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April 2, 1986

Dear Dr. Tolba:

It was a pleasure to learn from your January 28 letter about the positive results of the first African Ministerial Conference on the Environment. I also was pleased to learn that the Bank's support was useful both before and at the Conference.


Protection of the environment is very important to the Bank. You can be assured of our interest in working closely with UNEP and the inter-agency working group in addressing the prime objectives agreed at the Conference — halting and reversing the degradation of the African environment, especially in areas affecting food and energy (fuelwood) supplies.

The Bank's Environmental Adviser, Dr. James Lee, and our Regional Mission to Eastern and Southern Africa in Nairobi, have already been in contact with your staff to learn more about the prospective activities of the working group.

I am asking Mr. Hans Wyss, Director of our Projects Department for the Eastern and Southern Africa Region, to coordinate with Dr. Lee and others in the Bank to ensure the most effective Bank participation in the working group.

Once again, thank you very much for your most helpful and informative letter.

Sincerely,


(Signed) A. W. Clausen

Dr. Mostafa K. Tolba,
Executive Director,
United Nations Environment Programme,
P.O. Box 30552,
Nairobi, Kenya

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Cleared with & cc: Dr. J. Lee
cc: Messrs. Thalwitz, Jaycox, Schuh, Fuchs, de La Renaudiere,
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Nigel Roberts

From



UNITED NATIONS ENVIRONMENT PROGRAMME
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Your Reference:

Our Reference: ROA 35/4

28 January 1986

Dear Sir,

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..... It gives me great pleasure to transmit herewith the report of the first African Ministerial Conference on the Environment, organized in Cairo from 16 to 18 December 1985 by the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) in co-operation with the United Nations Economic Commission for Africa (ECA) and the Organization of African Unity (OAU).

As you are probably aware, the Conference was well attended by African Governments and experts, and all who participated, including observers from numerous international bodies, bilateral aid agencies and various United Nations agencies, expressed satisfaction with the outcome. I should like to take this opportunity to thank you for your agency's invaluable assistance and support in the preparatory stages of the Conference and at the Conference itself. Throughout the Conference, the positive role being played by your agency and other United Nations agencies in African development was emphasized and commended by the African Governments. It was generally agreed that the activities proposed by the Conference should be pursued in close collaboration with the specialized agencies in order to save costs, avoid unnecessary duplication, and achieve greater coherence and impact.

I am sure you have been briefed by your representative to the Conference, but please permit me to outline briefly some of the major points in the Conference resolution.

First, and foremost, the Conference decided to institutionalize itself and thus decided to meet normally once every two years with a view to strengthening co-operation between African Governments in economic, technical and scientific activities, with the prime object of halting and reversing the degradation of the African environment in order to satisfy the food and energy needs of the peoples of the continent.

Mr. A.W. Clausen
President
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It further decided to set up four committees in areas of priority environmental concern, namely: deserts and arid lands; rivers and lake basins; forests and woodlands; and seas. Each of these committees, which are to function between the Conference sessions, is to be composed of a small number of African experts and chaired by one of the Vice-Presidents of the Conference, all of whom are of ministerial rank.

Further, the Conference decided that, with a view to strengthening co-operation between the technical and research institutions of African States, to establish or strengthen eight regional technical co-operation networks in the fields of: environmental monitoring; climatology; soils and fertilizers; water resources; energy; genetic resources; science and technology; and education and training.

The Conference further adopted a concept of regional pilot projects which would encompass one hundred and fifty villages (three per country), and thirty semi-arid stock-raising zones (one in each of thirty countries). The idea of these projects is to apply all available African skills and experience to seek economically feasible, environmentally sound and socially acceptable solutions to the problems of grass-roots development. The primary goal of these projects is to assist the one hundred and eighty communities to become self-sufficient in food and energy within five years. The Council also agreed to strengthen subregional co-operation in respect of environment and ecodevelopment giving priority to a number of subregional activities.

The Council accepted an offer of UNEP to provide the permanent secretariat of the Conference, in close co-operation with ECA and OAU.


