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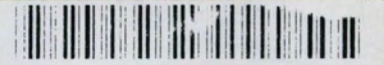
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August 30, 1978

Excellency:

The International Bank for Reconstruction and Development proposes to borrow an aggregate principal amount of Yen 70,000,000,000 in Japan from a consortium of Japanese banks and insurance companies. The borrowing would have a term of 20 years and would bear interest at the rate of 7.60% per annum, payable semi-annually.

The Government of Japan is hereby requested, in accordance with Section 1(b) of Article IV of the Articles of Agreement of the Bank, to approve this borrowing by the Bank in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed Yen 70,000,000,000. The Government of Japan is further requested to agree, pursuant to the same provision of the Articles of Agreement, that the proceeds of such borrowing may be exchanged for the currency of any other member of the Bank without restriction.

Sincerely yours,

Robert S. McNamara  
President

by Ernest Stern

His Excellency  
Tatsuo Murayama  
Minister of Finance  
Ministry of Finance  
Tokyo, Japan

cc: Mr. Susumu Murayama, Executive Director

Cleared with and cc: Mr. Heininger, Legal Dept.

cc: for Mr. McNamara's Office (2)

Mr. Cargill, Senior Vice President, Finance

Mr. Rotberg, Vice President and Treasurer

Mr. Hittmair, Director and Deputy Treasurer

Yen Bonds #26

HMoya/JPUhrig:jm



493 15/272

August 11, 1978

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. CLARK

We will face the same difficulties in the U.S. Congress next year in obtaining support for IDA appropriations as we have in recent weeks. I understand that next year will be declared the "Year of the Child". Could we not put together for use with the White House (particularly Henry Owen) a statement of how our Bank programs are so changing fundamental conditions in the rural areas as to be substantially advancing the welfare of children? Such a statement should strengthen our position in the Congress.

*RMcN/b.*  
RMcN

RMcN:bmm



493/5/271

AUG 11 1978

Dear Mr. Morse:

Thank you very much for your letter of August 2, 1978 asking whether I could propose suitable candidates for the post of Chief Controller for Zaire's Ministry of Finance. President Mobutu approached me recently on this matter directly, but I had to inform him, on July 31, that we did not have any particular expertise in treasury procedures and did not consider ourselves prepared to propose candidates for this sensitive assignment. I understand, however, that the IMF is prepared to provide the Government of Zaire with a list of candidates for this post, and you may wish to contact the IMF concerning their intentions.

We would like to be helpful in the search for an appropriate candidate. Should we identify a suitable person, we will not fail to advise you.

Sincerely,

[(Signed) Robert S. McNamara]

Robert S. McNamara

Mr. Bradford Morse  
The Administrator  
United Nations Development Programme  
1 United Nations Plaza  
New York, N. Y. 10017

NFaltas/SSchott:mfb

August 11, 1978



493/5/259

August 2, 1978

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. STERN

When you return, please discuss with me the progress, or lack of progress, of the Egyptian population program.

Marshall Green reports a tempestuous discussion of the subject during the recent meeting of the Consultative Group in Paris. He believes there should be a follow-up meeting in Cairo in November, chaired perhaps by the Prime Minister and attended by the Bank, U.S. AID, UNFPA, and the British, among others. I promised him that following your return either you or I would call him on August 15 or 16 to give him our views.

RMcN

RMcN:bmm



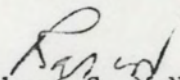
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Office of the President

July 12, 1978

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. CHENERY

The foundation of the World Development Report is, of course, the economic model for which Russ Cheetham is responsible. It would have been impossible to have completed WDR I on time, and in the form in which it was published, had there not been a direct relationship between D.C. Rao and Cheetham. Has a similar relationship between Acharya and Cheetham been established? Is it clear that it is not necessary for Acharya to move through Chenery, Karaosmanoglu and Hughes in order to carry on the contacts with Cheetham which he needs in order to fulfill his responsibilities?

  
Robert S. McNamara

cc: Mr. Stern



404/3/206

August 23, 1978

Dear Ted:

In your letter dated August 8 you asked whether I would be willing to join with 100 others in the educational projects being planned as part of the Kennedy Library dedication celebration on October 20. I shall be happy to do so. However, rather than speak to a large assembly, I would much prefer to meet with small classes and/or seminars of students and faculty.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

*Bob*

Robert S. McNamara

The Honorable  
Edward M. Kennedy  
United States Senate  
Washington, D. C. 20510



493/5/284

AUG 18 1978

Dear Maurice:

Thank you for sending me the report prepared by Dr. Myer Cohen in his capacity as Chairman of the Ad Hoc Working Group on Rural Potable Water Supply and Sanitation. It has been read here with interest and some perplexity.

I would say to you only that the position taken by the Bank representatives at the last meeting of the Working Group was taken with my full and prior knowledge and authority. While that particular undertaking in international cooperation did not have an immediately successful outcome although it was given ample time and opportunity to prove itself, I am confident that the will within the system, certainly within the Bank, to engage in cooperative undertakings is far from dead and the prospects for successful cooperation on other occasions far from poor. UNDP and WHO have recently proposed another approach, intended to help carry out decisions taken at the U.N. Water Conference, under which regional and global action would support national objectives. This initiative would build upon existing inter-agency mechanisms and we have agreed to participate in the effort. Other agencies including, I would hope, IDRC, would be invited to join in the exercise.

I regret that the earlier effort was not successful. I assure you this was not for lack of good will on the part of the Bank (or, I believe, on the part of any other participant), and I would hope for better results next time. I know I do not need to insist to you, or to IDRC's Board of Governors, on the Bank's commitment to the cause of safe water supply and adequate sanitation for both rural and urban areas, or to its responsibilities as a member of the U.N. family.

With kind personal regards,

Sincerely,

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara

Robert S. McNamara

Mr. Maurice F. Strong  
Chairman  
International Development  
Research Centre  
Box 8500  
Ottawa, Canada K1G 3H9

SEBoskey/rob  
August 18, 1978

Cleared w/& cc: Mr. Rovani  
Mr. Kalbermatten  
cc: Mr. Baum



AUG 18 1978

AUG 20 1978  
493/5/283

Dear Mr. Conte:

I have followed with interest the recent debate on HR 12931, the Foreign Aid Appropriations Bill. Your efforts in Committee and on the Floor were most valuable in preventing damaging restrictions from being imposed on U.S. participation in the World Bank. For this and limiting the reduction of IDA funding we are most grateful.

I also want to extend my thanks to your legislative assistant, Robert James.

Sincerely,

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara

Robert S. McNamara

The Honorable  
Silvio Conte  
2300 Rayburn House Office Building  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Washington, D.C. 20515

PRiddleberger/pwm  
August 21, 1978



403/5 1282

AUG 18 1978

Dear Mr. Foley:

I have followed with interest the recent debates on HR 12931, the Foreign Aid Appropriations Bill. Your efforts on the Floor were most valuable in preventing damaging commodity restrictions from being imposed on U.S. participation in the World Bank. For this we are most grateful.

Sincerely,

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara

Robert S. McNamara

The Honorable  
Thomas S. Foley  
1201 Longworth House Office Building  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Washington, D.C. 20515

PRiddleberger:pwm  
August 21, 1978



493/5 1201

AUG 18 1978

Dear Mr. McHugh:

I have followed with interest the recent debate on HR 12931, the Foreign Aid Appropriations Bill. Your efforts in Committee and on the Floor were most valuable in preventing damaging restrictions from being imposed on U.S. participation in the World Bank. For this and limiting the reductions of IDA funding we are most grateful.

