think it would be difficult getting decisions on the municipal project components. In particular we discussed the very difficult job of coordinating the various and diverse project components, and the consequent need for a very effective inter-ministerial committee that had the necessary authority to get things done. He also said that the Government had included LE 7 million in the 1979 budget, which was waiting to be approved. We indicated that for these purposes, the Bank's invitation to negotiate should be sufficient to getting the Government to make these funds available, if they are needed before the project becomes effective.
- 8. In discussing the need to proceed with developing a management framework for the hotel in Luxor, I also saw (separately) the EGOTH Chairman, Mr. Garrawani. Both the Chairman and Meguid emphasized the proposed by-laws that should make the public sector more competitive, freeing management of Government restrictions (especially the current salary ceilings). In view of this, the Chairman, who is responsible for working out a new management framework for the hotel, believed that

only limited assistance from overseas would be necessary. He said it would not be politically acceptable to have foreign management; it would be, however, helpful to have foreign technical assistance for hotel operations.

9. — Washington Action. The Chairman of EGOTH requested that the Bank send a letter outlining the timing, types, and number of technical consultants that we would recommend, and possible sources for such assistance. (Since the hotel training school, adjacent to the Luxor Hotel, is being assisted by German consultants, the Government might want to consider the possibility of German management assistance for the Hotel.)

Status of the Rural Development Project

- 10. After meeting with the Deputy Minister of the former Ministry of Local Government and several times with representatives of ORDEV, I hope some more progress has been made toward developing a rural development project for Bank assistance. The following points emerged: (a) the Government very much would like Bank assistance for a rural development project along the lines of the existing project proposal, although perhaps on a more modest scale than originally proposed; (b) the Government has not moved ahead to work specifically on the proposed feasibility study because it has been involved in a socio-economic survey which it believes should provide virtually all the information that will be required for such a study; and (c) the Government in the future will need, and acknowledges the need, for continued Bank assistance to help develop a project proposal. The Government is committed to doing as much of the preparation work itself as possible under the supervision of people who do not appear very experienced in project preparation work. This situation will continue to place a substantial burden on Bank staff; but in view of the importance of rural development, I believe we should persist.
- We tried to convince the Deputy Minister that it would 11. be all right -- and was not his Ministry's concern-- to use World Bank money to fund technical assistance activities and project components that were not directly revenue producing. However, I suspect he still views the use of borrowed money in very restrictive terms. (Mr. Koraiem said he would follow up and brief the Deputy Minister on the use of Bank/IDA assistance.) I also emphasized (with the staff) the need for information additional to what was being collected by the socio-economic survey now in progress. The survey will produce a very interesting information base (see Appendix 2 for a summary of the Government's survey), much of which can be used in the preparation of the feasibility study. Nevertheless, the Government will still need to study the costs and benefits of ORDEV's current projects and additional projects, along the lines proposed by the terms of reference for the feasibility study. I emphasized that this additional work should start now without delay; it could be done while the other study was being completed. Professor Salem, a consultant from the Institute of National Planning in charge of the Government survey, agreed.

- 12. Mr. Sabet, who is responsible for developing the project under ORDEV, agreed when I left to the following actions:
- (i) Review the requirements for project preparation that are included in the "ORDEV Request for Consultant Proposals for Project Preparation Assistance," and, in light of work currently underway, determine exactly what additional work will need to be done.
- (ii) Decide how and when this additional work will be done, e.g. what type of outside consultants are needed, and how the work will be funded.
- (iii) Determine the estimated project size (area covered etc.); a proposal for Bank assistance should not be smaller than about US\$12 to 14 million or \$7 million in foreign exchange.
- (iv) Send to the Bank the above information, specifying how and when the project preparation work will be completed and a rough estimate of project coverage.

I reviewed these steps with Mr. Koraiem who said he would follow up with the Deputy Minister, Mr. Zam Zam.

13. — Washington Action. Follow-up with a letter to ORDEV in December/January if no cable or letter is received, covering the above points.

West Nubariya Project

- I discussed the progress on project preparation of West Nubariya with the ULG team leader Michael Rayner. They started work October 4; they will have an interim report ready next February/March, setting out alternative approaches; and the final report should be ready by the end of July 1979. In addition to project design work, the Egyptian Government has asked them to write a separate report on possible funding sources for the various components.
- They estimate the gross area involved is about 100,000 feddans. They have found some of the soils are not very good. Tentatively they believe forage crops, vegetables, oil seeds, cereals and pulses may be grown; the main crop would be sugar beet, to be grown once every 3 years in the winter season. Thus, central to the project design are plans for a sugar factory, probably on the scale of 5,000 tons of beet per day, the minimum economic size being about 3,000 tons/day.
- 16. In the past, the Government had talked in terms of mechanized large-scale farming, but earlier this year (about April), the Government talked about settling small farmers in the area. The investment in a sugar factory requires a reliable supply source and experience in other countries indicates that the best way to insure this is to include large-scale estates in the project area in order to guarantee a minimum level of sugar production on a timely basis; these supplies could be supplemented by small holder output.

- 17. The ULG group is also reviewing designs for small-scale settlement—income levels, village size, infrastructure requirements, etc. I urged them to review closely the land settlement experience in Malaysia which, if in some degree adaptable to Egypt, could provide the control needed to insure phased small holder sugar input for the factory, as well as providing extension services, infrastructure, and loan facilities. (Using such a system one would not need to set up nuclear estates. Using a nuclear estate approach runs the risk of reducing the small holder component to token status.) The principal difficulty with the existing newly developed land areas appears to be very bad company management, trying to run a farm along Government lines. The creation of an independent and strong new land settlement authority would permit a clean break from the company failures.
- 18. Washington Action. In addition to some specific studies and papers requested, to send to Rayner information on Malaysia's Federal Land Development Authority.

Drainage Program

- 19. Bottlenecks. The Chairman of the Drainage Authority, Mr. Ahmed Fahmy, believed his primary bottleneck was the shortage of cement, and as reported in Mr. Economides' back-to-office report, the situation has been vastly improved with the tendering of 150,000 tons of cement exclusively for the Drainage Authority. The chairman also cited lack of organization of the contractors as a problem; in order to correct this, next year they have awarded 7 contracts (each covering about 50 feddans) to international firms.
- 20. The chairman complained about the time it took to get Bank clearance on equipment purchases, in particular he asked why they had to get Bank approval of specifications and whether the Bank agreement to cover a letter of credit could not be speeded up.
- 21. There was a mixed response on the issue of whether multi-year funding was a constraint. Contracts are usually awarded at the end of the first part of the calendar year to permit structural work during the dry winter season. Contracts, however, often run out well before the end of a year, and some believe there is a delay in work because the Authority does not get its annual allocation from the Ministry of Finance until the end of the year; therefore, there is a delay in letting new contracts. The special account set up by the Bank to alleviate this problem appears to have given them flexibility of spending within a year but not from one year to the next.
- 22. Open Drainage Figure Discrepancy. I discussed with the Director-General of Planning the discrepancy between the actual progress of Bank-financed field drainage recorded in our memorandum to Mr. McNamara of June 1978 (at 143,000 feddans for the first quarter of 1978) and the more recent Drainage Authority figure (of 74,000). It is an apple and

orange problem. There are two systems for reporting on open drainage progress: one records the actual amount of work completed (a Bank reporting requirement); and the second records work completed plus an extrapolation of "work completed" based on the sum of work partially completed. The work on open field drains is done in two phases under two separate contracts. Normally they start by building major new structures in an area and when they have completed these, they follow under a second contract with the excavation of the old drains. Often a substantial amount of the work included under one contract is completed; but, because work under the second contract has not been started, there is no record of progress when the Bank's reporting method is used. Thus, in order to show progress to their own management, the Government reports work completed based on the percentage of work done. The 143,000 figure reported to us for the first quarter of 1978 is taken from the Government method of reporting; the 74,000 feddan figure refers to the area where work was fully completed. The ratio between completed and partially completed open field drains is much greater than it previously was because of the accelerated expansion of work. The Authority believes that they are now a little ahead of their target.

23. — Washington Action. I recommend we delay updating the status of the drainage program for senior management until we have the end-year figures; by then we should have a better understanding of actual progress in terms of work totally completed.

Bilharzia Control Program

- 24. Following up on Mr. Economides' recommendation, I urged Dr. Moubarak to come to Washington in January to discuss the status of: the evaluation program, which needs to be strengthened; plans for continuation of the active intervention and maintenance phase; and consideration of introducing a program in the Delta, possibly under the proposed West Nubariya project. He agreed to come in January, and he will cable a proposed date.
- 25. Washington Action. During the January review, to which the consultant, Dr. Webbe, will also be invited, we should define alternative proposals for how additional funds can be provided. By the end of 1979 (well before the expected start of Drainage V) funds will start to be needed for a 5-year maintenance phase; the annual cost will be about US\$6 million, or US\$30 million for the proposed period (see Economides' back-to-office report, November 8, 1978). In addition, during these meetings we should define the extent of new program requirements in the Delta and recommend how this work may be funded.

Master Plan for the Water Resource Development and Use Project (EXWAP)

26. Administrative Support. The team cited a number of problems which were enormously time consuming and frustrating. On matters where they had a principal contact point in Washington, action was very quick.

The problem is when action is needed by someone else, and then there are extensive delays. For example (as of November),

- mini-computer purchase: extensive delays getting
 Washington concurrence and subsequent loss of position
 in manufacture's queue.
- textbook: two batches ordered, but none yet received and no telex response to status queries.
- computer print out equipment: ordered in May, follow-up in June/July; 3 or 4 out of 9 articles finally received in November but no work on outstanding articles requested.
- annual physical: one of the team members requested that his wife's annual medical check-up be delayed until home leave; the Bank took 4 months to reply.
- educational benefits: a staff member sent a detailed letter requesting information; after two month's wait he received a reply indicating the need for forms, but the necessary forms were not included in the response.

In short, the Bank does not appear to be very well equipped to service personnel stationed overseas.

- 27. Washington Action. I recommend we devise a better follow-up system to keep track of requests that do not fit the normal channels to make sure the turnaround time is reasonable.
- 28. Broadening Policy Involvement. During the week of Washington discussions with EXWAP last September, it appeared that considerable progress was being made to define the current situation, but not very much attention had been yet given to a plan. A plan would have to include a series of policy assumptions or options and these considerations reach well beyond the Ministry of Irrigation. Thus, in order for the EXWAP work to guide future investment decisions, it must include relevant macro-policy assumptions that are acceptable to the Government. EXWAP has just created a water planning committee made up of under secretaries of the relevant ministries; they had planned to hold their first meeting at the end of November. There is also a related question being reviewed now by the Government, and that is what type of organization should be established in the future to continue EXWAP's work; hopefully an organization can be set up that includes policy planning linkages.
- 29. Washington Action. I believe we should follow closely EXWAP's attempts to develop an inter-governmental policy dialogue, because we are very soon reaching the stage when, for the work to be any use, it will need to be incorporated into the planning process and related to policy assumptions. We may also consider the development of a group in Washington that could periodically consider the water resource and use information in

a broad economic and program context. Another question we might consider is to what extent is, and should, EXWAP be helping to identify projects? Do we want to beef up EXWAP's capacity to generate projects?