Of particular importance to achieve effective, co-ordinated action in the implementation of the Conference's resolution was the decision by the Conference requesting me "to make the contacts needed to set up an Inter-agency Working Group composed of representatives of the principal United Nations agencies and international institutions concerned". The tasks of such a working group are spelled out in appendix II to the resolution of the Conference. These tasks involve efforts "to co-ordinate the activities of international agencies among themselves, in relation to the implementation of the Cairo Programme for African Co-operation, to assist in relating the individual programmes of international agencies to the African Programme, and to serve as a scientific and technical advisory body to the Bureau of the Conference through the permanent secretariat".

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In view of the crucial role to be played by the Inter-agency Working Group, it is important that representation on it should be at the highest level. I should be most grateful if you could let me have, by the end of March 1986, the name and title of the officer you nominate as the representative of your agency on the Inter-agency Working Group.

I am confident that, with your co-operation, the very worthy, objectives set out by African Governments at the African Ministerial Conference on the Environment for the enhancement of the quality of the life of the peoples of Africa will be realized.

Yours sincerely,



Mostafa K. Tolba
Executive Director

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OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

August 26, 1983

Dear Dr. Westell:

Thank you for your invitation to the dinner on September 21 being hosted by Dr. Tolba in connection with the World Industry Conference on Environmental Management. You have put together an outstanding group of individuals to direct the course of the Conference, and the dinner will be a good occasion to discuss the crucial relationship between industry and the environment.

Unfortunately, my schedule that week is a very hectic one, and I will not be able to attend. The Annual Meetings of The World Bank and the International Monetary Fund begin the week of September 26, and a number of government officials, including Finance Ministers, will be in Washington during the previous week. Much of my time then will be devoted to discussions and consultations with the visiting officials.

I am pleased to learn from James Lee, the Bank's Adviser in the Office of Environmental Affairs, that he has kept in contact with you concerning the preparation for the Conference. Please convey my regards to Dr. Tolba together with my wishes for success in this important venture.

Sincerely,

A. W. Clausen

Dr. Casey E. Westell, Jr.
World Industry Conference on
Environmental Management
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Cleared with & cc: Mr. Overby, PAS
Dr. Lee, PAS (o/r)

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1) Mr. Overby
2) Mr. Bunnay E808


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<i>J.R. effort by UNEP?</i>	
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Could you please make a recommendation as to whether or not Mr. Clausen should do this, and prepare a reply for his signature- if possible by the 25th.

Thanks. 

Bunnay, we talked. I think Dr. would like to attend, and is the appropriate person. For his own opinion call

Roy Southworth

From Ottawa, c/o Mr. W. Kilgore 819/977-2775
(819/977-2887)

R. Overby

8/17

Roy:

About this invitation -- Joan Nicholson called last Friday at the request of Dr. Tolba to find out what our decision had been vis-a-vis Dr. Tolba's July 5 letter. I said we had replied on August 1, saying that while we were interested in the conference and wanted to keep in contact informally, AWC did not feel it would be appropriate for him (or the Bank) to be a convenor. She said that Tolba was planning this dinner and they were trying to decide whether or not AWC should be included. She then called again on Monday to say that even if Mr. Clausen was not going to be a convenor, Dr. Tolba still wanted to invite him to dinner (I gather others who are not convenors are being invited) and would Mr. C. be around on the 21st. I said "yes", but did not promise anything.

MH

Should have said "we're not sure -- it's uncertain" -- that gives us more options!



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Mr. A. W. Clausen
The World Bank
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Dear Mr. Clausen:

On 21 September 1983 Dr. Mostafa K. Tolba is hosting a dinner for colleagues in connection with the World Industry Conference on Environmental Management. Invited are, Mr. David M. Roderick, U.S. Steel; Mr. William D. Ruckelshaus, U.S. Environment Protection Agency; Mr. Howard Hardesty, Corcoran Hardesty Law Firm; Mr. James Atkin, Pillsbury, Madison and Sutro; Mr. Maurice Strong, Canada Development Investment Corporation; and Mr. James E. Lee of Gulf Oil.