I also want to extend my thanks to your legislative assistant, Gary Bombardier.

Sincerely,

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara

Robert S. McNamara

The Honorable  
Mathew McHugh  
1204 Longworth House Office Building  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Washington, D.C. 20515

PRiddleberger/pwm  
August 21, 1978



493/5 1280  
AUG 18 1978

Dear Mr. Wilson:

I have followed with interest the recent debate on HR 12931, the Foreign Aid Appropriations Bill. Your efforts in Committee and on the Floor were most valuable in preventing damaging restrictions from being imposed on U.S. participation in the World Bank. For this and limiting the reduction of IDA funding we are most grateful.

I also want to extend my thanks to your legislative assistant, Noel Homes.

Sincerely,

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara

Robert S. McNamara

The Honorable  
Charles Wilson  
1214 Longworth House Office Building  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Washington, D.C. 20515

PRiddleberger/pwm  
August 21, 1978



17376 1230  
AUG 18 1978

Dear Mr. Hyde:

I have followed with interest the recent debate on HR 12931, the Foreign Aid Appropriations Bill. Your efforts on the floor were most valuable in preventing reductions and restrictions from being imposed on U.S. participation in the World Bank.

Sincerely,

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara

Robert S. McNamara

The Honorable  
Henry J. Hyde  
1206 Longworth House Office Building  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Washington, D.C. 20515

PRiddleberger/pwm  
August 21, 1978



493/5/279

AUG 18 1978

Dear Maurice:

Thank you for sending me the report prepared by Dr. Myer Cohen in his capacity as Chairman of the Ad Hoc Working Group on Rural Potable Water Supply and Sanitation. It has been read here with interest and some perplexity.

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With kind personal regards,

Sincerely,

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara

Robert S. McNamara

Mr. Maurice F. Strong  
Chairman  
International Development  
Research Centre  
Box 8500  
Ottawa, Canada K1G 3H9

SEBoskey/rob  
August 18, 1978

Cleared w/& cc: Mr. Rovani  
Mr. Kalbermatten  
cc: Mr. Baum



493/5 1278  
AUG 17 1978

Dear Mr. Obey:

I have followed with interest the recent debate on HR 12931, the Foreign Aid Appropriations Bill. Your efforts in Committee and on the floor were most valuable in preventing damaging restrictions from being imposed on U.S. participation in the World Bank. For this and limiting the reduction of IDA funding we are most grateful.

I also want to extend my thanks to your legislative assistant, Michael Marek.

Sincerely,

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara

Robert S. McNamara

The Honorable  
David Obey  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Washington, D.C. 20515

PRiddleberger:pm  
August 16, 1978

cc: Mr. Merriam (o/r)



493/5 1277

AUG 17 1978

Dear Mr. Kazi:

Thank you for inviting me to the ministerial meeting of the Group of 24. I shall be pleased to attend. I will be accompanied by Mr. Stern, our Vice President for Operations, who would represent me if the pressure of the Annual Meeting should force me to be absent during any part of the discussion.

I look forward to seeing you again in September.

Sincerely,

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara

Robert S. McNamara

Mr. A.G.N. Kazi  
Chairman, Group of 24  
Governor  
State Bank of Pakistan  
Karachi, Pakistan

EStern/l  
August 16, 1978



493/5 1276

AUG 17 1978

Your Excellency:

Thank you very much for your letter of August 6 on your drainage projects and for your kind words of appreciation for the excellent cooperation between your Government and the Bank.

The Vice President for EMENA Region, who is responsible for these projects has reported to me that Bank staff had useful discussions with your mission and have gone over in detail the various points you mention with a view to helping the Drainage Authority accelerate progress on these projects. Your mission will no doubt report to you the various agreements which were reached.

I have asked EMENA Region to keep me informed of the progress you make in reaching the rates of drainage installation you outlined to me last winter so that as many people and as large an area as possible can benefit from these projects.

With best regards,

Sincerely,

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara

Robert S. McNamara

His Excellency  
Abdel Azim Abul Atta  
Minister of Irrigation & Sudan Affairs  
Ministry of Irrigation & Land Reclamation  
Cairo, Egypt

cc: for Mr. McNamara's Office  
P. Naylor: sm  
cleared with and cc: Mr. Köpp, Mr. Haynes  
August 16, 1978



493/5 1273

AUG 14 1978

Dear Halfdan:

Thank you for your letter of July 28 concerning your proposal for "Cooperative Action for the Drinking Water Supply and Sanitation Decade" as agreed in recent meetings between you and Brad Morse and members of your staffs and in which you seek the World Bank's cooperation. As you note, the proposals have also been the subject of discussion with staff of the Bank.

I am pleased to confirm that the Bank, which is already a participant in the Steering Committee for the UNDP/WHO and UNDP/Bank interregional projects on drinking water supply and sanitation, would be willing to continue to serve on the Steering Committee for the proposed cooperative action, and is prepared to attend the "consultative meeting" now contemplated for November 17. Mr. John M. Kalbermatten, Water and Wastes Adviser in the Bank's Energy, Water and Telecommunications Department, will represent the Bank.

Sincerely,

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara

Robert S. McNamara

Dr. Halfdan Mahler  
Director-General  
World Health Organization  
1211 Geneva 27  
Switzerland

August 11, 1978

SEBoskey/rob

Cleared w/& cc: Mr. Kalbermatten



493 / 5 / 269

AUG 10 1978

Dear Mr. Watanabe:

Thank you for your most kind letter on the occasion of the completion of our recent yen bond issue in the Tokyo capital market. We very much appreciate your expression of support in our development efforts and look forward to continuing our relationship with your excellent institution.

Sincerely,

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara

Robert S. McNamara

Mr. Shogo Watanabe  
Chairman  
The Nikko Securities Co., Ltd.  
3-1, Marunouchi 3-chome, Chiyoda-ku  
Tokyo 100, Japan

EHRotberg:ccc  
August 9, 1978

cc: Mr. McNamara's Office (2)



493/5/268

AUG 9 1978

Dear Jim:

Thanks for sending along a selection of publications showing the interest of American business in development and related issues. They show strong and positive trends. The Bank is interested in expanding our contacts with the business community, particularly with suppliers and others who have a direct interest in development projects. I am therefore glad that O.D.C. is paying special attention to these matters. We need to encourage Americans to understand that dealing with the developing countries can be an important part of their lives. I hope you will keep us posted on O.D.C. activities in this field.

With best regards,  
Sincerely,

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara

Robert S. McNamara

Mr. James P. Grant  
President  
Overseas Development Council  
1717 Massachusetts Avenue, N.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20036

August 7, 1978  
JEMerriam:rgw



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August 7, 1978

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. ACHARYA

Subject: World Development Report

Is there not an error in the World Development Report in Table 5 which shows Malawi's "Resource Balance" for 1976 as 16. Should it not be minus 16? If so, please correct it in future editions.

*RMcNp.*

Robert S. McNamara

RMcN:bmm



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The World Bank / 1818 H Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20433, U.S.A. • Telephone: (202) 393-6360 • Cables: INTBAFRAD

August 4, 1978

Price Waterhouse & Co.  
1801 K Street, N.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20006

Dear Sirs:

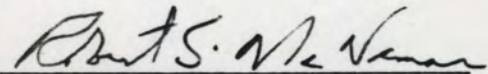
With respect to the financial statements of the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development at June 30, 1977, and for the five years then ended included in the Prospectus relating to the 5-3/4% Deutsche Mark Bonds of 1978, due 1984 and the 6% Deutsche Mark Bonds of 1978, due 1988 in the aggregate principal amount of DM 400 million, we reconfirm the statements made in our letter of July 29, 1977, except that payments due to the Bank under loan agreements but unpaid at August 3, 1978 are as shown on the attached list.