Agriculture Sector - Lending Strategy

- 30. As has been often pointed out—in connection with the high investment in the new Aswan Dam and the basic appeal of "newness"—there is a very strong tendency for the Government to emphasize agricultural projects that involve new land development. The prospects for peace and the interest in opening new land areas further exacebates the problem. I urge that we continue to press for a balanced program between new and existing land development. Many of the Government's future project proposals are biased toward developing new land areas. However, our investment will undoubtedly have a much greater impact if we can concentrate more on helping raise production and improve conditions on the "old," existing agriculture land. In the next 20 years, perhaps another 1 to 2 million feddans of new land can be brought under cultivation but this will directly help at the most upwards to a million families and at a relatively very high cost.
- 31. For example, it would appear important to develop projects in areas such as the rehabilitation and renewal of major irrigation structures to provide the means for tighter control of water supplies and fine tuning of the system. The proposed project for the Esna Barrage, which is a high priority of the agriculture projects division, fits this category. EXWAP should help us to identify other parts of the current irrigation and drainage systems that need modernization. For example, after their review of all the major drainage structures, they will be able to show which works need to be repaired or replaced immediately, or in five years, or no work necessary in the foreseeable future. It may also be useful if, once we have developed an improved approach to new land development (through the West Nubariya project) to help on a selective basis to rehabilitate the badly faltering existing new land development areas. As indicated above, the problems with these projects appear to be overwhelmingly managerial and organizational, although there are also some major technical problems that need to be addressed, such as providing adequate drainage.

Fruit and Vegetable Market Study

- 32. We raised the possibility with Samir Koraiem of proceeding now with a study for developing wholesale fruit and vegetable markets. Samir will try to get confirmation in writing from the Governorates of Cairo and Alexandria that they would like our assistance. Then we would seek agreement with the Governorates as to the terms of reference of a study.
- 33. <u>- Washington Action</u>. Send Samir a draft terms of reference for such a study.

Population II Project

34. A draft agreement between ODM and the Government had been received (in October) and Samir said he would send Karal Attia a copy for his comments. Unfortunately the draft agreement contains a unilateral spirit (e.g., ODM not consulting on equipment and consultants to be provided), and it may be necessary for ODM to have further discussions with the Government. In addition, Leslie Hughes, the aid officer in the British Embassy, agreed to discuss procurement procedures with Dr. Attia: Attia was concerned that if he had to use the Crown Agents to purchase certain items with ODM funds the prices might be higher on similar items that were purchased with other funds using other purchasing procedures. The legal documents have been translated and forwarded to the Ministry of Economy.

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35. The agriculture supervision mission met with a number of the proposed members of the national working committee. We urged the chairman to proceed as soon as possible with fulfilling the conditions of effectiveness—before he had indicated that he was planning to wait until the People's Assembly ratification. The designated project coordinator is not entirely satisfactory to the Bank since he is heavily committed to other work, but arrangements are being made to try to insure the project has adequate leadership.

Attachments

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ORDEV VILLAGE SOCIO-ECONOMIC SURVEY

- 1. At the request of the Ministry of Local Government, Professor Imam Selim, former Under Secretary of Planning and now associated with the Institute of National Planning, is heading up a survey of Egyptian villages. The survey includes three schedules: (i) to provide information on households, (ii) to get general information from the head of the village, and (iii) to get information on services from people in charge of providing them.
- 2. The initial survey covers 7,200 households in Lower Egypt, 6,000 in Upper Egypt, and 3,000 in the desert districts. Representative villages have been chosen, e.g. with principal incomes from tourism, traditional agriculture, fishing, textile industry, fruits and vegetables, etc. The work in Lower Egypt included 4 governorates, 5 districts (markazes), and 35 villages. The work has been completed, coded, and is now in the computer. Field work has started in Upper Egypt, which includes 2 governorates, 3 districts; the number of villages had not yet been determined when I met with them. Field work was to be completed by the end of December. I believe two desert districts have been chosen, one in the east and one in the west. They expect to have the results tabulated (all schedules) by July/August 1979. They believe the information will provide the basis for a rural development strategy.
- Following is a summary of questions being asked on the household survey:
 - A. Demographic--age, relationship to head of household, location, education, work, marriage status, children.
 - B. Migration—cause of movement: economic opportunities, education, security, marriage; profile of migrants.
 - C. Housing--number of units, type, building materials (brick, stone, wood, mixed sand, tin, concrete), external covering (cement, wood, sand), floor material, use (house or other), ownership (shares, rent, own), length of occupation, primary facilities (kitchen, stove, toilet).
 - D. Utilities--water (piped, canal), light (electric, gas), method of cooking.
 - E. Furnishings-bed, sofa, radio, TV, record player, fan, refrigerator, sewing machine; and length of ownership.
 - F. Household travel to Markaz—when, purpose (sell and buy, visit, work, monthly supplies), method of transport (by foot, bicycle, animal, bus, railway, ferry, taxi).

- G. Health Services—location, type of facilities (health units, private doctors, pharmacy, barber shop), delivery of children (nurse, hospital, doctor, midwife), additional health services needed (more medicine, doctors, ambulances, midwives, hospitals, pharmacies).
- H. Police and security--judgement of current situation, causes of problems (insufficient number of police), treatment of the people by the police, how justice served (headman, police, court) and at what level, suggestions for increased security (police, facilities).
- I. Social and religious services—are special services available for the elderly, where do the elderly go for help (relatives, Imam, educated people), what facilities are available (nursing, workshops).
- J. Education services and status—users relation to head of household, age, work, facilities used, and effect on family; length of school years, type of education, reasons for leaving, training activities after leaving (type and location), where does student live and head of household's plans for student; are more facilities needed, use of private teachers, participation in illiteracy classes.
- K. Basic supplies—any shortages (tea, sugar, cloth), use of ration card.
- L. Land--type of ownership, size of holdings, location, crops grown and yields.
- M. Marketing--who buys produce (Government, merchant, cooperative societies), method of transport.
- N. Farming--machinery and tools used (plough, water wheels, thresher, pump, pesticide sprayer) and age and ownership, source of labor, inputs used (fertilizer, seeds) and source (cooperative, private shops, black market); best yielding and most profitable crops.
- Agriculture services--difficulties with cooperative societies, irrigation problems, who treats animals.
- P. Non-agriculture--source of raw materials, difficulties with merchants, source of credit and labor, salary levels.
- Q. Miscellaneous:
 - -- who cares for children,
 - -- if Government had 3 apartments available, which Government official should get them,

- -- opinions on size of family,
- -- savings account,
- --relationship to head of village council (and if contact, on what business).
- With regard to the second schedule, the following questions are being asked; this information is available to the head of the village:
 - A. Land use--area cultivated, crops and average yields.
 - B. Cooperatives—director and qualifications, banking services.
 - C. Village facilities--sewerage, machinery (tractors) and problems, workshops, slaughterhouses.
 - D. Other economic activities—industry (ownership, wages), beef, poultry, fisheries.
 - E. Social services -- health, cultural, religious, training.
 - F. Infrastructure--transport, communications (post, telegraph, telephone), water resources.
 - G. Administration--council committees (when established, accomplishments), executive board (appointed officials, difficulties).
- 5. The third schedule is being given to the people responsible for village services, e.g. the elected memebrs of the village council.

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December 19, 1978

Mr. Ahmed Fahmy, Chairman The Egyptian Public Authority for Drainage Projects 5A El Goheiny St. Dokki, Giza Egypt

Dear Mr. Fahmy:

paper of the United Nations (December 18, 1978), in which an advertisement has been placed concerning the tender for pumping stations, under the Nile Delta II Drainage Project.

Sincerely yours,

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18th December, 1978.

Dear Paris,

Thank you very much for your letter of November 30th. I must apologise for the delay in replying to you but I have been in Ghana.

I am enclosing herewith my comments on the Plan of Operations for the Control Programme under Nile Delta II Drainage Programme. I am also enclosing a letter from the U.S. Naval Medical Research Unit No. 3 which has been working in the Luxor area, and which might assist in evaluation of future control in the area under the Delta Drainage II programme. We might discuss this with Dr. Mobarak in Washington, although it is a rather delicate issue and the Ministry may not wish to have NAMRU 3 assistance!

I hope that we can meet in Washington on January 15th to discuss these matters.

Kind regards.

Yours sincerely,

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Plan of Operations.

Area from Aswan to Assiut (Nile Delta Drainage II Project).

- a) The Bar Charts showing project and annual activities embody the essential strategy of agreed control measures and evaluation procedures.
- b) The Programme Organization, management, control measures and evaluation procedures follow those being currently applied in the Middle Egypt control programme under Upper Egypt Drainage Project I and II.

Comment

- It is considered that the infra-structure of snail control units, health centres and units are adequate to support the proposed control strategy.
- 2) The description of the area of operations is an accurate one.
- 3) The stated objectives of the programmes are essentially correct.
- 4/5) The personnel designated in the organization and for the management of the programme are satisfactory. The appointment of Dr. S. El-Hag to assist Dr. O. Zimaity is an important addition to the staff. Mr. H. Olama, Chief Engineer, is of course first-class, and the engineers designated at Sohag, Qena and Aswan are able personnel whom I have already met.
- 6) The delivery systems described for snail control operations and selective population chemotherapy are the procedure of the agreed strategy and should function well.

Evaluation.

The procedures outlined for evaluation are satisfactory, and these must be given high priority!

8) The details of the plan of operations set out in Annexes 1-12 are essentially correct. The vehicles listed under Annex II have not yet been supplied of course.

Appreciation.

The plan of operations contains all relevant data concerning the project area, the control strategy, the organization and infra-structure for the control measures and their evaluation, and I consider that it should be accepted.

Dr. G. Webbe Consultant.



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IN REPLY REFER TO: NAMRU-3-14-GH-ea 5 December 1978

Dr. Gerald Webbe London School of Hygiene & Tropical Medicine Scientific Director Winches Farm Field Station 395 Hatfield Road St. Alibans, Herts England

Dear Dr. Webbe:

I'm sorry that we were not able to meet during your most recent trip to Cairo. Our group was, at the time of your visit, in Upper Egypt working on our village studies in schistosomiasis. We had heard that you were expected to visit the particular region encompassing our study site just morth of Luxor.

Dr. Watten may have outlined to you some of our interests and the types of studies being done. Briefly, we are interested in trying to identify the reason (s) why egg burden decreases during the second decade of life; indeed the egg output declines at an earlier age (10-11 years) than when prevalence rates decline (15-20) years). Our studies have been concentrating on about 1000 school boys (ages 6-15) longitudinally over a 4-5-year period. We study the children every six months to evaluate clinically, parasitologically and immunologically (humoral and cellular immune assays). Since this study started in November 1975, we are now summarizing the data into several epidemiologicand immunologic-oriented manuscripts.

We are well-aware of the Egyptian Ministry of Health's plans, with World Bank support, to effect a control program for schistosomiasis haematobia in the human and snail populations. I have thought that we could help this program which appears inevitable, in any event. Help, in the sense of having our group assist in the treatment and subsequent evaluation of the schoolchildren and villagers in our study site. We know the human infection dynamics in this area on the basis of village cross-sectional studies in 1975 and 1978 and 6-month interval studies of the schoolboys over three years. We would very much like to see the effects of mass treatment with particular interest in the re-acquisition rates and infection - intensities in the cohort of our study group. Obviously, our desire is to attempt an incisive analysis of the question whether resistance is induced by chemotherapy? Additionally, we have done bi-monthly malacological surveys, several seasonal water-contact studies and "sentinel" animal studies in the waterways coursing through and around our study area. Of course the Ministry of Health would be

given a complete report of our data for their information. We have always allowed them free and unlimited access to our data if they so desire. Dr. Watten concurs in the plans outlined above and agrees with me that we can thoroughly and reliably evaluate the effects of such mass control programs in selected sites.

In order not to lose the chance to finish our studies in Upper Egypt, I would greatly appreciate your support in these general plans. Your recommendation, informally, to the Ministry of Health allowing us to participate this coming spring (?) March 1979 in the treatment program for our study area (part of Qena Governorate) would further our efforts to get approval in approaching discussions we will be conducting with Ministry of Health officials this month.