The dinner will provide an opportunity to report on progress and to explore the conference design as it affects industry, governments and international organizations. On behalf of Dr. Tolba, may I extend to you an invitation to join him and his guests at dinner at the Capitol Hill Club, Washington, DC at 7:30 p.m. The Club is located at 300 First Street, S.E., Washington, DC.

Cordially yours,

Casey E. Westell, Jr.

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A. W. CLAUSEN
President

August 1, 1983

Dear Dr. Tolba:

I was pleased to receive your letter of July 5 outlining preparations for a World Conference on Industry and Environment. The World Bank is committed to a policy of development based on environmentally sound principles. Consequently, we support the consideration of ways in which industry can make a contribution as a worthwhile conference objective.

For this reason, Dr. James A. Lee, Director of our Office of Environmental Affairs, has been in close contact with Dr. Westell throughout the early planning stages of the conference. We would be pleased to maintain this cooperation through participation in meetings in which informal representation would be helpful to you.

However, because the Bank is a lending institution and works through governments rather than directly with industry, I do not believe our sponsorship of the conference would be desirable or appropriate. Nevertheless, we will be extremely interested in the development of a dialogue between industry and other sectors on specific issues and in the recommendations which emerge, particularly those with reference to development assistance.

I hope these arrangements will be satisfactory and wish to reiterate our continued interest in working with you to achieve a successful conference.

Sincerely,



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Executive Director
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Would you please prepare a reply for Mr. Clausen's signature for Aug. 1?

Roy Southworth

From



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5 July 1983

Dear Mr. Clausen,

I am writing to you regarding the World Conference on Industry and Environment which we are planning to convene sometime in late 1984.

As you may already know, the Governing Council of UNEP, at its recent eleventh session urged me to work closely with governments, industry and selected non-governmental organizations from all over the world to make plans for this conference. The main objective will be to consider ways in which industry can make a full and effective contribution towards environmentally sound development. It will promote a broad exchange of information and experience on technologies including industrial pollution control, recycling of wastes, low-waste and non-waste systems.

I believe that this conference will provide a unique opportunity for serious discussion of the role that industry is playing and can play in the protection and enhancement of the environment. It will constitute a meaningful dialogue between industry and other sectors on specific issues, with specific goals and objectives in mind.

To organize the conference we are establishing a committee of about 20 Convenors to provide policy advice and support to a smaller joint UNEP-Industry Steering Committee. Most of the convenors will be representative of industry itself with each continent represented. We are also seeking a few outstanding government leaders among the convenors including Bill Ruckelshaus and Emil Salim, Minister of State for Development and Environment Control in Indonesia

With the World Bank playing a leadership role among donors in the field of environmentally sound industrial development and in light of your background in the field of finance, I would very much welcome your agreeing to be a convenor. The role of convenor is that of a sponsor. We would wish to feel free to call on the convenors for advice from time to time but would not expect attendance at meetings before the conference itself.

This conference will be financed largely from contributions from the private industries themselves in various countries. I have invited, as my senior advisor, Dr. Casey E. Westell, Director of Industrial Ecology of Tenneco, Inc. of the United States to co-ordinate the preparations for the conference. The venue for this conference is yet to be decided, though it is expected to be either in Geneva, London, New York or Paris.

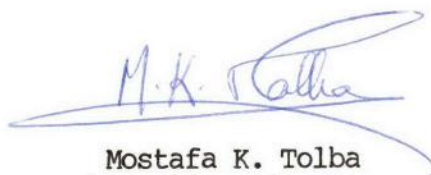
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As we are anxious to complete the composition of our Committee of Convenors, I would appreciate very much an early reply, which I hope will be positive.

With warmest regards,

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'M.K. Tolba', with a large, sweeping flourish underneath.

Mostafa K. Tolba
Executive Director

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1 March 1982

Dear Mr. Clausen,

It was indeed a pleasure to meet with you and your senior staff and to review, even if briefly, the efforts of the Bank in connexion with sound environmental investments. I am indeed impressed by the Bank's record of achievement during the last decade and, more especially, by its initiatives in formulating a series of guidelines in specific economic areas.