There have been no developments since July 29, 1977, which would materially affect the financial statements included in the above-mentioned Prospectus.

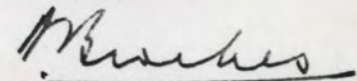
On April 1, 1978, the Second Amendment to the Articles of Agreement of the International Monetary Fund entered into force. The Bank has under consideration the effect of this Amendment on the valuation of its capital and the rights and obligations of members with respect thereto. Should the SDR be substituted for the 1944 dollar for the purpose of valuing the capital stock of the Bank, it is not expected that this would have a material effect on its financial position or the results of its operations.

The unaudited financial statements of the Bank at March 31, 1978 and for the nine-month periods ended March 31, 1977 and 1978, also included in the Prospectus, have been prepared on a basis consistent in all material respects with that followed in the preparation of the audited financial statements for the year ended June 30, 1977, and we are not aware of any matters or occurrences up to the present time which would materially affect such statements.

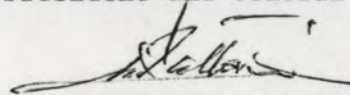
Sincerely,



President



Vice President and General Counsel



Controller

Attachment



493/5/265

AUG 4 1978

Office of the President

Dear Dr. Leutwiler:

I would like to express my appreciation for the continued access to the Swiss market which you and your institution have permitted the World Bank and, beyond that, for the special exemption from various restrictions which you have accorded in respect of the subscription to World Bank bonds. Through your action and the valuable advice we receive from you and your institution, the Swiss banking community and investors in Swiss franc bonds continue to make a most valuable contribution to the World Bank's development efforts.

Thank you warmly for your cooperation and assistance in our endeavors.

Sincerely,

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara

Robert S. McNamara

Dr. Fritz Leutwiler  
President  
Banque Nationale Suisse  
8022 Zurich  
Switzerland

cc: For Mr. McNamara's office (2)  
Mr. Cargill  
Mr. Rotberg  
Mr. Uhrig/Fin. Ops. Div. File

JPUhrig:ls  
8/2/78



493/5/264  
AUG 4 1978

Office of the President

Dear Dr. Lutolf:

I would like to express my appreciation for the new public borrowing of SwF250 million concluded for the World Bank by the Swiss banking syndicate. Under the leadership of your institution and of the other two banks, the Swiss banking community and investors in Swiss franc bonds continue to make a valuable contribution to the World Bank's development efforts. We very much appreciate your continued support of the World Bank's endeavors in raising funds in the private and public markets of Switzerland and look forward to developing further the close relationship we have enjoyed with your institution over the years.

Please extend my appreciation also to the other two banks, as well as other members of our Swiss syndicate, for their support of our borrowing operations.

Sincerely,

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara

Robert S. McNamara

Dr. Franz J. Lutolf  
General Manager and Member  
of the Executive Board  
Swiss Bank Corporation  
1, Aeschenvorstadt  
CH-4002 Basle  
Switzerland

cc: For Mr. McNamara's office (2) ✓  
Mr. Cargill  
Mr. Rotberg  
Mr. Uhrig/Fin.Ops.Div. File

JPUhrig:ls  
8/2/78



493/5663

AUG 4 1978

Dear George:

The Annual Meetings of the International Monetary Fund and The World Bank will be held this year at the Sheraton-Park Hotel in Washington, D.C., from Monday, September 25, through Thursday, September 28. Once again I wish to extend a warm invitation to you and hope that you will be able to join us on this occasion.

If you are able to attend, please let me know whether Louie will accompany you, your expected dates of arrival in, and departure from Washington, D.C., and whether you will need hotel accommodation for your stay in Washington.

With warm personal regards.

Sincerely,

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara

Robert S. McNamara

Mr. George D. Woods  
The First Boston Corporation  
277 Park Avenue  
New York, N.Y. 10017

CVBaber  
August 2, 1978

cc: Mr. McNamara's Office (2)



493/5/262

AUG 4 1978

Dear Gene:

The Annual Meetings of the International Monetary Fund and The World Bank will be held this year at the Sheraton-Park Hotel in Washington, D.C., from Monday, September 25, through Thursday, September 28. Once again I wish to extend a cordial invitation to you and hope that you will be able to join us on this occasion.

If you are able to attend, please let me know whether Sue will accompany you, your expected dates of arrival in, and departure from Washington, D.C., and whether you will need hotel accommodation for your stay in Washington.

With warm personal regards.

Sincerely,

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara  
Robert S. McNamara

Mr. Eugene R. Black  
American Express Company  
American Express Plaza  
New York, N.Y. 10004

CVBaber  
August 2, 1978

cc: Mr. McNamara's Office (2)



493/5/261

AUG 4 1978

Dear Jack:

The Annual Meetings of the International Monetary Fund and The World Bank will be held this year at the Sheraton-Park Hotel in Washington, D.C., from Monday, September 25, through Thursday, September 28. Once again I wish to extend an invitation to you and hope that you will be able to join us on this occasion.

If you are able to attend, please let me know whether Ellen will accompany you, your expected dates of arrival in, and departure from Washington, D.C., and whether you will need hotel accommodation for your stay in Washington.

With warm personal regards.

Sincerely,

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara  
Robert S. McNamara

Mr. John J. McCloy  
Milbank, Tweed, Hadley & McCloy  
1 Chase Manhattan Plaza  
New York, N.Y. 10005

CVBaber  
August 2, 1978

cc: Mr. McNamara's Office (2)



Yellow

493/5/260

AUG 2 1978

Dear Cesar:

In response to the request of the Development Committee at its September 1977 meeting, the staffs of the Bank and the Fund have jointly prepared the attached paper on the Stabilization of Export Earnings.

The Bank Board discussed it at its meeting on July 18, 1978 and concluded that it should be transmitted to the Development Committee as a staff study with a summary of the Board discussion. The summary of the Board discussion will be sent to the Development Committee Secretariat.

Sincerely

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara

Robert S. McNamara

Attachment

The Honorable  
Cesar Virata  
Chairman, Development Committee  
Secretary of Finance  
Government of the Philippines  
Manila, Philippines

Mr. McNamara's office (2)  
cc: Sir Richard King  
Mr. Stern

AKaraosmanoglu:mb



493/5/255

JUL 31 1978

Citoyen Président Fondateur  
Mobutu Sese Seko Kuku Ngbendu Wa Za Banga  
Président de la République du Zaïre  
Kinshasa, Zaïre

Citoyen Président Fondateur,

J'ai l'honneur d'accuser réception de votre lettre du 13 juillet 1978 par laquelle vous demandez à la Banque de proposer un candidat au poste d'Ordonnateur Délégué Principal au Département des Finances de la République du Zaïre. Je vous suis reconnaissant de voir en la Banque Mondiale une institution susceptible d'assumer un rôle d'une si haute importance. La Banque, vous le savez, est disposée à apporter au Zaïre toute assistance technique dont il pourrait avoir besoin pour traiter des questions ayant trait à son développement économique.