I fully am aware of the situation with respect to this control scheme and realize that there may be reasons why our request will not be approved. Your comments and suggestions would be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

GENE I. HIGASHI, M.D., Sc.D. Head, Immunology Department.

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SUBJECT:

Comments on the Ph.D. Dissertation, "Evaluation of the Economic Feasibility of the Drainage Project in the Arab Republic of Egypt", by Dr. Hassan Aly Khedr, 1978

Based on my association with and knowledge of the Bank supported program in Egypt, I set forth the following comments concerning the above mentioned thesis.

- While collecting data in October 1976 for appraising the Nile Delta II Drainage Project, Dr. Khedr was assigned to assist me by Dr. Mohamed Kamel Hindy, Director, Agricultural Economics, Research Institute, Ministry of Agriculture. Dr. Khedr did mention that he was assemblying materials for his thesis which would be about the drainage program. He impressed me as being an eager, conscientious person anxious to make a name for himself. He did not appear to be opposed to the drainage program.
- The substantive issue arising from Dr. Khedr's thesis is the 2. conclusion based, on the data presented and using regression equations, that drainage has zero impact on yields of cotton (p.165), rice (p.169) and wheat (p.173), but a significant impact on maize yields (p.180). Since the figures presented do not account for factors other than drainage that effect yields in farmers' fields, conclusions drawn from only these data can not possibly present an accurate evaluation of the drainage program. In any attempt to compare the influence of subterranean drains on crop yields in the project area as against yields outside the project area, one has to take into account whether or not the drains are in fact working, 1/ the kind of management and cultural practices followed, the annual pest problems and their control, use of inputs and other variable factors. Yield data in isolation, or ignoring these mentioned factors, can not show a true picture of the influence of tile drainage on crop yields. Moreover, from an agronomic viewpoint, if drainage has a significant impact on maize yields, why would it have zero impact on cotton, in the same field, which has a much deeper root system and remains on the land twice as long as maize?
- 3. It was primarily because of the fact that only yield data, such as presented in the mentioned thesis, were used by the Evaluation Committee of the Egyptian Public Authority for Drainage Projects (EPADP) in its evaluation study, that the Bank has not accepted their findings. Their data, also secured from the Ministry of Agriculture, did not take into account variables other than drainage known to influence yields. The data presented by the Evaluating Committee, in contrast to those of Dr. Khedr's showed

It is worth noting that most of the pumping stations, designated to evacuate the excess water from the drainage systems, only recently became operational.

positive net benefits in yields between areas inside the project area, as compared with areas outside the project area. This was true for wheat, maize, rice and cotton for most years, covering a four year period. Because of the Bank's insistence on a more accurate assessment of the influence of drainage works on crop yields than had been previously presented, a new crash and long range monitoring and evaluation program has been initiated by the Drainage Research Institute (DRI) on behalf of EPADP (see Nile Delta I and Upper Egypt Drainage I Supervision Reports, 11/30/78).

- Another matter that distrubs me about the data, is the manner in which they have been collected. I was informed by the Director of EPADP's Evaluation Program, that EPADP has given to the Ministry of Agriculture designated areas as being within the drainage project. The execution of the tile drainage program within the perimeters of these areas has been undertaken in two, three, four and sometimes five years. I was also told that when crop samples were taken within the project area, no distinction was made between areas that had been supplied with drains and areas within the same project area that had not as yet been furnished with tile drains. Also the timing in those areas where drains have been installed was not noted. Hence, one can not be certain in any one year, that the crop yields reported inside the project area were from land that was actually drained, or from land that was intended to be drained, but had not at the time of sampling been supplied with drains. Furthermore, if samples were taken on the drained land, the length of time the land had been furnished with drains would be a point of consideration. It is also to be noted that each year in which the data are collected for the four crops, wheat, maize, cotton and rice, they are from farms that were not surveyed the previous year. It would seem therefore, that such factors as differences in management and cultural practices followed by farmers would be all the more significant when interpreting results.
- 5. Closely associated with the matter referred to above, are the mechanics of the data gathering process. For wheat, rice and maize, crop samples were collected from an area of 6 x 7 meters, or 42 square meters. For cotton, it was 12 x 7 meters, or 84 square meters. The figures obtained from these plots are multiplied by 100 for the grains and 50 for cotton to secure yields per feddan. To obtain accurate figures in the field from a vast number of plots requires that the enumerators exercise great care, and that the entire process is under constant supervision. A small error in sampling, because it is being converted to a feddan basis, can result in large errors in the recorded figures.
- 6. With regard to IBRD's dependence (p. 139) on certain coefficients established by experiments to estimate incremental benefits attributable to drainage, this is partly true. The coefficients attained from experiments by the Ministries of Irrigation and Agriculture as well as by the Universities of Alexandria and Cairo were only used to help make a judgement as to what the incremental yields were likely to be. They were considered being fully aware of the limitations of the experiments that provided the data. The coefficients used by the Bank in its appraisal reports were lower than those

provided by experiments, more than 50% in some cases. Furthermore, the experimental coefficients were considered because they were the only data available. More precise figures than those reported by these experiments are still not available. Hence, the significance of the new monitoring and evaluation program mentioned in paragraph 3. In addition, caution was exercised in the appraisal through the sensitivity analysis used in the Nile Delta Drainage II Project, for example (with costs up by 25% and benefits down by 25%)* allowing for the possibility that yield levels could be lower than estimated.

- Regarding the reference about maintenance work, which is without question one of the major factors why tile drains may not be functioning properly, this point has been cited frequently in supervision reports since 1975 as being in need of improvement. Since the maintenance responsibility has now been given to EPADP, and a satisfactory organizational and operational plan has been prepared, action appears to have been taken on this matter.
- 8. The point regarding the appropriateness of selected areas in the drainage project (p. 205) may be valid to a certain degree in some areas. No doubt the more aggressive farmers or more influential ones may exert pressure to see that their lands are supplied with drains first. It must be realized, however, that subterranean tiles are placed according to catchment areas which involve not only Class II soils but all classes of soils in any one catchment area. It would not be feasible to restrict the installation of drains to only Class III soils in any one catchment area. Moreover, tile drains are installed not only to reclaim waterlogged and saline soils, but also to prevent the deterioration of land due to waterlogging, i.e., preventing Class I from becoming Class III or Class III soils.
- 9. For wheat, cotton, rice and maize, the yield figures (Appendix Tables 1-21), inside and outside the project area fluctuate from year to year. This fluctuation could be due to the crop samples being collected from plots on different soil classes in all areas each year. It is my understanding that crop samples ignored soil classes both in the project area as well as outside the project site.
- 10. The inferences made in Chapter VIII: "Offsetting Factors Responsible for the Failure of the Drainage Project", that the drainage program ignored the socio-economic factors is not justified. Those involved in appraising the drainage projects were keenly aware of the farmers' views, needs and attitudes. This is the major reason why provisions were made in all drainage projects to assist the Extension Service to better serve the farmers in all areas where drainage works were completed and contemplated. This assistance was provided for in the form of technical assistance, equipment and supplies. At the same time, EPADP was required, under the terms of agreement, to provide training to the Extension Agents on matters related to the drainage program. Unfortunately, because of the lack of coordination between the Ministry of Irrigation and the Ministry of Agriculture, this

^{*} Rate of return was still satisfactory, 15.3%

December 8, 1978

not been because

activity has been slow in being implemented. This has not been because the Bank has not pushed for it. The training programs for the Extension Agents that have recently been implemented have been due to Bank's insistence that EPADP follow through on its responsibilities. The reports from Extension Agents who have taken the course have been favorable. Thus, it is hoped that this training will help correct a number of conditions that are hampering the drainage projects.

- 11. It seems that Dr. Khedr, and many other people, have become confused about the role of the Bank in the drainage program. They sometimes mistakenly believe that the drainage projects are the Bank's projects and that the Bank is the implementing agency, the decision maker as well as the agency to back stop all activities.
- 12. The Bank has requested that DRI take the leadership in preparing a documented response to Dr. Khedr's thesis, and that the views of EPADP and those of the Ministry of Agriculture be incorporated in the reply. We have also asked that action be taken immediately, and that a copy of the response as soon as prepared be sent to the Bank for its records.

cc: Messrs: Naylor, Economides, Donovan (EMP)

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DR ALMOTAZ MOBARAK, UNDERSECRETARY, MINISTRY OF HEALTH

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THAT YOU ARE ABLE TO ATTEND WASHINGTON DISCUSSION IN JANUARY. DUE

TO STAFF COMMITMENTS WE PROPOSE TO HAVE THE MEETING ON ONGOING

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SAY FROM JANUARY 8 TO JANUARY 10. PLEASE CABLE IF TIMING CONVENIENT

FOR YOU. REGARDS, NAYLOR, INDIVAS.

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December 5, 1978

Franz Kaps Loan Officer, EMIDA

EGYPT--Nile Delta II Drainage Project (Loan 1439, Loan 1440-T, and Credit 719)

At the request of Mr. Economides, I telephoned Mr. Sass of Kreditanstalt fuer Wiederaufbau (KfW) in Frankfurt to enquire about the preparation of a DM 100 million loan designed to finance the production of PVC plastic pipes, a part of the above project. Mr. Sass admitted that the preparation of the relevant technical report by KfW has been delayed, but that it was now scheduled to be submitted for final approval by the Ministry of Economic Cooperation before year end. The Egyptian authorities have been informed that a contract was likely to be signed before the end of the first quarter 1979 and that the remaining steps to be taken were just a formality. Mr. Sass confirmed that DM 65 million out of the loan was to be used to cover foreign expenditures, the remaining DM 35 million to cover local expenditures.

cc: Messrs. Köpp/Swayze/Economides/Naylor/Krishna

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November 30, 1978

Dr. G. Webbe
Bciencific Director
London School of Hygiene and
Tropical Medicine
Winches Farm Field Station
395 Hatfield Road
St. Albans, Herts
England

Dear Jerry:

Please find attached a copy of the Plan of Operation for the Bilharzia Control Program under Nile Delta II Drainage Project.

I will be grateful if you would review this document and send me your comments.

With best regards.

Ginderely,

Paris Economides
Irrigation Engineer
Agriculture Division IV
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Mr. Ahmed M. Fahmy
Chairman
Egyptian Public Authority for
Drainage Projects
5A El Goheiny Street
Dokki, Giza
Egypt

Dear Mr. Fahmy:

I was pleased to learn from our recent project review mission that positive measures have been taken by EPADP for the maintenance of field drainage and that field maintenance units have been established all over the country. I also understand that arrangements are being made for the maintenance of open drains, an activity which will come under the responsibility of EPADP from January 1, 1979. I hope that these measures will lead to the solution of the problem of maintenance of drainage works, and I urge you to continue your efforts for improvement. The mission also reported that a training program of extension agents covering all drainage aspects, is underway. I was very pleased to learn this as I believe that a close collaboration of EPADP with the Extension Service is absolutely necessary for the improvement of the maintenance of drainage works and for the proper use of water for irrigation.

I was also very pleased to learn that action has been taken towards the evaluation of the drainage works and that a new evaluation program has begun which is expected within two years to provide accurate data on the effect of drainage works on yields and soil properties. The mission also reported that the evaluation committee, in which the Ministry of Agriculture is well represented, has been re-established and meetings are held regularly. The evaluation of the drainage works is vitally important as it will provide a basis of justification for the enormous investments and efforts the Egyptian Government is making and I seek your full personal support for the starting program so that it may be carried out successfully. I would like to re-emphasize what Mr. Economides told you about the impossibility of Board approval for another drainage loan without firm data on the benefits of drainage. I would also strongly recommend that the Drainage Research Institute include in their work program field studies on the depth of drains and on the use of gravel envelopes. This recommendation

was include in our letter to the Acting Director of the Institute, copied to you.