In this connexion, I have requested my staff to follow up with James Lee and others with a view to determining how we might make even better use of this very valuable body of information in our own development work.

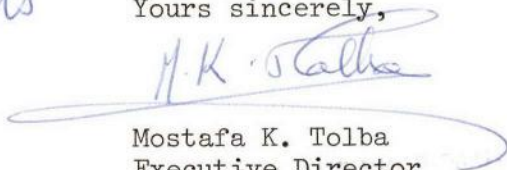
I deeply regret your inability to participate in the Session of Special Character at Nairobi in May. Nevertheless, I am most encouraged at the prospect that the Bank will be represented by a senior level official.

Once again, I believe your Fairfield Osborn lecture has opened new perspectives regarding the Bank's commitment to environmentally sound development and I believe, this coming so soon in your Administration, opens many excellent possibilities for even closer collaboration with UNEP.

I very much look forward to working with you in the future.

Kind personal regards

Yours sincerely,


 Mostafa K. Tolba
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November 23, 1982

Dear Sir:

I refer to your letters to Mr. Clausen of September 9 and 10, 1982 (reference DES/OR 322.04) concerning the Consultative Group for Desertification Control to which were attached a number of project proposals put forward by governments concerned, with assistance from the UNEP Desertification Branch, the Global Environmental Monitoring Systems of UNEP and the UNSO. You asked for comments from The World Bank about those projects and suggested that a UNEP/UNSO mission might visit the Bank to provide additional information and discuss certain technical and financial aspects associated with implementation of the projects.

The units concerned in the various Regional Offices of the Bank have now had an opportunity to review the proposals. You will find hereafter brief summaries of the views expressed. A visit to the Bank by UNEP and UNSO staff would seem to be useful to gain further insights into the Bank's position regarding some of the proposals. If your intention is still to send a UNEP/UNSO mission to visit the Bank, we would appreciate your letting us know in good time when it might take place so that appropriate preparations can be made.

Yours sincerely,

L. Peter Chatenay *C*
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cc: Messrs. Lee, Spears

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1. Project reference: DESCON-4/1 (Tanzania)

It is clear that Tanzania needs assistance with its soil erosion problems. In the case of this project, a number of studies must be made before investment proposals can be formulated, for example on the extent of gulley erosion on the drainage systems, on the economic viability of controlling further deterioration or on the demographic pressures in the area. It is felt that a low level Systematic Reconnaissance Flight (SRF) of the 10,000 ha block could provide much of the information required for a meaningful proposal to be drawn up and presented for funding. It is also a question whether investment in another area such as South East Shinyanga would not provide better returns overall.

2. DESCON-4/2 (Oman)

The project responds to the urgent need to control sand encroachment and to combat desertification. The Bank has no lending program in Oman beyond the current fiscal year. Thereafter, if requested, the Bank may provide technical assistance on a reimbursable basis. In those conditions, the Bank might be willing to take part in this project.

3. DESCON - 4/3 (Lesotho)

The project offers an opportunity, in a first phase, to get a handle after four years on how best to stabilize present erosion. A second phase might be considered to develop plant material that would sustain that soil stability while maintaining production.

4. DESCON-4/5 (Burundi)

The proposal is well presented. Government recognizes the problem and has already set up a National Soil Conservation Program. In this, as in the two projects above, the importance of contour cultivation and contour planting of all crops in well drained areas regardless of slope cannot be over emphasized.

5. DESCON-4/6 (Peru)

This is an interesting program. The importance and timing of the project are appropriate although, realistically, the program will take more than a four year period to complete. There are, however, specific points which may raise difficulties. The benefits, for instance, should be quantified to demonstrate the economic viability of the project. The institutional framework for executing the project should be examined carefully in light of the Peruvian experience. The availability of specialized national staff may also be a problem at the implementation stage.