Comme vous le lui avez demandé, la Banque Mondiale a déjà assumé la responsabilité de coordonner l'assistance financière accordée au Zaïre et une mission de la Banque séjourne actuellement dans votre pays pour évaluer le programme de développement et les concours financiers qui seront nécessaires, et préparer ainsi la réunion du Groupe consultatif provisoirement prévue pour décembre. Nous envisageons également, sur votre demande, d'envoyer en septembre une mission qui étudiera la situation de la Gécamines et les apports dont cette société aura besoin pour relancer ses activités.

Nous avons examiné votre demande avec une attention spéciale à la lumière des échanges de vues qu'ont eus à ce sujet nos deux délégations au cours de la récente réunion de Bruxelles. Nous avons du conclure avec regret que notre institution n'a pas vraiment vocation à s'acquitter d'une mission de



Citoyen Président Fondateur - 2 -

ce type, qui demande une intime connaissance des mécanismes du Trésor et du budget, et qui à ce titre ne relève pas du domaine de compétence de la Banque. Je tiens toutefois à vous assurer, Citoyen Président Fondateur, que nous sommes toujours prêts à apporter au Zaïre l'assistance technique que nous serons en mesure de lui procurer dans quelque domaine que ce soit.

Veillez agréer, Citoyen Président Fondateur, les assurances de ma très haute considération.

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara

Robert S. McNamara

NFaltas:dv  
July 26, 1978

CC: Mr. McNamara's Office (2)



THE WORLD BANK  
Washington, D.C. 20433  
U.S.A.

Office of the President

July 31, 1978

TRANSLATION

Mr. President:

Thank you very much for your letter of July 13, 1978 requesting the Bank to provide a candidate for the position of Chief Controller in the Ministry of Finance of the Republic of Zaire. I appreciate that you have thought of the World Bank as an institution that could assume such an important role. As you know, the Bank is ready to extend whatever technical assistance it can provide to Zaire in matters relating to its economic development.

The Bank has already assumed the responsibility you have given us of coordinating external financial assistance to Zaire and a mission currently is in your country to assess the development program and its financial needs in preparation for the Consultative Group Meeting that is tentatively scheduled for December. At your request, we are also planning to send an evaluation mission in September to review Gecamines' position and requirements for rehabilitation.

We have given special consideration to your request in the light of the exchanges that our two delegations to the recent Brussels meeting had on this topic and regrettably conclude that our institution is not well suited for this kind of assignment which involves an intimate knowledge of treasury and budget procedures outside the Bank's particular competence of economic development. I wish to assure you, however, Mr. President, that we will always be happy to extend our technical assistance to Zaire in whatever field we can effectively contribute.

Sincerely,

Robert S. McNamara

To the Citoyen President Fondateur  
Mobutu Sese Seko Kuku Ngbendu Wa Za Banga  
President of the Republic of Zaire  
Kinshasa, Zaire

cc: Mr. McNamara's Office (2)



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JUL 31 1978

Mr. S. Antonio Guzman F.  
President Elect of the  
Dominican Republic  
Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic

Excellency:

I am pleased to acknowledge receipt of your letter dated the 14th of July 1978 in which reference is made to the economic measures the incoming Government that you will head, proposes to adopt.

We agree with the criteria stated in your letter, that rational utilization of the resources of the country is essential to assure its economic and financial recovery. We are pleased to acknowledge the interest of the Government-elect in the creation of a Consultative Sub-Group for the Dominican Republic, within the context of the Caribbean Group for Economic Development, which the World Bank chairs. At the same time we are pleased to know that the Government-elect hopes that the first meeting of the above Sub-Group can take place within a short period after the August 16 inauguration. We note with interest that contact has been established with the official institutions in charge of the preparation of the documentation necessary for presentation to the Sub-Group.

I wish to confirm the interest of the World Bank in cooperating with the Government of the Dominican Republic in the preparation of the project list and of the four-year public investment program to be presented to the Sub-Group. We have arranged to send a Bank Staff Member in early August to assist in the preparation of these documents.

I take this occasion to reiterate our desire to collaborate with the Government of the Dominican Republic in fostering socio-economic development and in financing priority projects for the country.

I would very much like to have greeted you personally at the Presidential inauguration ceremony, but due to a previous engagement I will be unable to attend.

With my highest consideration.

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara

Robert S. McNamara

July 28, 1978



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JUL 31 1978

Señor  
S. Antonio Guzmán F.  
Presidente Electo de la  
República Dominicana  
Santo Domingo, República Dominicana

Excelentísimo Señor Presidente Electo:

Me es grato acusar recibo a su carta del 14 de Julio del año en curso en la que se refiere a las medidas de orden económico que el gobierno electo de ese país que usted presidirá, se propone adoptar.

Coincidimos con el criterio expuesto en su carta que la utilización racional de los recursos nacionales es esencial para asegurar su estabilización económica y financiera. Nos complace conocer el interés del gobierno electo en la organización del Sub-Grupo de Consulta para la República Dominicana, dentro del contexto del Grupo para el Desarrollo Económico del Caribe que el Banco Mundial coordina. A la vez nos satisface saber que el gobierno electo espera que en breve plazo después de la toma de posesión del Gobierno el 16 de Agosto, se podrá celebrar la primera reunión del mencionado Sub-Grupo y notamos con interés que ya se ha establecido contacto con los organismos oficiales encargados de la preparación de la documentación necesaria para presentación al Sub-Grupo.

Deseo confirmar el interés del Banco Mundial en cooperar con el Gobierno de la República Dominicana en la preparación de la lista de proyectos y el programa de inversión pública para cuatro años que se someterán al Sub-Grupo. Al respecto, hemos programado la visita de un oficial del Banco a principios del mes de Agosto para ayudar en la elaboración de estos documentos.

Aprovecho esta ocasión para reiterarle nuestro deseo de colaborar con el Gobierno de esa República en fomentar el desarrollo socio-económico, y en financiar proyectos prioritarios para el país.



Presidente Electo

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Sería para mí una grata oportunidad para saludarlo personalmente el poder asistir a la ceremonia de traspaso de mando; pero lamento tener que comunicarle que debido a compromisos previos, me será imposible estar presente.

Reciba su Excelencia el testimonio de mi mas alta y distinguida consideración.

(Signed), Robert S. McNamara

Robert S. McNamara

"cc: for Mr.McNamara's Office(2)"  
Julio 28, 1978



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July 31, 1978

Price Waterhouse & Co.  
1801 K Street, N.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20006

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The General Counsel has rendered a legal opinion concluding in substance that upon the entry into force of the Second Amendment references in the Association's Articles of Agreement to the 1960 dollar should be read as referring to the SDR, as determined from time to time by the Fund. The Executive Directors have neither approved nor disapproved that opinion by any formal action. Nor have they taken any other action to resolve the problem stated in the previous paragraph.