The performance of EPADP in field drainage is a matter of concern. According to the information furnished in the progress reports, the area covered with field drainage on Bank only projects during the first three quarters of 1978 was 124,000 feddans. In view of this, the mission estimates that the performance of the year will not exceed 180,000, maximum 200,000 feddans, compared to a target of 220,000 feddans. I understand the main reason for this slow performance is the shortage of cement, and hope that with the procurement of cement from abroad the situation will improve in the future.

Another matter of concern is the slow implementation of the Nile

Delta Drainage II project. Considerable delays occurred in the preparation
of tender documents for the four pumping stations and till now, no action
was taken for the procurement of equipment under this project (draglines and
excavators, vehicles, etc.). As Mr. Economides explained to you, the fact that
the KFW loan has not yet been approved by the German Government should not
be considered as a reason for non-disbursement. According to the Development
Credit. Agreement (Section 5.01) and the General Conditions Applicable to
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Borrower suspend in whole or in part the right of the Borrower to make withdrawals
from the Credit Account." We have already extended the date of the
signature of the agreement with the German Government to December 31, 1978
and we are ready to consider a further extension if necessary. Therefore, there
is no obstacle for disbursement and I urge_you to proceed with the procurement
of equipment as soon as possible.

The mission reported that the contract with Cincinnati Milacron Co. for the procurement and installation of the three PVC pipe making factories was signed on October 21. I hope this problem, that caused delay of one year in the implementation of the Upper Egypt Drainage II project, has finally been solved. I trust that EPADP will make every effort to ensure that the factories become operable on the foreseen dates. With the signature of the contract, I think it is time to advertise the international tender for the installation of field drainage under the Upper Egypt Drainage II project.

I was also made aware that six mobile crushers have been received by EPADP. I would like to know what arrangements you are planning to make for the use of the crushers. Taking into account the inadequate size of gravel currently used for gravel envelope, it is vitally important to start using the crushers as soon as possible so that the quality of the gravel used will be improved.

I would like to draw your attention to the fact that considerable delays occurred in the establishment of the cost accounting system and EPADP is in default in this respect. I understand that a number of accountants are now being recruited by EPADP to form the cost accounting unit. It is necessary that arrangements be made as soon as possible to enter into a contract with one of the local consultant firms so that the training of the accountants may start immediately. I believe with some effort the cost accounting systems could be established early next year.

Concerning the cost recovery of field drainage installation, although some improvement has been reported by the mission, there is still a lot to be done to become satisfactory. If by providing bonuses to the tax collectors you expect that you can reach the desired degree of cost recovery please take the necessary action.

Finally, I should like to thank you again very much for the assistance and hospitality extended by you and your staff to our mission on its recent visit to review the progress of the ongoing projects.

With kind regards.

Sincerely yours,

Peter E. Naylor
Chief, Agriculture Division IV
Europe, Middle East and
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SECTION 6: SUMMARY OF PROJECT'S A US, TREND, AND MAJOR PRO

The Bank Credit/Loan became effective on April 17, 1978. The KFW loan has not yet been approved by the German Government. No explanation was given for this delay. Some progress has been made with the remodelling of open drains. As of September 1978 about 41,000 feddans were completed. It is expected that by the end of 1978 some 100,000 feddans will be completed against a target of 200,000 feddans. Contractors are temporarily using the equipment provided under Nile Delta Drainage I Project for remodelling.

Tender documents for the four new pumping stations have been prepared and approved by the Bank. However, there is a problem with the evacuation of the discharge water of the station of Mehalla El Kobra. There are two solutions envisaged: one to evacuate the water into the Mehalla Canal and the other to evacuate the water directly into the Damietta Branch of the Nile. The first solution presents a risk to increase the salinity of the Mehalla Canal, the second requires the construction of a new drain. EPADP is studying the problem and a final decision will be made by the end of November. The tender will be advised subsequently.

No action has been taken by EPADP for the procurement of draglines and excavator

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Some changes are proposed by EPADP in the project subareas to reflect changes in piorities. These changes are shown in Annex 4. In view of the slow performance of last year, a new overall drainage program covering the period 1979-1984 is now proposed by EPADP for the Bank's approval. According to this program, the project is expected to be completed by mid-1983. The proposed program is shown in Annex 4.

The Bilharzia control plan of operation was handed to the mission on October 24, together with tender documents for the procurement of vehicles. The program, covering the area between Asyut Barrage and Aswan Dam, is expected to start in the Spring of 1979 and be completed by the end of 1981.

Section 7. ACTION TAKEN OR RECOMMENDED

- -- Letters have been sent to Mr. Ahmed Fahmy, Chairman of EPADP and Dr. ElMotaz Mobarak, Undersecretary of the Ministry of Health in which the main findings of the supervision mission have been brought to their attention. (Annex 1)
- -- Cables approving specifications for pumping stations and vehicles have been sent to EPADP and Ministry of Health respectively. (Annex 1)
- -- Bank should contact KfW to inquire about the approval of the loan.
- cc: Messrs. Paijmans, Kwaku, Kopp(3), Swayze(EM1); Haynes, K. Jones, Frank, ffrench-Mullen, Merghoub, Khorana, Rehman, Sands, (EMP), van der Tak(3) (PAS); Yudelman(2)(AGR); Krishna(LEG), Hakim, Subramanian(CTR); Robless(PAB); Kordik(2)(OED)

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November 30, 1978

Mr. Ahmed M. Fahmy
Chairman
Egyptian Public Authority for
Drainage Projects
5A El Goheiny Street
Dokki, Giza
Egypt

Dear Mr. Fahmy:

I was pleased to learn from our recent project review mission that positive measures have been taken by EPADP for the maintenance of field drainage and that field maintenance units have been established all over the country. I also understand that arrangements are being made for the maintenance of open drains, an activity which will come under the responsibility of EPADP from January 1, 1979. I hope that these measures will lead to the solution of the problem of maintenance of drainage works, and I urge you to continue your efforts for improvement. The mission also reported that a training program of extension agents covering all drainage aspects, is underway. I was very pleased to learn this as I believe that a close collaboration of EPADP with the Extension Service is absolutely necessary for the improvement of the maintenance of drainage works and for the proper use of water for irrigation.

I was also very pleased to learn that action has been taken towards the evaluation of the drainage works and that a new evaluation program has begun which is expected within two years to provide accurate data on the effect of drainage works on yields and soil properties. The mission also reported that the evaluation committee, in which the Ministry of Agriculture is well represented, has been re-established and meetings are held regularly. The evaluation of the drainage works is vitally important as it will provide a basis of justification for the enormous investments and efforts the Egyptian Government is making and I seek your full personal support for the starting program so that it may be carried out successfully. I would like to re-emphasize what Mr. Economides told you about the impossibility of Board approval for another drainage loan without firm data on the benefits of drainage. I would also strongly recommend that the Drainage Research Institute include in their work program field studies on the depth of drains and on the use of gravel envelopes. This recommendation

was include in our letter to the Acting Director of the Institute, copied to you.

The performance of EPADP in field drainage is a matter of concern. According to the information furnished in the progress reports, the area covered with field drainage on Bank only projects during the first three quarters of 1978 was 124,000 feddans. In view of this, the mission estimates that the performance of the year will not exceed 180,000, maximum 200,000 feddans, compared to a target of 220,000 feddans. I understand the main reason for this slow performance is the shortage of cement, and hope that with the procurement of cement from abroad the situation will improve in the future.

Another matter of concern is the slow implementation of the Nile Delta Drainage II project. Considerable delays occurred in the preparation of tender documents for the four pumping stations and till now, no action was taken for the procurement of equipment under this project (draglines and excavators, vehicles, etc.). As Mr. Economides explained to you, the fact that the KFW loan has not yet been approved by the German Government should not be considered as a reason for non-disbursement. According to the Development Credit Agreement (Section 5.01) and the General Conditions Applicable to Development Credit (Section 6.02), "the Association may by notice to the Borrower suspend in whole or in part the right of the Borrower to make withdrawals from the Credit Account." We have already extended the date of the signature of the agreement with the German Government to December 31, 1978 and we are ready to consider a further extension if necessary. Therefore, there is no obstacle for disbursement and I urge you to proceed with the procurement of equipment as soon as possible.

The mission reported that the contract with Cincinnati Milacron Co. for the procurement and installation of the three PVC pipe making factories was signed on October 21. I hope this problem, that caused delay of one year in the implementation of the Upper Egypt Drainage II project, has finally been solved. I trust that EPADP will make every effort to ensure that the factories become operable on the foreseen dates. With the signature of the contract, I think it is time to advertise the international tender for the installation of field drainage under the Upper Egypt Drainage II project.

I was also made aware that six mobile crushers have been received by EPADP. I would like to know what arrangements you are planning to make for the use of the crushers. Taking into account the inadequate size of gravel currently used for gravel envelope, it is vitally important to start using the crushers as soon as possible so that the quality of the gravel used will be improved.

I would like to draw your attention to the fact that considerable delays occurred in the establishment of the cost accounting system and EPADP is in default in this respect. I understand that a number of accountants are now being recruited by EPADP to form the cost accounting unit. It is necessary that arrangements be made as soon as possible to enter into a contract with one of the local consultant firms so that the training of the accountants may start immediately. I believe with some effort the cost accounting systems could be established early next year.

Concerning the cost recovery of field drainage installations, although some improvement has been reported by the mission, there is still a lot to be done to become satisfactory. If by providing bonuses to the tax collectors you expect that you can reach the desired degree of cost recovery, please take the necessary action.

Finally, I should like to thank you again very much for the assistance and hospitality extended by you and your staff to our mission on its recent visit to review the progress of the ongoing projects.

With kind regards.

Incerely yours,

Peter E. Waylor

Chief, Agriculture Division IV Europe, Middle East and North Africa Projects Department

November 16, 1978

Mr. Ahmed Fahmy
Chairman
Egyptian Public Authority
for Drainage Projects
5A Elgoheiny Street
Dokki-Giza
Egypt

Dear Mr. Fahmy:

Reference is made to your letter of October 21 handed to our last project review mission, concerning the overall drainage program in Egypt.

Please find attached for your review and approval three copies of a revised overall drainage program for Bank projects only, concerning the period 1978-1984. You will notice that for the Year 1978, we have reduced the area expected to be provided with field drainage to 200,000 feddans. Since during the three quarters of this year the performance was only 124,000 feddans, we thought it was wiser to limit our expectations for the year to 200,000 feddans.

If you agree with the proposed program, please advise us accordingly.

With best regards.

Sincerely yours,

Peter E. Naylor Chief, Agriculture Division IV Europe, Middle East and North Africa Projects Department

Attachment

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November 16, 1978

Mr. Ahmed Fahmy Chairman Egyptian Public Authority for Drainage Projects 5 A Elgoheiny Street Dokki-Giza Egypt

Dear Mr. Fahmy:

Reference is made to your two letters dated September 19 and September 23 concerning proposed changes in the project area of Upper Egypt I and II projects and Nile Delta I and II projects.

On the basis of the information furnished, we have no objection to your proposals. We are including herewith four tables showing, for each project, the areas considered at appraisal and the areas proposed. We will be grateful if you would examine carefully these tables and let us know if you agree with the figures. New maps ahowing the areas under each project will be prepared subsequently.

Please note that, according to your proposals, the total areas in Nile Delta I and Nile Delta II projects are being increased by 10,000 and 18,000 feddans, respectively. We would like to avoid such an increase, thus, in reviewing the tables, please try to cut some areas in order to reduce the totals to the original figures.