6. DESCON-4/7 (Argentina)

The Bank would have no special interest in this project. In relation to other countries or in absolute terms, the problems in Argentina are not priority issues. It is not clear that the monitoring and studies proposed would bring significant additional knowledge to what is already known. The proposal for the Chaco seems to be more in the nature of a regional development program than related to environmental monitoring per se.

7. DESCON-4/8 (Bolivia)

The three areas suggested for study are well chosen although perhaps the Tarija area would be of more pressing interest than the Gran Chaco since there has been some preliminary UNDP-financed work on erosion control in Tarija. It is not entirely clear which Bolivian agency is to be responsible for the whole project. In the current very adverse economic circumstances of the country, it is not reasonable to expect that Government could put up its suggested share of costs. It could also be argued that the real need is for an agricultural census of Bolivia which should have priority over the proposed UNEP project.

8. DESCON-4/9 (Yemen)

Any project aiming at improving agriculture would be welcome. The project document should state whether the proposed development would be replicable in the country. An investigation of potential water resources should take place before Phase I is started. The question whether the farm will be a cooperative or a state farm should be answered. Participation by farmers is not mentioned. There are no specifics on the area or costs for appropriate leaching and draining measures. Costs reflected in the project document, e.g. for drilling tubewells or expatriate staff salaries are considerably on the lower side.

9. DESCON-4/10 (Djibouti)

The proposals and objectives appear worthy of support. Further attempts to unearth possible existing data could be useful. Project financing is not clearly explained and would need to be straightened out. Also details about implementation should be firmed up before more than a preliminary indication of support could be given.

9. DESCON-4/11 (Ethiopia)

The project is a simple and, on first sight, an attractive proposal which, subject to technical verification, might be worthy of support. However, there could be doubts about the need for special efforts to provide fuel wood for Ethiopian towns. The project does not have a trial component which some forestry experts consider important in this country. The report does not make clear whether Government has agreed to the necessary staff and to fund the project staff costs.

10. DESCON-4/12 (Mali)

Many ideas and components of this project are similar to two projects which the Bank will appraise in early 1983. There are, as of now, no clear cut answers concerning the best technique and mode of implementation of bourgou and pasture regeneration. Consequently, it could be that the UNEP project would duplicate existing efforts. In the Dire wheat project mentioned in the UNEP proposal, bilateral aid experience shows nearly insurmountable problems, from technical to managerial. The isolation and inaccessibility of the area make agricultural services very expensive and physically difficult. The proposed duration of the project is too short.

11. DESCON-4/14 (Regional)

This dune stabilization project assumes that, for Somalia, Government would finance 40% of costs, i.e. \$1,085,000. Government's willingness to enter into this commitment needs confirmation. Economic benefits have not been quantified. There is little said about implementation agencies although financial agencies will require that information. Although the project with its high labor component would provide much needed employment, costs seem very high at first sight.

12. ~~DESCON-4/15~~ (Regional)

The courses provide a good coverage of integrated pastoral development in the Sahel and are well oriented towards practical training through field studies. If project funds were available, financing participation by individuals could be considered. However, funding total fellowship costs would not seem appropriate for scarce Bank/IDA funds. The priority need is to develop a strategy for pasture development acceptable to the pastoral and farming population of the Sahel.

13. ~~DESCON-4/16~~ (Gambia)

The Bank has consciously left out the forestry sector from a current project because USAID is financing a forestry project including village woodlots and German aid is financing a forestry inventory. It seems to us that the UNEP proposed project would be more appropriately linked to a project such as the USAID project which included new production from village woodlots and family plantings. Because of the limitations on absorptive capacity in the Gambia, it is difficult to imagine that a separate project specifically to control bush fires could be justified despite the need to control those fires.

14. ~~DESCON-4/17~~ (Cameroon)

It is not clear whether the authors of the proposal knew of the Bank's involvement in the forestry sector in the region. There are two Bank projects: the Northern Province Rural Development Project in which first plantings began in 1982 and the Forestry Project which is not yet effective. As regards the UNEP proposal, it would seem sensible to evaluate the results of Phase I including the maintenance and protection of the plantations. Some of the activities proposed may be covered by the Bank assisted projects. An integration of activities in the area is called for. The suggested discussion between UNEP and the Bank would be useful.