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July 31, 1978

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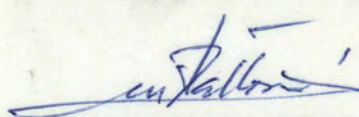
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Sincerely,

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara  
President

Vice President and General Counsel  
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Controller



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July 31, 1978

Price Waterhouse & Co.  
1801 K Street, N. W.  
Washington, D. C. 20006

Dear Sirs:

We confirm, to the best of our knowledge and belief, the following representations made to you during your examination of the financial statements of International Bank for Reconstruction and Development for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1978, for the purpose of expressing an opinion as to whether the financial statements present fairly the financial position, results of operations and changes in financial position of the Bank in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

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5. All loans and related accrued income are considered collectible and, as of this date, no losses from loans are foreseen or anticipated. At the close of business on July 31, 1978, all payments to the Bank required under the loan agreements have been made with the exception of payments amounting to the equivalent of \$ 7,816,943 per the attached list.
6. At June 30, 1978, all effective loan commitments arising on or before that date were recorded in the accounts. Loans approved but not effective at June 30, 1978, net of amounts which the Bank had agreed to sell, amounted to \$ 4,731,371,000.
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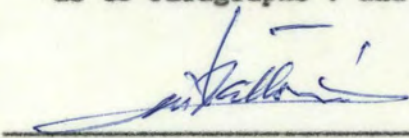
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Controller



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INTERNATIONAL BANK FOR RECONSTRUCTION AND DEVELOPMENT

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July 31, 1978

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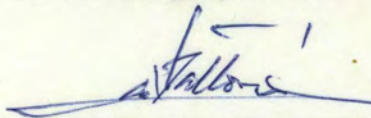
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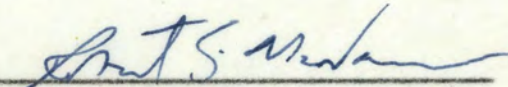
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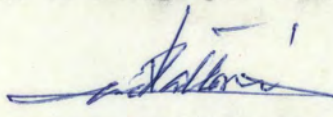
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Sincerely,

  
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President

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Vice President and General Counsel  
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Controller



Price Waterhouse & Co.

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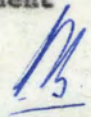
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With respect to the financial statements of the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development at June 30, 1977 and for the five years then ended included in the Prospectus relating to the offering of the 6-1/2% Japanese Yen Bonds of 1978 - Ninth Series, due 1993, in the aggregate principal amount of ¥ 75,000 million, we reconfirm the statements made in our letter of July 29, 1977 and July 13, 1978, except that payments due to the Bank under loan agreements but unpaid at July 27, 1978 are as shown on the attached list.

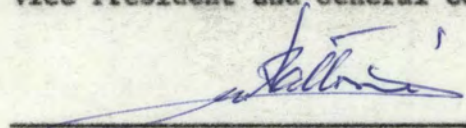
There have been no developments since July 13, 1978, which would materially affect the financial statements included in the above-mentioned Prospectus, and in addition, we know of no event since this date, which although not affecting such financial statements, has caused or is likely to cause any material change, adverse or otherwise, in the financial position or results of operations of the Bank.

Sincerely,

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara  
\_\_\_\_\_  
President



\_\_\_\_\_  
Vice President and General Counsel

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Controller

Attachment

cc: Messrs. Nurick, Hattori, Uhrig  
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INTERNATIONAL BANK FOR RECONSTRUCTION AND DEVELOPMENT  
INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION  
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20433, U.S.A.



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OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

July 27, 1978

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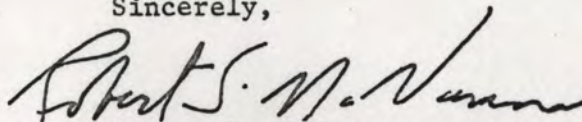
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I would call attention to the Foreword of the Report, which notes that it is to be the first in a series of analytical reviews of development issues by the staff of the Bank. The Report begins with an overview of the development experience of the past 25 years, and then deals with a number of key and current policy issues in areas of the international economy that affect the prospects of the developing countries. In the second half of the Report the problems and choices confronting policymakers in particular groups of developing countries are discussed. It was not possible, nor was it the intention, to analyze all issues of importance in this first edition: the focus is on trade, capital flows, international food balances and energy. Other issues will be taken up in future years.

May I also call your attention to the statistical annex bound in with the Report, "World Development Indicators". This is a highly selective compilation of economic and social data for 125 countries. Since the annex is to be revised annually, it should prove helpful in the monitoring, year by year, of the progress of development.

I very much hope that the Report will make a useful contribution to the work of the Committee of the Whole, under your chairmanship, in the formulation of a new international development strategy. Copies will soon be made available to each United Nations delegation.

Sincerely,

  
Robert S. McNamara

His Excellency Idriss Jazairy  
Chairman, Committee Established Under  
General Assembly Resolution 32/174  
United Nations  
Palais des Nations  
Geneva, Switzerland

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INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION  
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20433, U.S.A.



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July 27, 1978

Dear Secretary-General:

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I am also sending copies of the Report to the Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs, Mr. Ripert, and to the Director-General for Development and International Cooperation, Ambassador Dadzie, as well as to Ambassador Jazairy, with the thought that it may make a useful contribution to the work underway within the United Nations in preparation for the formulation of an international development strategy for the years ahead. Copies will be made available to each United Nations delegation.

With kind personal regards,

Sincerely,

Robert S. McNamara

Mr. Kurt Waldheim  
Secretary-General, United Nations  
Palais des Nations  
Geneva, Switzerland

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July 27, 1978

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I know that some of my colleagues have extended to you, in my behalf as well as their own, an open invitation to visit and to become more familiar with the Bank. I hope that it will be possible for you to do so before long.

Sincerely,

Robert S. McNamara

Ambassador Kenneth Dadzie  
Director-General for Development  
and International Economic Cooperation  
United Nations  
Palais des Nations  
Geneva, Switzerland

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INTERNATIONAL BANK FOR RECONSTRUCTION AND DEVELOPMENT  
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I hope that the Report will make a useful contribution to the work underway within the United Nations, including that of the ACC Task Force on Long Term Development Objectives under your chairmanship, looking toward the formulation of a new international development strategy.

With kind personal regards,

Sincerely,

Robert S. McNamara

Mr. Jean Ripert  
Under-Secretary-General for Economic  
and Social Affairs, United Nations  
Palais des Nations  
Geneva, Switzerland

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JUL 27 1978

PRESIDENT KENNETH KAUNDA, STATE HOUSE

LUSAKA, ZAMBIA

THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR JUNE 26 LETTER WHICH HIGHLIGHTS THE SEVERITY OF ZAMBIA'S TRANSPORT CRISIS MOST VIVIDLY. REGARDING YOUR REQUEST FOR HELP IN (A) EXAMINING WAYS AND MEANS TO MAKE AN IMMEDIATE IMPACT ON RELIEVING THE PRESENT SITUATION AND (B) EXTENDING THE RAILWAY LINE FROM CHIPATA TO THE MALAWIAN BORDER, MY STAFF IS LOOKING INTO BOTH ASPECTS, AND I EXPECT TO COMMUNICATE TO YOU OUR FINDINGS AS SOON AS OUR REVIEW IS COMPLETED. MEANWHILE, I MIGHT SUMMARIZE BRIEFLY SOME OF OUR PRELIMINARY THINKING ON THE PROBLEM. FIRST, AS YOUR LETTER AMPLY ILLUSTRATES, THE PROBLEM IS A COMPLEX ONE, INVOLVING THE SEVERAL LINKS IN THE TRANSPORT CHAIN STRETCHING FROM LUSAKA THROUGH THE PORT OF DAR ES SALAAM. ANY SOLUTION, OBVIOUSLY, MUST ENCOMPASS ALL THESE LINKS. SECOND, WHILE THERE APPARENTLY ARE SERIOUS DEFICIENCIES (E.G., ROLLING STOCK, MAINTENANCE FACILITIES, STORAGE, ETC.) WHICH NEED URGENT ATTENTION, GREATLY IMPROVED COORDINATION AMONG THE VARIOUS LINKS AND BETWEEN ZAMBIA AND TANZANIA IS AN ESSENTIAL