Sincerely yours,

Peter E. Naylor Chief, Agriculture Division IV Europe, Middle East and North Africa Projects Department

Enclosures

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EGT Ln. 1439 /1411/2

November 8, 1978

Dr. Alaotaz Esbarak Undersecretary Efinistry of Health Cairo, Egypt

Dear Dr. Mobarak:

We were very pleased to learn from our consultant, Dr. G. Webbe, who recently visited Egypt, that snail control operations are continuing to be applied efficiently, and that mollusciciding in the Ibrahimia Canal again proved very successful, giving excellent coverage in the irrigated area under its command, and providing important protection against infestation by Biomphalaria alexandrina, along its course and in branch canals.

We were also pleased to learn that satisfactory progress is being made with chemotherapy in many parts of the project area. However, as Dr. Webbe discussed with you, a greater effort should be made to increase the rate of patient examination and treatment throughout the project area, particularly in Beni Suef Governorate, in order to obtain the optimum control benefit from the combined chemotherapy-snail control strategy.

We are very sorry to learn that the independent evaluation teams have not produced adequate epidemiological evaluation data, but are encouraged that new teams of Ministry personnel have now been trained to undertake this work, and that the collection, banking and analysis of epidemiological data are receiving high priority. We hope that initial results will be available for appraisal early in 1979 in order to estimate the cost-effectiveness of the control strategy. This is vitally important as a basis of scientific justification for the applied measures and in order to support the expansion of control activities in other areas.

We are also concerned that the garage complex in Minya is still not in use and that there are no central garage and maintenance facilities there or in Beni Suef. In addition, we hope that the question of payment of incentives and overtime to field staff involved in the Bilharzia control program will be settled soon.

We are conscious of the need to consider the on-going application of control measures in the project area during the maintenance phase, i.e. post-1979. Accordingly, we would very much appreciate if you could attend a short meeting in Washington early in 1979 for this purpose, and to review the general progress of the work and the expansion of Bilharzia control activities in Upper Egypt. Please let us know when it would be convenient for you to come to Washington to discuss these matters.

Finally, we should like to thank you again very much for the assistance and hospitality extended by you and your staff to Dr. Webbe on his recent visit to review the progress of the program.

With kind regards.

Sincerely yours,

Peter E. Naylor Chief, Agriculture Division IV Europe, Middle East and North Africa Projects Department

cleared with and cc: Mr. Swayze

Webbe/Economides;eld

cc: Messrs. Lee and Webbe



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November 22, 1978

Dr. Mohamed Hassan Amer
Acting Director
Drainage Research Institute
13 Giza Road
P.O. Box 33
Giza, Cairo
Egypt

Dear Dr. Amer:

Please accept our congratulations for your appointment as Acting Director of the Drainage Research Institute. We are confident that with your training, experience and interest in the drainage problems of your country, you will supply the leadership to conduct programs that will successfully meet all challenges.

On the last mission to Egypt, Mr. Sands had a rewarding experience talking with you, the Dutch Consultants and Engineer Famad M. Ramadan about the monitoring and evaluation program as well as activities of the Drainage Research Institute. He also had a chance to review the various publications prepared by the Drainage Research Institute and the Dutch Consultants. These reports presented at the First Panel Meeting in January 1976 through to the Fifth Panel Meeting in August 1978 would be waluable to us, and we would appreciate having copies of them. The reports will help us to have a better understanding of the different components of the whole drainage program in Egypt, and also acquaint us with the research projects being conducted by the Drainage Research Institute. We would also like to be placed on your mailing list so that we can receive all future publications and reports prepared by the Dutch Consultants, especially those on the monitoring and evaluation program, and the Drainage Research Institute. We look forward to receiving these publications at your earliest convenience.

wystem has been based on the principle that water table levels should be reduced to one meter below the ground surface within two to three days following irrigation. There still remains, however, some doubts as to the minimum, effective drainage depth of one meter is the optimum, egronomically and economically. With large future investments being scheduled, we believe that detailed field studies should be conducted in order to confirm or, if necessary, modify the design criteria. These studies, because of their importance, we hope you will include in the program of DRI.

Another highly significant subject, is that of gravel envelopes for field drains. Although it is true that the risk of sedimentation in the drains installed in clay soils is low, gravel envelopes could be justified in clay soils, on the basis of providing adequate permeability for the groundwater to move into joint openings without a significant loss of head. This improvement in hydraulic conductivity around the drains could be significant. We believe that the DRI could make a real contribution to the drainage program by conducting field tests, with an appropriate grade of gravel envelopes, to evaluate the benefits that could be derived from the use of gravel or other envelopes in each type of soil, and to determine the economic feasibility of using envelopes on tile drains. We trust you will give the above two matters priority in your research program.

I understand from our last mission that you have had only a brief chance to look over Dr. Hassan Aly Khedr's thesis expressing critical views on the drainage program. We urge you and your staff to review this thesis carefully so that a documented response can be prepared as soon as possible, in order to prevent inaccurate statements from being repeated. I know also that the Chairman of EPADP is also most anxious to put the record straight and wishes to assist you in preparing this reply. Dr. Yussef Wally of the Ministry of Agriculture has urged that his Ministry's views be taken into account as well. We would appreciate having a copy of your remarks as soon as prepared for our records.

Since the Chairman of EPAP is also keenly interested in our relationship with the drainage program, we have sent him a copy of this letter for his information.

With kind regards,

Sincerely yours,

Peter E. Naylor
Chief, Agriculture Division IV
Europe, Middle East and North Africa Region
Projects Department

cc: Mr. Ahmed Fahmy

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FOR AHMAD FAHMY, CHAIRMAN. RE CREDITS 181 AND 393-EGT AND CREDIT/ LOAN 637/1285-EGT DRAINAGE PROJECTS EGYPT. ON BASIS OF REVIEW BY ECONOMIDES AND PROVIDED SUGGESTED CHANGES MADE BANK HAS NO OBJECTION TO SPECIFICATIONS AND ISSUANCE FOR AAA TWO PVC PLANTS AND 2000 TONS PVC POWDER, BBB TEN TILE LAYING MACHINES, AND CCC 75,000 TONS CEMENT. PLEASE ADVISE DATES BIDS TO BE RECEIVED AND FURNISH TWO COPIES OF AS ISSUED SPECIFICATIONS. REGARDS NAYLOR INDEVAS

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Messrs. Economides, Swayze

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FOR AHMED FAHMY, CHAIRMAN. RE TENDER FOR TEN COLLECTOR PIPE LAYING MACHINES UPPER EGYPT DRAINAGE PROJECT ONE CREDIT 393 FURNISHED ECONOMIDES. WE NOTE THAT YOU HAVE DELETED OPTION OF REQUIRING FIELD TESTS IN SPECIFICATIONS TO DETERMINE SUITABILITY OF MACHINES. YOU MAY WISH TO RECONSIDER AND INCLUDE REQUIREMENT IF YOU RECEIVE REQUEST FOR DOCUMENTS FROM FIRMS WHICH HAVE NOT TESTED MACHINE IN EGYPT PREVIOUSLY. YOU COULD INCLUDE ALTERNATE SCHEDULE FOR PRICE WITH FIELD TESTING. ALSO NOTE YOU HAVE FAILED TO INCLUDE DESIRED TIME FOR DELIVERY IN CHAPTER THREE. CHANGES COULD BE FURNISHED PROSPECTIVE BIDDERS BY SUPPLEMENTAL NOTICE. PLEASE FURNISH TWO COPIES OF ANY SUPPLEMENTAL NOTICES ISSUED. REGARDS NAYLOR INDEVAS

EGYPT - Credit 393-EGT

cc: Messrs. Morse, Swayze Cleared w/cc: Mr. Economides ALSchwenneker:sl

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FOR AHMED FAHMY, CHAIRMAN. RE CREDIT/LOAN 637/1285 AND YOUR LETTERS OF AUGUST 27 AND OCTOBER 14, 1978 ON AWARD OF 60 TON TRUCK TRAILERS. ON BASIS OF INFORMATION FURNISHED AND YOUR RECOMMENDATION BANK HAS NO OBJECTION TO YOUR AWARD OF CONTRACT FOR SIX TRUCK TRACTOR -TRAILER COMBINATIONS AND ONE STANDBY TRUCK TRACTOR FOR 1,414,270 DUTCH FLORINS WHICH INCLUDES TWENTY PERCENT FOR SPARE PARTS. PLEASE FURNISH TWO CONFORMED COPIES OF CONTRACT PROMPTY AFTER AWARD AND PRIOR TO SUBMITTAL OF FIRST APPLICATION FOR WITHDRAWAL OF FUNDS WITH RESPECT TO THIS CONTRACT. REGARDS NAYLOR, INTBAFRAD

Credit/Loan 637/1285 EGYPT -

Messrs. Morse, Economides,

Hakim (CTR) with copy EMPA

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Nile Delta Drainage II

Places Visited and Officials Met

1. Places Visited

Cairo: October 3 - 9

October 14 - 23

Alexandria: October 10-13

Field trips: October 8: East Delta (Zagarig, Aga, Mansourah)

October 10: Middle Delta (Tanta)

October 11: West Nubariya October 12: West Nubariya

October 14: West Delta (Damanhur)

2. Officials Met

EPADP

Eng. Ahmed Fahmy Chairman

Eng. Abdelmoneim El Inani Vice Chairman for Nile Delta
Eng. Kemal Fetiha Vice Chairman for Upper Egypt

Eng. Ahmed Lutfi Undersecretary for Finance

Eng. Roushdi Sinarah Undersecretary for Maintenance

Eng. Toot Sharabim Undersecretary for Mechnical Dept.

Eng. Karam Gaid Undersecretary for Planning
Eng. Sami Mouhsim Undersecretary for Upper Egypt

Eng. Said Eid Undersecretary for Lower Egypt

Eng. Anis Naguib

Eng. Abdel Mooti El Desouki

Director General for Planning

Director General for Design

Eng. Maurice Halim Director General for East Delta

Eng. Mahir Shita Director General Middle Delta

Eng. Artin Halim Director General West Delta
Eng. Ahmed Sawaf Director Technical Office

Eng. Wadiya Raffla Director Training and Evaluation
Eng. Asaad Fahmy Chairman Evaluation Committee

Drainage Research Institute

Eng. Mohamed Hasan Amer Acting Director

Eng. Mrs. El Guindy Research Agronomist

Ministry of Irrigation

Eng. Abelhadi Sanaha Minister

Eng. Mohamed El Gwindy Vice Minister

Ministry of Agriculture

Dr. Youssef Wally

Mr. Adel Sarki

Dr. Azmy Abu Hassein

Dr. Mohamed Moustafa Abdelwariz

Mr. Zaki Fahmy

Technical Advisor to the Minister

Controller for International Organizations

Chairman Soil Amelioration Authority

Director General Amelioration Authority

Technical Officer

Ministry of Health

Dr. O. El Zimaity Eng. H. Olama

Director General Bilharzia Project Chief Engineer Bilharzia Project

FAO

Mr. Akraim El Jaft

Mr. Pierre Bonmaison

Dr. Neguib Hasan

Mr. William Barber

FAO Country Representative FAO/UNDP Project Manager

FAO/UNDP Director FAO/UNDP Consultant

USAID

Mr. Philip Lewis

Mr. Keith Brown

Chief Engineer Project Officer

ULG Consultants

Mr. M. J. Rayner

Mr. C. J. L. Warr

Team Leader

Deputy Team Leader

UNDP Office

Deputy Resident Representative

Water Master Plan

Mr. Fred Durrant

Mr. Desmond Carr

Manager, EXWAP

Systems Analyst, EXWAP

Nile Delta Drainage II

Financial Aspects and Disbursements

- 1. Foreign exchange costs. No foreign exchange cost overrun.
- Local currency costs. There is no local currency cost overrun. The expected inflation cost increase will be covered by the price contingencies.
- 3. Local currency availability. The 1978 allocation for EPADP was LE 44 million of which LE 33 million local cost and LE 11 million foreign cost. As of September 30, the amount spent was about LE 30 million. The project's special fund of LE 10 million has not been used. An additional allocation LE 21 million has been approved by the Ministry of Finance and is now in the Parliment for final approval. According to the new regulations, if there is any balance left, it will be transferred to the 1979 budget. This will solve the problem of shortage of local currency which usually occurs at the first quarter of each fiscal year. For the 1979 budget, an amount of LE 85 million has been requested by EPADP—LE 70 million for local costs and LE 15 million for foreign cost. The cost of maintenance of drainage works is included in the 1979 budget.
- 4. <u>Disbursements</u>. No disbursement was made until now under the Nile Delta Drainage II project. This is due to the delays in preparing tender documents for procurement of equipment and for pumping stations. A revised schedule for Disbursement is given in Table 1 of this Annex. The closing date remains unchanged.