15. DESCON-4/18 (Guinea)

The Bank Forestry Sector Review (August 1982) identified the problem and possible solutions. A Bank mission to Guinea in November 1982 will include a forester who will examine the situation in the Fouta Djalon area and possible investment opportunities. This forester will be briefed on the proposals made in the UNEP paper. External financing will be required for projects in this region and training will be an important component of any project.

16. DESCON-4/19 (Guinea Bissau)

The Bank has no first-hand knowledge of this country in the forestry sector. It is not easy to understand why forestry should play a part in this project which aims at developing small valleys and low-lying areas with irrigation. Given the urgency of problems further North in the arid regions, it is a question why UNSO would become involved in such a scheme.

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

TO: Mr. Olivier Lafourcade, EXC

DATE: January 12, 1982

FROM: Shirley Boskey, Director, IRD *SB**A*SUBJECT: Visit of Executive Director of the UN Environment Programme

1. This will confirm our conversation of yesterday, concerning the request of Mostafa Tolba, head of the UN Environment Programme, (UNEP) for a meeting with Mr. Clausen on February 23. The request was conveyed informally to Dr. Lee by UNEP's liaison representative at the United Nations. It will be embodied in a letter to Mr. Clausen which will provide some information about the subject of the visit (the environment, of course, but perhaps something more specific). You told me that Mr. Clausen could see Mr. Tolba at 4:30, and I have passed that information on to Dr. Lee, who will report it to the UNEP UN representative coordinating Mr. Tolba's appointments.

2. Dr. Lee was also asked whether Mr. Clausen might be host at a luncheon on February 23, to which he would invite not only Mr. Tolba but also the heads of the IDB, the OAS and USAID, to discuss common environmental interests. I told Dr. Lee that I thought it inappropriate to suggest that Mr. Clausen do so; if Mr. Tolba wanted to try to organize such a luncheon, that was different. But I added that February 23 was a Board day and that it would be difficult for Mr. Clausen to participate in a luncheon with outsiders on such a day; I suggested that that be the basis for Dr. Lee's informal response to the equally informal inquiry.

cc: Mr. Benjenk, VPE
Dr. Lee, Environmental Adviser
Mr. de Lusignan, UN Representative

*Scheduled for Feb 23
at 4:15 p.m.*

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NYEP-4844 THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE UNITED NATIONS ENVIRONMENT PROGRAMME, DR. MOSTAFA K. TOLBA, HAS ASKED THAT I CONVEY TO

YOU HIS DELIGHT AND APPRECIATION THAT HE WILL BE ABLE TO MEET WITH YOU AT 4:15, TUESDAY, 23 FEB, AT YOUR HEADQUARTERS. DR.

TOLBA WISHES TO EXPRESS IN PERSON HIS GRATITUDE FOR YOUR VERY IMPORTANT STATEMENT WITH ITS STRONG ENVIRONMENTAL EMPHASIS ON THE OCCASION OF THE FAIRFIELD OSBORN MEMORIAL LECTURE LAST NOVEMBER AND TO BRIEFLY REVIEW WITH YOU CRITICAL CHALLENGES FACING YOUR RESPECTIVE ORGANIZATIONS DURING THE NEXT DECADE. HE IS MOST ENCOURAGED BY YOUR PERSPECTIVES ON THE INTEGRATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL CRITERIA WITH DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMMES, PARTICULARLY AS THEY APPLY TO THE THIRD WORLD.

THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR IS VERY PLEASED TO HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO MEET WITH YOU AT THIS TIME.

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January 25, 1982

Dear Mr. Tolba:

Thank you for your letter of December 21. It was awaiting my return from a trip overseas.

I am pleased to have been asked to write a preface to the presentation book which UNEP is preparing for the Session of a Special Character of its Governing Council. However, I must decline. Since I represent The World Bank, I feel that any preface I endorse should be limited to publications by or for the Bank. Hopefully, you will understand. Please be assured of my strong belief in the importance of focusing attention on the environment as it relates to economic development.