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(Signed) Robert S. McNamara

ZAMBIA - Transport Sector

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Cleared w/ and cc: Messrs. Adler, O'Brien, Ramadan, Hansen, Jalil, Robert S. McNamara

cc: Messrs. Wiehen (o/r), Sandberg(o/r) Office of the President



STARTING POINT FOR ANY REAL IMPROVEMENT IN ZAMBIA'S  
TRANSPORT. THIRD, IN THAT CONNECTION, I AM PLEASED TO NOTE  
THAT YOU ARE IN TOUCH WITH PRESIDENT NYERERE ON THIS MATTER  
AND HOPE THAT YOUR DIALOGUE AND THE DISCUSSIONS BETWEEN YOUR  
RESPECTIVE OFFICIALS WILL RESULT IN SPECIFIC PROPOSALS FOR  
IMPROVING COORDINATION AND RESOLVING THE OVERALL PROBLEM.  
FOURTH, IN THIS CONTEXT WE BELIEVE IT WOULD BE HIGHLY  
DESIRABLE TO ESTABLISH, ON AN AD HOC BASIS, A JOINT ZAMBIAN/  
TANZANIAN WORKING GROUP, COMPOSED OF REPRESENTATIVES FROM  
THE VARIOUS PUBLIC AND PRIVATE BODIES CONCERNED WITH  
TRANSPORT (E.G., ZAMBIAN AND TANZANIAN TRANSPORT MINISTRIES,  
CONTINGENCY PLANNING UNIT, TAZARA, ZAMBIA RAILWAYS, ROAD  
SERVICES, PORT OF DAR ES SALAAM, PRIVATE TRANSPORT, ETC.).  
THIS GROUP COULD, AMONG OTHER THINGS, REVIEW THE SITUATION  
AND IDENTIFY AND AGREE UPON NECESSARY COURSES OF ACTION. WE  
CONSIDER IT EQUALLY IMPORTANT THAT THERE BE A SUITABLE BODY  
WHERE DECISIONS COULD BE TAKEN JOINTLY AT SUFFICIENTLY HIGH  
LEVEL TO ENSURE PROMPT RESOLUTION OF SPECIFIC PROBLEMS.  
FIFTH, AS SOON AS STEPS ARE INITIATED TO ENSURE BETTER  
COORDINATION, THE WORLD BANK STANDS READY, IF SO REQUESTED,

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TO ASSIST BOTH ZAMBIA AND TANZANIA IN DRAWING UP PLANS FOR PRIORITY ACTIONS AND INVESTMENTS AND HELP IN ARRANGING FOR FINANCING AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE TO CARRY OUT THE PROGRAMS. IN THIS, OF COURSE, WE WOULD BE PREPARED TO WORK CLOSELY WITH OTHER EXTERNAL ASSISTANCE AGENCIES, BOTH BILATERAL AND MULTILATERAL, WHOM YOU MIGHT WISH TO BE INVOLVED. SINCE WE HAVE NOT YET HAD AN OPPORTUNITY TO ASSESS THE SITUATION FULLY, WE ARE UNABLE AT THIS TIME TO BE MORE SPECIFIC ABOUT THE EXTENT OF POSSIBLE BANK ASSISTANCE. WE WOULD, HOWEVER, BE PREPARED TO MAKE THE SERVICES OF A SENIOR TRANSPORT EXPERT AVAILABLE TO HELP BOTH ZAMBIAN AND TANZANIAN OFFICIALS IN DRAWING UP PLANS AND IDENTIFYING ASSISTANCE REQUIRED. SIXTH, LET ME UNDERLINE, HOWEVER, THAT ALTHOUGH EXTERNAL ASSISTANCE CAN HELP, RESOLUTION OF THE TRANSPORT PROBLEM LIES MAINLY IN THE HANDS OF THE NATIONAL AND LOCAL AUTHORITIES CONCERNED, BOTH ZAMBIAN AND TANZANIAN, AND CAN ONLY BE ACCOMPLISHED IF ALL ARE DETERMINED TO WORK TOGETHER CLOSELY. WARM REGARDS.

ROBERT S. MENAMARA



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1 TO DEUTSCHE BANK AG

CITY/COUNTRY FRANKFURTMAIN, GERMANY

MESSAGE NO.: ATTENTION: DR. LEIBKUTSCH, MANAGING DIRECTOR

4 THANK YOU FOR YOUR TELEX ON THE OCCASION OF THE SIGNING  
5 OF THE DOCUMENTS RELATING TO THE BORROWING OF 900 MILLION  
6 DEUTSCHE MARK BY THE WORLD BANK. WE VERY MUCH APPRECIATE  
7 THE ADVICE AND COOPERATION WE RECEIVED FROM YOU AND YOUR  
8 WILLINGNESS TO TAKE ON THIS SIGNIFICANT COMMITMENT AT THIS  
9 TIME. UNDER THE LEADERSHIP OF THE DEUTSCHE BANK, THE  
10 BANKS AND OTHER INVESTORS CONTINUE TO MAKE A MOST VALUABLE  
11 CONTRIBUTION TO THE WORLD BANK IN ITS DEVELOPMENT EFFORTS.  
12 MY BEST REGARDS TO YOU, TO DR. GUTH AND YOUR ASSOCIATES.  
13 SINCERELY, ROBERT S. MCNAMARA

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cc: Mr. Cargill  
Mr. Rotberg

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1 TO THE MITSUBISHI TRUST AND BANKING CORPORATION

CITY/COUNTRY TOKYO, JAPAN

MESSAGE NO.: ATTENTION: MR. YOSHIHIRO AKAMA, PRESIDENT

4 PERMIT ME TO EXPRESS OUR APPRECIATION FOR THE SUBSTANTIAL  
5 RESOURCES WHICH YOU WILL MAKE AVAILABLE TO US THROUGH THE  
6 FACILITY OF A LONG TERM LOAN FROM THE JAPANESE TRUST BANKS  
7 UNDER YOUR LEADERSHIP. YOU MAY BE ASSURED THAT THIS  
8 SUBSTANTIAL AND NEW SOURCE OF FUNDS WILL BE EMPLOYED  
9 WISELY AND PRODUCTIVELY IN OUR EFFORT TO RAISE THE STANDARD  
10 OF LIVING IN THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES OF THE WORLD.  
11 FURTHER, WE LOOK FORWARD TO RECEIVING YOUR PROPOSALS FOR  
12 FUTURE TRANSACTIONS AND ALSO THE BENEFIT OF YOUR GOOD  
13 ADVICE AND EXPERTISE ON MATTERS RELATING TO OUR MUTUAL  
14 INTERESTS. I LOOK FORWARD TO MEETING WITH YOU PERSONALLY  
15 AT SOME TIME IN THE NEAR FUTURE.

16 SINCERELY, ROBERT S. MCNAMARA

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July 21, 1978

Dear Mr. Prime Minister:

The lovely gifts which you presented to Mrs. McNamara and me during our recent visit to Malaysia have now arrived in Washington.

Please accept our warm thanks for these pleasant reminders of our very enjoyable and interesting stay in your country.

With best personal regards,

Sincerely,

Robert S. McNamara

Datuk Hussein bin Onn  
Prime Minister  
Prime Minister's Department  
Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia

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July 21, 1978



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JUL 20 1978

Dear Cesar:

At the September 1977 meeting of the Development Committee, I informed you and the members of the Committee that we had started work on a study of major development issues. I now have the pleasure of forwarding to you, for consideration by the Committee, the World Development Report, 1978. The focus of this first report is on how to accelerate growth and alleviate poverty in different groups of developing countries and on how these prospects may be affected by the evolution of trade and capital flows.