Nile Delta Drainage II

Schedule of Disbursements (as of September 30, 1978)

| | | Annual video | New Estimate | | |
|---------------------------------|--------|-----------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------|--|
| IBRD Fiscal Year and Quarter | Actual | Appraisal Estimate | Revised Estimate 9/30/78 | Appraisal Estimate | |
| | | | 9/ 30/ 76 | | |
| 1978 | | | | | |
| December 31, 1977 | | 0.1 | | 0.0 | |
| March 31, 1978 June 30, 1978 | | 5.2 10.3 | | 0.0 | |
| 1979 | | 77.77 | | | |
| September 30, 1978 | | 15.9 | | 0.0 | |
| December 31, 1978 | | 21.1 | 0.1 | 0.05 | |
| March 31, 1979 | | 25.7 | 5.2 | 20.2 | |
| June 30, 1979 | | 30.3 | 10.3 | 34.0 | |
| 1980 | | | | | |
| September 30, 1979 | | 35.2 | 15.9 | 45.2 | |
| December 31, 1979 | | 39.9 | 21.1 | 52.9 | |
| March 31, 1980 | | 42.7 | 25.7 | 60.2 | |
| June 30, 1980 | | 45.5 | 30.3 | 66.6 | |
| 1981 | | | | | |
| September 30, 1980 | | 48.3 | 35.2 | 72.9 | |
| December 31, 1980 | | 51.1 | 39.9 | 78.1 | |
| March 31, 1981 | | 53.2 | 42.7 | 80.3 | |
| June 30, 1981 | | 55.3 | 45.5 | 82.3 | |
| 1982 | | | | | |
| September 30, 1981 | | 57.4 | 48.3 | 84.1 | |
| December 31, 1981 | | 59.5 | 51.1 | 85.9 | |
| March 31, 1982 | | 61.1 | 53.2 | 87.1 | |
| June 30, 1982 | | 62.7 | 55.3 | 88.2 | |
| 1983 | | | | | |
| September 30, 1982 | | 64.3 | 57.4 | 89.3 | |
| December 31, 1982 | | 66.0 | 61.1 | 92.3 | |
| March 31, 1983 | | | 64.3 | 97.4 | |
| June 30, 1983 | | | 66.0 | 100.0 | |
| Closin | g date | 12/31/83 | 12/31/83 | | |

Nile Delta Drainage II

Execution of Project

1. Pumping Stations. There are four new pumping stations to be constructed under the project: Mehalla-el-Kobra, Delingat, Abu Hommos and Blad-el Ayed. Technical studies for the pumping stations have been completed with the exception of the Mehalla-el-Kobra station which is still under investigation. The reason for this is the concern felt over the deterioration of the quality of water in the Mehalla Canal into which the discharge water of the pumping station was originally planned to be evacuated. It should be mentioned that the Mehalla Canal provides the city of Mehalla-el-Kobra and the large complex of the textile industry with domestic water. The solution envisaged is the construction of a new drain which will evacuate the discharge water of the station directly into the Nile branch of Damietta. Field studies are underway to determine the operational pumping head and the power required per pump unit under the latter solution. These studies will be completed by the end of November. Tender documents have already been prepared and approved by the Bank. The tender will be advertised immediately after completion of field investigations.

In addition to the construction of the four new pumping stations, the project will provide ten pump units to replace obsolete units in two existing pumping stations. The supply and erection of these pump units will be the subject of a separate tender which will be prepared later.

- 2. Remodelling Open Drains. Remodelling has started during the second half of the year and as of September 30 some 41,000 feddans have been completed. It is expected that by the end of the year remodelling will cover about 100,000 feddans. The work is carried out by the two main contractor companies (public sector) working in the Delta, using equipment provided under the Nile Delta Drainage I project.
- 3. <u>Procurement of Equipment</u>. No action was taken until now for the procurement of equipment for remodelling of open drains, for vehicles, etc. EPADP promised to send to the Bank for approval specifications for this equipment very soon.
- 4. Changes in Project Areas. EPADP is proposing some changes in the project subareas without major change in the total project area. The main changes proposed are to exclude from the project the areas of Bahr Saft Ext, (41,000 fed. to be implemented under a Dutch loan) Belbis (20,000 fed. to be included partly in Nile Delta I) and Derawa (15,000 fed. of low priority to be implemented later under Nile Delta III) and include instead 50,000 fed. of Pumping Station No 5 and 29,000 fed. in Shereshra (btoh areas shifted from Nile Delta I). The suggested changes are shown in Table 1 of this Annex.
- 5. Revised Overall Drainage Program. In view of the slow performances of the drainage works during the last two years a revised overall program is now proposed by EPADP, covering the period 1979-198%. The program is shown in Table 2 of this Annex.

- 6. <u>Cost Accounting System</u>. After EPADP's request for Bank assistance, draft terms of reference have been prepared and sent to EPADP for the design, training and implementation of the cost accounting system by a local consulting firm. EPADP is now recruiting 18 accountants who will form the cost accounting unit. Negotiations are underway with one of the recommended consulting firms, namely Dr. A. M. Hegazy & Co. It is expected that training activities will start by January 1979.
- 7. Participation of World Food Program in Drainage Works. A World Food Program project has been prepared to assist the Government in the implementation of the Nile Delta Drainage II project. The project consists of providing food to the laborers working for the drainage works. The value of the provided food at local market prices is estimated at LE 0.32 per person per day of which the laborer will pay only LE 0.18. The collected money will go to a special account for financing local cost of the drainage works. It is estimated that about 25,000 to 30,000 fed. will be provided with field drainage under the Nile Delta II project with financing (local) by the World Food Program project. The contribution of the World Food Program to the Nile Delta II project is US\$ 18 million. The project will be effective early 1979.

, - Nile Delta Drainage II Project

Revised Project Areas

| | | | Catchment Area | Total | Area | Remodelling | Open Drains | Field I | rainage | Remarks |
|---|--------|----|----------------------|-----------|---------------|-------------|-----------------------------------------|-----------|----------|------------------------------------------------|
| | | | - Catciment Area | | Proposed | Appraisal | Proposed | Appraisal | Proposed | |
| | Symbol | | | | | Feddan | S | | | |
| | | Α. | Eastern Delta | | | | | | | |
| | OE 4 | | Bahr Saft | 105,000 | 105,000 | 30,000 | 30,000 | - | | |
| | OE 5 | | Kassaby | 88,000 | 88,000 | 49,000 | 49,000 | - | | |
| | OE 6 | | El Arim | 60,000 | 60,000 | 60,000 | 60,000 | | | |
| | OE 7 | | Bahr Saft Ext | 41,000 | | 41,000 | | 41,000 | | To be executed |
| | OE 8 | | Belbis | 20,000 | | 20,000 | | 20,000 | | under Dutch 10an Shifted to Nile Delta I |
| | OE 9 | | Kharaka | 22,000 | 22,000 | 22,000 | 22,000 | - | | |
| | OE 10 | | Nizam PS | 45,000 | 45,000 | 45,000 | 45,000 | 45,000 | 45,000 | |
| | OE 11 | | El Aid | 28,000 | 28,000 | 28,000 | 28,000 | 28,000 | 28,000 | |
| | OE 12 | | Bany Ebid | 53,000 | 53,000 | 53,000 | 53,000 | | | |
| | | | Subtotal | 462,000 | 401,000 | 348,000 | 287,000 | 134,000 | 73,000 | - |
| • | | В. | Middle Delta | | | | | | | |
| | IV | | P.S. No. 5 | 25,000 | 75,000 | 25,000 | 75,000 | 25,000 | 75,000 | 50,000 fed |
| | | | | | | | | | | shifted from Nile Delta I |
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Revised Drainage Program (November 1978)

(Bank Projects Only)

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| | Total , | 2,750,000 | 340,000 | 169,000 | 180,000 | 200,000 | 270,000 | 300,000 | 300,000 | 320,000 | 320,000 | 351,000 |

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⁽c) Completion

^{/1} Bank project scheduled for appraisal in 1978.

Nile Delta Drainage II

Organization and Management

Organization and Staffing. Several changes have taken place in the organization and staffing of EPADP. The two vice chairman posts, one for Nile Delta and one for Upper Egypt, have been re-established. Eng. Abdelmoneim El Inani is the vice chairman for Nile Delta and Eng. Kemal Fetiha for Upper Egypt. Each vice-chairman is assisted by one Undersecretary of Works. The U.S. for Nile Delta, Eng. Said Eid, has his duty station in Tanta and the U.S. for Upper Egypt, Eng. Sami Mouhsim, in Asyut. Undersecretary for Administration and Finance is still Mr. Ahmed Lotfy, but he is retiring next January.

In addition to the above, three more posts for Undersecretary have been created: for Maintenance of Drainage Works, (Eng. Roushdi Sinarah), for Mechnical Equipment (Eng. Toot Sharabin) and for Planning, Evaluation and Training (Eng. Karam Gaid). This reflects the importance the new Chairman of EPADP is giving to these activities.

Chairman of the Drainage Evaluation Committee is the consultant (retired Undersecretary) Eng. Asaad Fahmy. Finally, Eng. Mohamed Hasan Amer has been appointed as Acting Director of the Drainage Research Institute, in replacing the late Osman El Ghamry.

Office Facilities: No progress has been made with the construction of the new office building of the Ministry of Irrigation and EPADP. The cost accounting unit will be located in the ex-training center of EPADP in Shoubra.

Nile Delta II Drainage Project

Bilharzia Control

A full report has been prepared by the Bank consultant and submitted to the Bank. A summary of the main findings is given below:

- Chemotherapy: A total of 2,300,000 people have now been examined of whom 696,000 (30%) were found to be infected with schistosoma haematobium following a single urine examination. About 676,000 patients received the first course of the drug, 629,000 the second course and 596,000 the third course, thus more than 88% of the infected people completed treatment. A total of 356,000 re-examinations have been made three months after treatment and 43,000 found positive, giving an approximate cure-rate of 88%. On 616,000 persons who were found to be negative following single urine examination, a second urine examination was applied and about 48,000 were found to be positive (7%). This gives an overall prevalence of 35%. If a third urine examination is applied, it will give a further increase in positives of about 3%. Therefore, it is considered that the true overall prevalence is probably 37%.
- 2. Snail Control Operations. Phase II 1978 operations conducted between June-July. The entire irrigation and drainage systems were treated in the Governorates of Beni Suef, Minya and Asyut. A total of 98.1 tons of Bayluscide was used. Post application snail evaluation records (15 days after complete coverage) show that a high level of control was achieved. The coverage of the entire area commanded by the Ibrahimia Canal from a single application point, added considerably to the overall efficiency of the work. Pre-application snail surveys, conducted in September, showed low levels of infestation. No biomphalaria alexandrina was found in any part of the system.

Phase III - 1978 commenced on September 20 in Asyut and September 16 in Minya and Beni Suef. The Ibrahimia Canal was again treated. The operations are still underway.