I reciprocate your good wishes for the New Year.

Sincerely,



A.W. Clausen *AWC*

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P.S. I look forward to seeing you on February 23.



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21 December 1981

Dear Mr. Clausen,

Fully aware of your concern over the need for taking environmental considerations fully into account in development activities, I am writing to request that you consider writing a short preface to a presentation book we are preparing for a "Session of a Special Character" of the UNEP Governing Council convened by the General Assembly in May next year in commemoration of the UN Conference on Human Environment held in Stockholm in 1972. The Session of Special Character will be open to all States members of the UN Family.

The book, entitled "Voices in Defence of the Earth", is an anthology of contributions on the theme "development without destruction" by present and former leaders of developing countries.

The contributors are: Presidents Daniel Arap Moi (Kenya), José López Portillo (Mexico), General Mohammed Sayid Barrè (Somalia) and Ferdinand Marcos (The Philippines); H.M. Sultan Qaboos bin Said of Oman; Prime Ministers Indira Gandhi (India), Edward Seaga (Jamaica) and Sir Julian Chan (Papua New Guinea); and former Presidents Jorge Rafael Videla of Argentina and Leopold Sedar Senghor of Senegal.

Their statements, taken together, demonstrate a growing awareness among developing countries of the need for environmental protection and sustainable use of living resources in the course of economic development. This is of course central to the activities of our organisations, which is why I would ask you for a contribution to the book which both endorses and encourages the trend and makes particular reference to the practical support offered by the World Bank.

I feel sure that a preface under your signature, of perhaps about 1,000 words, would add to the authority of the publication and assist our

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Mr. A. W. Clausen,
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purpose in securing a fully global reaffirmation of the Principles and Declaration of the Stockholm Conference in its tenth anniversary year.

I look forward to your response which I hope, sincerely, will be positive to the request.

I wish you a very happy New Year.

Yours truly,



Mostafa K. Tolba
Executive Director

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December 3, 1981

Dear Mr. Tolba:

Thank you for your kind words of congratulations on my assuming the Presidency of The World Bank and about my address at the 1981 Fairfield Osborn Memorial Lecture. I am pleased to send you herewith a copy of that statement in full.

You can rest assured that The World Bank will continue to be committed to the integration of environmental considerations in the development process and to maintaining its good working relationships with the United Nations Environment Program. I look forward to a further strengthening of our collaborative efforts in this field for the benefit of our member countries.

Sincerely,



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13 November 1981

Dear Mr. Clausen,

Although we met briefly at the recent Senior Officers' meeting of the ACC, I did want to take this opportunity to again extend my congratulations to you on your recent appointment to the Presidency of the World Bank and to assure you of UNEP's desire to work closely with you in promoting our common objectives.

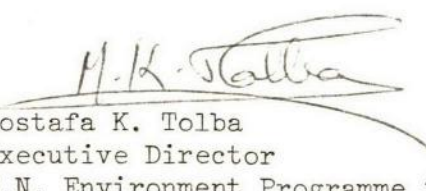
More directly, I am especially gratified with your statement of 12 November at the 1981 Fairfield Osborn Memorial Lecture on natural resources and economic development.

Your remarks "that it is globally imperative that development include vigorous attention to resource management and development" is a much needed message to the world. I was particularly impressed by the emphasis you gave to the fact that "conservation in the broadest sense" is not a luxury for people rich enough to vacation in scenic parks, but rather a goal of economic growth, it dictates a serious and abiding concern for resource management.

Under your direction, I am confident that the Bank will continue to encourage the integration of environmental considerations in the development process and will be greatly enhanced. Your leadership is not only significant but very much needed.

I look forward to meeting with you in the year ahead as the United Nations Environment Programme approaches its tenth anniversary in June 1982. I have asked my staff to obtain a copy of your speech so that it might be distributed to others during my travels.

Yours sincerely,


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