Since the report covers a broad range of topics, we have prepared, as you requested and in consultation with the Committee's Secretariat, a brief paper identifying the principal issues for discussion by the Committee at its meeting in September.

Sincerely,

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara

Robert S. McNamara

cc: The Honorable  
Cesar Virata  
Chairman, Development Committee  
Secretary of Finance  
Government of the Philippines  
Manila, Philippines

cc: Mr. McNamara's Office (2)  
Sir Richard King

EStern:dpw  
July 17, 1978



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Office of the President

JUL 19 1978

Excellency:

The International Bank for Reconstruction and Development proposes to borrow an aggregate principal amount of up to Yen 30,000,000,000 in Japan from a consortium of Japanese trust banks. The borrowing would have a term of 20 years and would bear interest at the rate of 7.60% per annum, payable semi-annually.

The Government of Japan is hereby requested, in accordance with Section 1(b) of Article IV of the Articles of Agreement of the Bank, to approve this borrowing by the Bank in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed Yen 30,000,000,000. The Government of Japan is further requested to agree, pursuant to the same provision of the Articles of Agreement, that the proceeds of such borrowing may be exchanged for the currency of any other member of the Bank without restriction.

Sincerely,

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara

Robert S. McNamara

His Excellency  
Tatsuo Murayama  
Minister of Finance  
Ministry of Finance  
Tokyo, Japan

cc: Mr. Susumu Murayama, Executive Director

Cleared with and cc: Mr. Heininger, Legal Dept.  
cc: for Mr. McNamara's Office (2)  
Mr. Cargill, Senior Vice President, Finance  
Mr. Rotberg, Vice President and Treasurer  
Yen Bonds #25

TSakuragi/DHarris/fad  
July 18, 1978



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Office of the President

JUL 19 1978

Dear Mr. Secretary:

The International Bank for Reconstruction and Development proposes to borrow an aggregate principal amount, not exceeding \$350,000,000, in markets outside the United States of America through an issue of Two Year Bonds of the Bank. The bonds are to be dated September 15, 1978 and to mature September 15, 1980. The interest rate of the bonds has not yet been determined.

The Government of the United States of America is hereby requested, in accordance with Section 1(b) of Article IV of the Bank's Articles of Agreement, to approve the borrowing by the Bank in markets outside the United States of America of such amounts as may be raised by the issue of not exceeding \$350,000,000 aggregate principal amount of bonds. The Government of the United States of America is further requested to agree, pursuant to the same provisions of the Articles of Agreement, that the proceeds of such borrowing may be exchanged for the currency of any member of the Bank without restriction.

Sincerely,

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara

Robert S. McNamara

The Honorable  
W. Michael Blumenthal  
Secretary of the Treasury  
Washington, D.C. 20220

cc: Mr. Edward R. Fried, Executive Director  
Mr. William P. Dixon, Alternate Executive Director  
Mr. Robert S. Watson, U.S. Treasury  
Mr. Bernard Zinman, U.S. Treasury

Cleared with and cc: Mr. David Mead, Legal Dept.

Messrs. I.P.M. Cargill, Senior Vice President, Finance  
For Mr. McNamara's office (2)  
Eugene H. Rotberg, Vice President and Treasurer  
M. Hattori, Controller  
R. E. Deely/US\$ Bonds #124

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JUL 17 1978

Professor Carl E. Taylor  
The Johns Hopkins University  
School of Hygiene and Public  
Health  
615 North Wolfe Street  
Baltimore, Maryland 21205

Dear Carl:

Thank you for your letter of May 31, and for sending me the manuscript on the Narangwal Nutrition Project prepared by your group in collaboration with members of the World Bank staff. I am sorry not to have replied sooner, but the manuscript has been circulating among the interested parts of the Bank.

The findings of the project are interesting and important. They show that properly designed social programs, when accompanied by the necessary political and administrative support, can have a dramatic impact at relatively low cost. The report also suggests that, within larger program objectives, it is possible to orient these projects to benefit the poor directly, resulting in rapid improvements in their welfare. The Narangwal study thus makes a contribution to establishing the viability of a basic needs approach.

I am glad to hear that the experience gained in this project is to be used in a follow-up phase. We in the World Bank have already benefitted from this study in the identification of a possible nutrition project in India.



Professor Carl Taylor

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When the review of your manuscript has been completed, the staff involved will be in touch with you directly concerning the preparation of a draft for formal consideration as a World Bank research publication.

Sincerely,

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara  
Robert S. McNamara

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July 13, 1978

cc. and cleared with: Mr. J. Lee, PAS  
Mr. E.M. Schebeck, AGR

cc: Mr. T. King, DEDPH  
Mr. D. Chernichovsky, DEDPH  
Mr. B. Balassa, VPD



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HERR WILLY BRANDT, ERICH-OLLENHAUER-HAUS, OLLENHAUERSTR. 1

CITY/COUNTRY BONN, FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY

MESSAGE  
NO.:

4           THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR LETTER OF JULY 3 AND FOR ITS  
5 INVITATION TO ATTEND YOUR MEETING IN THE UNITED STATES. AS I  
6 THINK YOU ALREADY KNOW I AM MOST REGRETFUL THAT I CANNOT  
7 ATTEND THE MEETING WITHOUT UPSETTING THE VACATION PLANS OF  
8 ABOUT A DOZEN PEOPLE WITH WHOM I AM TREKKING IN THE  
9 CALIFORNIA WILDERNESS AREA.

10           WE HAVE JUST CONCLUDED TODAY A VERY FULL DISCUSSION IN  
11 THE BOARD OF THE WORLD DEVELOPMENT REPORT WHICH YOU HAVE  
12 ALREADY SEEN. WE HAVE BEEN AUTHORIZED TO TRANSMIT THE  
13 DOCUMENT TO THE DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE FOR DISCUSSION ON  
14 SEPTEMBER 23, AND ALSO TO PUBLISH IT AS A BANK STAFF PAPER  
15 WHICH WE HOPE TO DO IN EARLY AUGUST. SEVERAL BOARD MEMBERS  
16 URGED ME TO SEND COPIES TO THE BRANDT COMMISSION (ABOUT WHICH  
17 THERE WAS MUCH FAVORABLE COMMENT). IF YOU WOULD SO WISH I  
18 WOULD BE GLAD TO SEND INDIVIDUAL PRINTED COPIES AS SOON AS  
19 THEY ARE AVAILABLE TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE COMMISSION, AND ALSO  
20 COPIES FOR THE USE OF THE SECRETARIAT.

21 END OF TEXT           I HAVE BEEN FOLLOWING YOUR TOUR OF EUROPEAN GOVERNMENTS

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WITH THE GREATEST INTEREST SEMICOLON I HOPE YOU WILL BE ABLE

CITY/COUNTRY

TO CONTINUE SOME OF THESE CONVERSATIONS DURING THIS WEEKEND'S

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MEETINGS IN BONN.

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WITH ALL GOOD WISHES ROBERT S. MCNAMARA

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MR. CESAR VIRATA  
SECRETARY OF FINANCE  
MANILA, PHILIPPINES

AAA. BECAUSE IT IS IMPORTANT THAT THE WORLD DEVELOPMENT REPORT RECEIVE THE FULL ATTENTION OF THE MEMBERS OF THE DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE, I WOULD SUGGEST THAT DISTRIBUTION OF THE DOCUMENT, AND THE ACCOMPANYING ISSUES PAPER, BE DONE UNDER COVER OF A PERSONAL NOTE FROM YOU TO THE MEMBERS. ADDITIONAL COPIES WOULD BE DISTRIBUTED ROUTINELY BY THE SECRETARIAT. WE HAVE DISCUSSED THIS WITH DICK KING, WHO CONCURS.