The overall efficiency of the snail control operations appears to be satisfactory. More attention should be given to human water contact points near habitations in urban centers.

3. <u>Epidemiological Evaluation</u>. The collection of age-specific prevalence data is "in hand" but the necessary computer banking and analysis by the Department of Statistics has not yet commenced. The re-examination of patients from areas of high, medium and low endemicity is now beginning and it is hoped to have these data available for a preliminary estimation of overall change in prevalence within five months. The independent evaluation team from the Institute of Tropical Medicine, Cairo, is continuing the studies in Beni Suef.

Although numerically inadequate for overall evaluation of the program, these data would serve for evaluation in the respective locations. The progress of control operations was fully reviewed and discussed in a meeting with the Bilharzia Advisory Committee. The need to increase the rate of patient examinations and chemotherapy, together with adequate follow-up examinations was stressed. Immediate action to improve the work was promised.

4. <u>Logistic Support</u>. The garage complex in Minya is still now in use having no water and electricity supplies. The garage complex in Beni Suef is incomplete. The Director promised that both complexes would be completed very soon.

The fleet of project vehicles appear to be operating efficiently. No spare parts have been delivered by the Drainage Authority.

There are adequate stocks of molluscicide and drug for all operations remaining this year and for most of 1979.

No allocations for incentive payments and extra labor costs have been made.

Upper Egypt Drainage II

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Dr. Mohamed Hassan Amer Acting Director Drainage Research Institute 13 Giza Road P.O. Box 33 Giza, Cairo Egypt

Dear Dr. Amer:

Please accept our congratulations for your appointment as Acting Director of the Drainage Research Institute. We are confident that with your training, experience and interest in the drainage problems of your country, you will supply the leadership to conduct programs that will successfully meet all challenges.

On the last mission to Egypt, Mr. Sands had a rewarding experience talking with you, the Dutch Consultants and Engineer Famad M. Ramadan about the monitoring and evaluation program as well as activities of the Drainage Research Institute. He also had a chance to review the various publications prepared by the Drainage Research Institute and the Dutch Consultants. These reports presented at the First Panel Meeting in January 1976 through to the Fifth Panel Meeting in August 1978 would be valuable to us, and we would appreciate having copies of them. The reports will help us to have a better understanding of the different components of the whole drainage program in Egypt, and also acquaint us with the research projects being conducted by the Drainage Research Institute. We would also like to be placed on your mailing list so that we can receive all future publications and reports prepared by the Dutch Consultants, especially those on the monitoring and evaluation program, and the Drainage Research Institute. We look forward to receiving these publications at your earliest convenience.

As you are aware, the criteria used for the design of the drainage system has been based on the principle that water table levels should be reduced to one meter below the ground surface within two to three days following irrigation. There still remains, however, some doubts as to whether the minimum, effective drainage depth of one meter is the optimum, agronomically and economically. With large future investments being scheduled, we believe that detailed field studies should be conducted in order to confirm or, if necessary, modify the design criteria. These studies, because of their importance, we hope you will include in the program of DRI.

Another highly significant subject, is that of gravel envelopes for field drains. Although it is true that the risk of sedimentation in the drains installed in clay soils is low, gravel envelopes could be justified in clay soils, on the basis of providing adequate permeability for the groundwater to move into joint openings without a significant loss of head. This improvement in hydraulic conductivity around the drains could be significant. We believe that the DRI could make a real contribution to the drainage program by conducting field tests, with an appropriate grade of gravel envelopes, to evaluate the benefits that could be derived from the use of gravel or other envelopes in each type of soil, and to determine the economic feasibility of using envelopes on tile drains. We trust you will give the above two matters priority in your research program.

I understand from our last mission that you have had only a brief chance to look over Dr. Hassan Aly Khedr's thesis expressing critical views on the drainage program. We urge you and your staff to review this thesis carefully so that a documented response can be prepared as soon as possible, in order to prevent inaccurate statements from being repeated. I know also that the Chairman of EPADP is also most anxious to put the record straight and wishes to assist you in preparing this reply. Dr. Yussef Wally of the Ministry of Agriculture has urged that his Ministry's views be taken into account as well. We would appreciate having a copy of your remarks as soon as prepared for our records.

Since the Chairman of EPAP is also keenly interested in our relationship with the drainage program, we have sent him a copy of this letter for his information.

With kind regards,

Sincerely yours,

Peter E. Naylor
Chief, Agriculture Division IV
Europe, Middle East and North Africa Region
Projects Department

cc: Mr. Ahmed Fahmy



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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20433.

20th November, 1978.

Dear Mr. Nay lot,

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Thank you for your letter of November 8th and for the copy of the letter to Dr. Mobarak.

I thought that you would be interested to know that the Project was highlighted last week at the Expert Committee Meeting on Schistosomiasis, which Dr. Mobarak and I were attending, and that it was extremely well received. There is a great deal of international appreciation of the Programme as an outstanding example of the public health approach to the problem.

I shall look forward to participating in the international meeting on schistosomiasis control in Cairo in April, 1979 and, of course, to combining it with the next supervision mission scheduled for the period March 30th to April 14th.

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Kind regards.

Yours sincerely,

Dr. G. Webbe. Scientific Director.

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November 16, 1978

Mr. Ahmed Fahmy
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for Drainage Projects
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Egypt

Dear Mr. Fahmy:

Reference is made to your letter of October 21 handed to our last project review mission, concerning the overall drainage program in Egypt.

Please find attached for your review and approval three copies of a revised overall drainage program for Bank projects only, concerning the period 1978-1984. You will notice that for the Year 1978, we have reduced the area expected to be provided with field drainage to 200,000 feddans. Since during the three quarters of this year the performance was only 124,000 feddans, we thought it was wiser to limit our expectations for the year to 200,000 feddans.

If you agree with the proposed program, please advise us accordingly.

With best regards.

Sincerely yours,

Peter E. Naylor Chief, Agriculture Division IV Europe, Middle East and North Africa Projects Department

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November 16, 1978

Mr. Ahmed Fahmy Chairman Egyptian Public Authority for Drainage Projects 5 A Elgoheiny Street Dokki-Giza Egypt

Dear Mr. Fahmy:

Reference is made to your two letters dated September 19 and September 23 concerning proposed changes in the project area of Upper Egypt I and II projects and Nile Delta I and II projects.

On the basis of the information furnished, we have no objection to your proposals. We are including herewith four tables showing, for each project, the areas considered at appraisal and the areas proposed. We will be grateful if you would examine carefully these tables and let us know if you agree with the figures. New maps showing the areas under each project will be prepared subsequently.

Please note that, according to your proposals, the total areas in Nile Delta I and Nile Delta II projects are being increased by 10,000 and 18,000 feddans, respectively. We would like to avoid such an increase, thus, in reviewing the tables, please try to cut some areas in order to reduce the totals to the original figures.

Sincerely yours,

Peter E. Naylor Chief, Agriculture Division IV Europe, Middle East and North Africa Projects Department

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TO: Mr. Peter E. Naylor, Chief, EMPA4

FROM: Paris Economides, EMPA4

SUBJECT: EGYPT - Back-to-Office Report--October 3-25, 1978 Mission

EGT- New Lands Development

1. Drainage Projects 1/

Remodelling of open drains is progressing on schedule. Nile Delta Drainage I has been completed and it is anticipated that Upper Egypt Drainage I will be completed within the year.

Due to the serious shortage of cement in the country, progress with field . drainage is behind schedule. As of September 30, about 124,000 feddans were provided with field drainage compared to a target of 220,000 feddans for the year. With the delivery of cement, procured with IDA funds from Romania, a better performance is expected for the fourth quarter. EPADP is confident that the target of the year will be attained, however, the mission thinks that the achievement of the year will be between 180,000 and 200,000 feddans.

Progress with pumping stations is satisfactory. Civil works for the last pumping station in Nile Delta I have been completed and installation of machinery will start soon. Moderate progress is being made with the construction of pumping stations in Upper Egypt.

The contract with Cincinati Milacron Co. was signed on October 21, 1978 after almost six months of hard negotiations. The firm was the only bidder in the tender for the supply and installation of machinery for the three PVC pipe factories in Upper Egypt II, financed by USAID. According to the contract the first factory will become operable by September 1979, the second and third by October and November respectively, i.e. two years behind schedule.

Satisfactory arrangements were made by EPADP for the maintenance of field drainage. Arrangements are also underway for the maintenance of open drains, which, according to a Ministerial decree, will come under the responsibility of EPADP from January 1, 1979. These are encouraging steps towards the solution of the chronic problem of maintenance of drainage works.

Another positive step is that implementation of the new drainage evaluation program has begun. The program is being carried out by the Drainage Research Institute with the assistance of Dutch consultants, and it is expected, within two years, to provide accurate data on the effect of drainage works on yields and soil properties.

EPADP is proposing some minor changes in the project areas of the drainage projects to reflect priorities and delays in completion of pumping stations.

These changes will not affect the total area of each project. Revised maps and tables of areas to be provided with field drainage have been prepared to this effect.

In view of the performance of last year and the delays in the procurement of PVC factories, the overall drainage program has been discussed. A new program, covering the period 1979-1984, is now proposed by EPADP for Bank's approval.

No substantial progress was made in establishing the cost accounting system and in carrying out the socio-economic study on the ability of farmers to pay for drainage works.

2. Bilharzia Control Program1/

The plan of operation for the Bilharzia Program under Nile Delta Drainage II Project (area covered from Asyut Barrage to Aswan Dam) has been prepared and submitted to the Bank for review.

Snail control operations from Giza to Asyut Barrage are proceeding on schedule. Chemotherapy is making good progress. The number of people examined reached 2,300,000 of whom about 700,000 were found to be infected. Re-examination after treatment were made on 356,000 people. The cure rate was found to be 88%.

Some progress is being made in the evaluation of the Bilharzia program. The collection of epidemiological data at field level will start in November using the new system. It is expected that by March 1979 some reasonable data will be available for review.

The Bilharzia Control program under Upper Egypt Drainage I and II Projects will be completed by the end of 1979, while the program under Nile Delta Drainage II Project will be completed by the end of 1981. The continuation of the Bilharzia Control effort after completion of the ongoing projects has been discussed with officials from the Ministry of Health and the Bank consultant. It was recognized that in order to maintain the good results already obtained and to prevent the infestation in Upper Egypt of Biomphalaria alexandrina, the snail host of S. mansoni, it is absolutely necessary to continue the snail control operations and the chemoterapy for at least another five years. It is estimated that, to maintain the Bilharzia Control in Upper Egypt, about 400 tons of molluscicide and adequate amount of drugs will be required annually at an estimated cost of US\$ 6 million. To this effect, it is proposed to invite the Undersecretary of State of the Ministry

^{1/} Details will be provided in the supervision reports and in Dr. Webbe's progress report.

of Health, Dr. Mobarak, and the Bank consultant, Dr. Webbe, to visit Washington for one week, by January 1979, to discuss the serious problem of continuation of the Bilharzia Control effort in Upper Egypt and the eventual expansion of the program in the Delta.

3. Nubariya Seed Farm

Opening of bids for the construction of the Main Nubariya Drain between km 28.4 and 67.6 is scheduled for November 17. Interest for the tender has been expressed by several foreign and local contractors. Estimated cost LE 10 mil.

Halcrow Consultants have submitted to EPADP a report examining the two alternative solutions, loop or tunnel, for the part of the Main Nubariya Drain between km 28.4 and 7.8. The cost for the two solutions is almost the same, about LE 14 million. EPADP has decided to proceed with the tendering, requesting the tenderers to submit offers for the two solutions alternatively. Tender documents are being prepared to this effect.