BBB. IN ORDER TO HELP IN STRUCTURING THE DISCUSSION, WE HAVE PREPARED A DRAFT ISSUES PAPER IN CONSULTATION WITH THE SECRETARIAT WHICH WE ARE TELEXING SEPARATELY. SINCE THERE IS VERY LITTLE TIME BETWEEN THE BOARD DISCUSSION AND AUGUST FIRST, THE DATE ON WHICH DOCUMENTS SHOULD BE DISPATCHED, I WOULD WELCOME YOUR COMMENTS ON THE ISSUES PAPER SO THAT THEY MAY BE TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT IN A REVISION.

CCC. A SUGGESTION FOR THE COVERING NOTE FROM YOU FOLLOWS. WE SHALL ALSO NEED ANY CHANGES TO THE PROPOSED TEXT OF THIS NOTE BEFORE AUGUST FIRST. BEGIN TEXT: DEAR MR. MINISTER: AT THE LAST MEETING OF THE DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE, MR. MCNAMARA /c

Dev. Committee - WDR Discussion

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(Signed) Robert S. McNamara  
Robert S. McNamara

cc: Sir R. King  
Messrs. Stern  
Karaosmanoglu

President



INFORMED US THAT THE BANK WAS PREPARING A STUDY OF SOME MAJOR DEVELOPMENT ISSUES AND THAT SUCH A REVIEW WOULD BECOME AN ANNUAL FEATURE OF BANK WORK. WE ALL AGREED THAT THE DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE WOULD BE AN APPROPRIATE FORUM TO DISCUSS SUCH A REPORT. PARAGRAPH. ENCLOSED IS THE WORLD DEVELOPMENT REPORT, 1978. IT PRESENTS AN ANALYSIS OF THE PROSPECTS OF THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES, THE CHOICES IN DEVELOPMENT STRATEGIES WHICH DIFFERENT GROUPS OF COUNTRIES FACE AND THE POLICY ISSUES LIKELY TO DETERMINE THE EXTENT TO WHICH THE INTERNATIONAL ENVIRONMENT WILL BE SUPPORTIVE OF THE DEVELOPMENT EFFORTS. IT SEEMS TO ME IT WOULD BE MOST SUITABLE IF WE FOCUSED OUR DISCUSSION, AT OUR MEETING IN SEPTEMBER, PRIMARILY ON THE LIKELY EVOLUTION OF THE INTERNATIONAL FRAMEWORK. WE HAVE THEREFORE PREPARED A PAPER WHICH IDENTIFIES SOME OF THE PRINCIPAL QUESTIONS TO WHICH WE MIGHT GIVE ATTENTION. THIS PAPER AND A SUMMARY OF THE VIEWS EXPRESSED BY THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS OF THE BANK DURING THEIR DISCUSSION OF THE REPORT ARE ALSO ENCLOSED. PARAGRAPH. WITH THE WORLD DEVELOPMENT REPORT BEFORE US, THERE WILL BE AN OPPORTUNITY FOR OUR SENIOR OFFICIALS TO HAVE A PRELIMINARY DISCUSSION OF THESE QUESTIONS AT THEIR MEETING ON SEPTEMBER 6 AND 7. IN THE LIGHT OF THIS,

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I AM CONFIDENT THAT WE SHALL BE ABLE TO HAVE A FRUITFUL  
EXCHANGE OF VIEWS AT OUR MEETING ON SEPTEMBER 23 WHICH WILL  
BE OF BENEFIT TO US IN DISCUSSIONS IN OTHER INTERNATIONAL  
FORA AND TO OUR TASKS AT HOME. END TEXT.

DDD. BEST REGARDS. SINCERELY, ROBERT S. MCNAHARA.



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July 12, 1978

Dear Mr. Ambassador:

At Mr. McNamara's request, I enclose a copy of the World Development Report, 1978, for your information. The report will be discussed by the Bank's Executive Directors on July 13.

Sincerely,

Caio Koch-Weser  
Personal Assistant to the President

His Excellency  
Paul R. Jolles  
Director, Division du Commerce  
Department Federal de l'Economie  
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3000 Bern, Switzerland



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July 12, 1978

Office of the President

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. WILLIAM CLARK

Subject: Dissemination of World Development Report

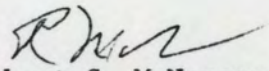
I. Would it not be possible to obtain a list of development economics courses taught in universities throughout the world? Should we not then write to the director of each course and offer to provide him with copies of the World Development Report (in the appropriate language) for each of his students?

II. Should we not write to the Librarian of each university in developed and developing countries, including a copy of the World Development Report, and offer to supply whatever additional number of copies he requested for use in his institution?

III. Could we not obtain the name of the economic or financial editor of each important newspaper or news magazine throughout the world and direct a copy of the World Development Report to his attention?

IV. Would it not be wise to ask each of our Executive Directors to personally transmit copies of the World Development Report to all influential officials and bureaucrats in the governments which he represents?

V. Should we not contact the appropriate parties in each of the international institutions (for example, UN Headquarters, UNCTAD, OECD, DAC, IDB, ADB, FAO, ECLA, etc.) to learn from them the numbers of copies of the World Development Report they wish for distribution within their institutions?

  
Robert S. McNamara

cc: Mr. Stern  
Mr. Chenery



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JUL 7 1978

Dear Mr. Carroll:

Thank you for your letter of June 5, 1978, telling me of your plans to leave your present position.

I am afraid that no immediate suggestions come to mind, but I have asked our Personnel Department to give your inquiry some thought and to let you know if they can be of any help.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara

Robert S. McNamara

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Cleared by Mr. Clarke

FGS:pd (July 5, 1978)



JUL 7 1978

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Dear Mr. Schwoebel:

Thank you for your letter bringing me up to date on the progress you are making with your project for a worldwide newspaper supplement on international economic affairs. As we discussed last spring, I feel this is a very worthwhile project and hope that the U.N. system will be able to undertake it. As I indicated at that time the Bank is willing to consider financial participation along with other U.N. agencies once there is full agreement to proceed. I very much hope that a workable solution can be found.

With best regards,

Sincerely,

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara

Robert S. McNamara

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bcc: Mr. Wm. Clark  
Mrs. Boskey



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JUL 7 1978

Dear Claude:

I am pleased to inform you that, this month, Mr. Rainer Steckhan, who has been responsible for one of our two Western Africa Country Program Departments, is taking over the directorship of the World Bank's European Office in Paris. He was incidentally my personal assistant, as he had been George Woods', when I came to the Bank in 1968.

In his recent functions and, earlier, when he served as a member of our Regional Mission in Eastern Africa in Nairobi, Mr. Steckhan has had many opportunities to establish contacts with staff from the European Communities and he has followed closely the developments surrounding the Lome Convention. He is therefore especially well prepared for his new responsibilities in Europe which will include general liaison with the EEC and, in particular, with your office.

I have asked Mr. Steckhan to give the greatest importance to his liaison functions with the Communities in Brussels. I know how much Jean Carriere benefitted from his close contact with you, and I hope that you will not hesitate to take advantage of Mr. Steckhan's assignment as the head of our European Office to communicate with my colleagues and myself on all general issues, as you see fit, where understanding and cooperation between our institutions could be improved for the benefit of all concerned and, more particularly, of the developing countries.

Sincerely,

(Signed) ROBERT S. McNAMARA

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