Progress with the three contracts awarded for the lower part of the Drain, from km 0.0 to km 7.8, (not financed by the Bank) is as follows:

Contract 1 (km 0 to km 2.3): Excavation will be completed by the end of 1978. Civil works for structures completed by 60%.

Contract 2 (km 2.3 to km 3.8): Completed

Contract 3 (km 3.8 to km 7.8): Earth works (dykes) completed by 60%.

Civil works for structures completed by 95%.

The study for the outfall structure carried out by the Drainage Research Institute is nearly completed. This structure will be included in the loop/tunnel tender.

It should be mentioned that the estimated cost for the parts of the drain financed by the Bank's loan (km 7.8 to km 76.7) is about LE 24 million compared to the appraisal estimate of about LE 14.3 million. Therefore, there is a total cost overrun of about LE 9.7 million. The estimated foreign exchange cost overrun is about US\$ 5 million.

Halcrow Consultants have also prepared draft tender documents and drawings for remodelling of the open drains in the seed farm. They are being reviewed by EPADP and the Nubariya Seed Farm. EPADP made an offer to execute this contract with a charge of 3% to cover administrative expenses.

A study is being carried out by the Drainage Research Institute to install covered field drainage in a pilot area of 200 feddans in the Seed Farm. This pilot drainage project aims at determining drainage criteria to be applied on the whole farm. An agreement has been reached between the Seed Farm and EPADP for the execution of the work upon completion of the study and for the monitoring of the drainage system thereafter.

Halcrow's study on the rehabilitation of irrigation networks has not yet been completed.

In view of the complexity of irrigation and drainage problems in the Nubariya Seed Farm and the delays that have occurred in the implementation of the rehabilitation program, a systematic and frequent supervision of the drainage and irrigation components is recommended.

4. New Lands Development - West Nubariya Irrigation Project

The preparation of the feasibility study of the West Nubariya project was discussed at a meeting with Mr. M. Rayner, team leader of ULG Consultants and his deputy Mr. C. Warr. The consultant team, consisting of more than 25 experts and consultants is arriving in Egypt and full activities are expected to start at the beginning of November. A total of about 140 man-months of expatriate consultants will be required to carry out the feasibility study which inter-alia will include a socio-economic and settlement study.

The Project Brief of June 14, 1978 has been discussed with the ULG team leader and some additional information and clarifications were given. The need to justify yield assumptions, farm prices and production costs in the feasibility report has been emphasized. A copy of the memo of Mr. Peters of August 9, 1978 with comments on soil suitability of the West Nubariya area and additional soil studies required has been handed to Mr. Rayner.

The interim report will be completed by end of Feburary 1979 and the final report by the end of July 1979. Therefore, the preappraisal Bank mission should be postponed for the beginning of March 1979 in order to coincide with the review of the interim report. The appraisal mission should be rescheduled for mid-August 1979.

5. Mechanized Farm

Discussions were held with Mr. P. Bonmaison, team leader of the FAO/UNDP West Nubariya Project, Dr. Naguib Hassan, Director of the Project, Mr. A. El Jaff, FAO Country Representative and Dr. Youssef Wally, Technical Advisor of the Ministry of Agriculture, on the future of the Mechanized Farm in West Nubariya, which covers an area of 10,000 feddans. A visit was made to the farm during which the present situation of the irrigation and drainage systems was discussed with the engineer in charge. The general conclusion is that the farm needs complete rehabilitation. The objectives of the rehabilitation are to:

- (a) improve the quality of water in the main canal (total salts exceeding 2,000 ppm) by constructing deep tile drains on both sides of the canal to intercept drainage water flowing into the canal and by evacuating the drainage water through small pump units into the El Nour drain;
 - (b) protect the banks of the main canal with gabions;
- (c) remodel all the existing open drains (minimum required depth 2.50 m compared to the present depth of 1.50 m);
 - (d) install covered field drainage in the whole area of the farm;
- (e) improve irrigation network and apply in the sandy soils (50-60% of the area) sprinkler irrigation;
 - (f) improve levelling for the remaining area of surface irrigation;
 - (g) revise cropping patterns and agricultural techniques;
 - (h) provide the necessary farm machinery and equipment; and
- (i) study management and development alternatives including the distribution of the land to smallholders.

The estimated cost of the above works is about US\$ 20 million (including settlement cost) of which about US\$ 10 million foreign cost. Detailed field investigations have been carried out by the FAO/UNDP project. An invitation was sent to four consultant firms to submit proposals for the preparation of the feasibility study on the basis of terms of reference already prepared. The study will be financed by FAO/UNDP project. It is expected that the selection of the consultant firm will be made before the end of the year and the feasibility study together with detailed design and tender documents will be ready by the end of July 1979. During my discussions with Dr. Wally, I understood that the Government is interested in Bank financing of this project and that a decision has been already made by the Ministry for the distribution of the land to small settlers.

In view of the above developments, I would recommend to include the rehabilitation of the Mechanized Farm in the West Nubariya project. In this way the Bank will play a major role in the development of the country's land and water resources by introducing a sound strategy for development of new lands and for rehabilitation of areas that have not adequately reclaimed. The inclusion in the project of a small bilharzia control component, aiming at preventing the expansion of the disease in the project area, could also be considered. This should be discussed with Dr. Mobarak and Dr. Webbe during their next visit to Washington.

It is a happy coincidence that the feasibility study of both projects will be ready at the same time, i.e. by the end of July 1979. The New Lands Development preappraisal mission, scheduled to visit Egypt early March, could further discuss this matter with the Government. It is worth mentioning that the rehabilitation of the Mechnized Farm might be followed in the future by rehabilitation of similar projects in the Nubariya area such as Mariut, North Tahrir, Thawra, etc.

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November 8, 1978

Dr. Almotaz Mobarak Undersecretary Ministry of Health Cairo, Egypt

Dear Dr. Mobarak:

We were very pleased to learn from our consultant, Dr. G. Webbe, who recently visited Egypt, that snail control operations are continuing to be applied efficiently, and that mollusciciding in the Ibrahimia Canal again proved very successful, giving excellent coverage in the irrigated area under its command, and providing important protection against infestation by Biomphalaria alexandrina, along its course and in branch canals.

We were also pleased to learn that satisfactory progress is being made with chemotherapy in many parts of the project area. However, as Dr. Webbe discussed with you, a greater effort should be made to increase the rate of patient examination and treatment throughout the project area, particularly in Beni Suef Governorate, in order to obtain the optimum control benefit from the combined chemotherapy-snail control strategy.

We are very sorry to learn that the independent evaluation teams have not produced adequate epidemiological evaluation data, but are encouraged that new teams of Ministry personnel have now been trained to undertake this work, and that the collection, banking and analysis of epidemiological data are receiving high priority. We hope that initial results will be available for appraisal early in 1979 in order to estimate the cost-effectiveness of the control strategy. This is vitally important as a basis of scientific justification for the applied measures and in order to support the expansion of control activities in other areas.

We are also concerned that the garage complex in Minya is still not in use and that there are no central garage and maintenance facilities there or in Beni Suef. In addition, we hope that the question of payment of incentives and overtime to field staff involved in the Bilharzia control program will be settled soon.

We are conscious of the need to consider the on-going application of control measures in the project area during the maintenance phase, i.e. post-1979. Accordingly, we would very much appreciate if you could attend a short meeting in Washington early in 1979 for this purpose, and to review the general progress of the work and the expansion of Bilharzia control activities in Upper Egypt. Please let us know when it would be convenient for you to come to Washington to discuss these matters.

Finally, we should like to thank you again very much for the assistance and hospitality extended by you and your staff to Dr. Webbe on his recent visit to review the progress of the program.

With kind regards.

Sincerely yours,

Peter E. Naylor Chief, Agriculture Division IV Europe, Middle East and North Africa Projects Department

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November 8, 1978

Dr. Gerald Webbe Scientific Director London School of Hygiene & Tropical Medicine Winches Farm Field Station 395 Hatfield Road St. Albans Herts

Dear Dr. Webbe:

Thank you very much for your letter of October 27 with the attached supervision report. We, at the Bank, are pleased with the considerable progress the Bilharzia Control Program is making in Egypt, and we appreciate very much your participation and efforts in promoting this program.

The Bank's policy is to make careful inquiries into criticism of our activities made by a third party. In the particular case mentioned in your letter, we understand that there is no constructive proposal for improving the quality of work. We, therefore, consider the matter closed.

We have sent a letter to Dr. Mobarak inviting him to come to Washington early in 1979 to discuss the ongoing program and the measures required to assure its continuation after completion of the Bank's projects. We would much appreciate it if you would attend these discussions. Arrangements for your visit to Washington will be made as soon as we know the date Dr. Mobarak is planning to arrive.

We would also like you to participate in the international meeting on schistosomiasis control in Cairo in April 1979. This could be combined with your next supervision mission scheduled for the period March 30 to April 14.

Thanking you for your cooperation and assistance.

Sincerely yours,

Peter E. Naylor Chief, Agriculture Division IV Europe, Middle East and North Africa Projects Department

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EGT. Ln. 1439/1440/719 November 6, 1978 Dr. Almotaz Mobarak Undersecretary Ministry of Health Cairo, Egypt Tender for Procurement of Vehicles for the Bilharzia Control Program Credit 719/Loan 1439-1440 Dear Dr. Mobarak: Reference is made to the specifications handed to Mr. Economides for the procurement of vehicles under the Nile Delta Drainage II Project and to our cable of November 2. We enclosed herewith a complete set of tender documents, adjusted for the purpose of your tender. Please make the necessary corrections and additions shown in ink in the Chapters 1 and 2. We will be grateful if you would furnish us with two copies of the documents as issued and if you would advise us by cable of the date of the issued tenders and the date of bid opening. With best regards.

Sincerely yours,

Peter E. Naylor
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27th October, 1978.

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Dear Mr. Naylor,

I am enclosing herewith my report of the recent supervision mission in Egypt, during which I carried out all the items listed in the terms of reference.

As reported earlier, this year snail control operations are going well, progress is being made with chemotherapy - but the pace is too slow, and epidemiological evaluation still requires a lot of work.

I understand that criticisms have been made by personnel of NAMRU 3 about the scale and quality of operations in the project. I had a very useful discussion with Capt. Watten at NAMRU and it is clear that they have no data for the present project area which would assist evaluation. The NAMRU group is undertaking somewhat esoteric research in a limited area of Luxor district, which will be covered under Delta Drainage II. I think that the remarks which have been made are generally typical of a research group with little understanding of the problems of a 'public health programme' on the scale being undertaken. The argument that we should employ an army of experts in the programme reflects their total ignorance of, or insensitivity to, the Egyptian attitude to expatriate participation in any National programme. It probably explains NAMRU's general lack of impact on health programmes in Egypt during the past 30 years. While useful data may be available from Luxor for evaluation purposes under Delta Drainage II, it is very doubtful whether it will be accepted by the Ministry of Health.

As mentioned in my report, there will be an international meeting on schistosomiasis control in Cairo in April, 1979, to which I have been invited and which, with your approval, I shall attend. I confidently expect that we will have some evaluation data by that time!

Paris Economides and I considered the ongoing control work in the project area post-1979 and it would be very useful to discuss this with Dr. Mobarak in order to establish their Ministry's future tole and needs during the maintenance phase of operations. I will be happy to undertake a future supervision mission in March-April, 1979, and could do this during the period March 30th - April 14th, 1979. It will be necessary then, of course, to visit the Upper Egypt Project area to be covered under Delta Drainage II.

With kind regards.

Yours sincerely,

Dr. G. Webbe D. Scientific Director.

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Dear Mr Naylor,

With reference to the discussions with Mr Economides and his colleagues during the period October 4 to 21,1978, I would like to enclose the revised program for Drainage projects agreed upon. Detailed scheahules and follow up reports will be prepared accordingly.

Sincerely yours,

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