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488 /5 /139 October 6, 1970 Dear Mr. Campbell: Thank you for your letter of October 1 advising that Mr. Read P. Dunn, Jr., Executive Director of the International Institute for Cotton (IIC), would be in touch with my office to request an appointment for the Executive Committee of the IIC to meet with me on October 19 or 20. I am enclosing a copy of a letter which I have sent to Mr. Dunn today informing him that I will be out of the country on the dates proposed, but suggesting that the Committee might, in my absence, wish to meet with a group of my senior associates interested in the problems of international agricultural research. Sincerely, (Signed) Robert S. McNamara Robert S. McNamara Honorable J. Phil Campbell Under Secretary of Agriculture Department of Agriculture Washington, D.C. 20250 RHDemuth: tsb October 5, 1970 cc: Office of the President (2) Mr. Evans Cleared in substance with Mr. Evans

488 15 /166 OCT 29 1970 Dear Mr. Minister: I should like to express my warmest thanks to you for a most interesting and rewarding visit. Although I could not spend as much time in Yugoslavia as I may have wished, the excellent organization of my trip gave me the opportunity to acquire a fuller understanding of your country and its development efforts. As I told you, I have been very impressed with Yugoslavia's remarkable progress, which was achieved in often difficult circumstances. I am looking forward to an expansion of the fruitful cooperation between Yugoslavia and the Bank, so that we may continue to be associated with Yugoslavia's successful economic development. Mrs. McNamara is particularly grateful for Mrs. Smole's very kind hospitality, which contributed so much to her enjoyment of our visit. Sincerely, (Signed) Robert S. McNamara Robert S. McNamara His Excellency Janko Smole Federal Secretary for Finance Federal Secretariat for Finance Belgrade Yugoslavia cc: Mr. McNamara's office ELamers/emt October 29, 1970

488 15 1765 OCT 29 1970 Dear Mr. President: I should like to thank you for your kind gesture in receiving me during my recent visit to Yugoslavia. It was an honor and a great pleasure for me to meet with you, ami to hear your views on Yugoslavia's development and on the problems facing the developing countries of the world. Although I could spend only too limited a time in Yugoslavia, I am happy that, thanks to the well-balanced schedule of the visit, I had the opportunity to meet many of Yugoslavia's leading personalities and to see much of your fascinating country. I left Yugoslavia deeply impressed with the tremendous social and economic progress the country had made under your leadership. I am very pleased that the Bank had had the opportunity to make some contribution to these achievements which I consider to be an example to other developing countries. On behalf of both Mrs. McNamara and myself, may I express my personal regards and my best wishes in the discharge of your heavy responsibilities. Sincerely, (Signed) Robert S. McNamara Robert S. McNamara His Excellency Josip Broz-Tito President of the Socialist Federal Republic of Yugoslavia Belgrade Yugoslavia cc: Mr. McNamara's office ELamers/emt October 29, 1970

His Excellency
Suleyman Demirel
Prime Minister of Turkey
Ankara

Dear Mr. Prime Minister:

I remember with pleasure my visit to Turkey in July 1968 during which
we discussed Turkey's development efforts and I explained to you the Bank's
desire to participate more actively in these efforts. We discussed at that

I remember with pleasure my visit to Turkey in July 1968 during which we discussed Turkey's development efforts and I explained to you the Bank's desire to participate more actively in these efforts. We discussed at that time Turkey's difficult balance of payments position and external debt burden and you explained to me the changes which would be made in your economic policies and in the choice of development priorities in order to improve the prospects for the further growth of the Turkish economy and in particular for the balance of payments. I told you of my wish to step up Bank Group lending to Turkey to help your efforts to build a modern and outward looking economy.

In August of this year your government made a major change in the exchange rate and introduced an impressive program of short-term stabilization measures, which should greatly help in improving the prospects of Turkey's balance of payments and in building up its ability to borrow abroad. The re-assessment of Turkey's economic policies which underlaid this program implies a large number of changes in the future management of the economy and we are anxious to learn more of the further steps that you have in mind to implement your long-term objectives. On the part of the Bank Group, several of your most important development projects have been financed since 1968, many further possibilities for lending have been examined jointly with your officials and a considerable number of potential loans are already under discussion between the Turkish authorities and the Bank. I therefore feel that the time is ripe for another fruitful discussion of the kind we had together two years ago.

I discussed this with His Excellency the Minister of Finance at the Bank's Annual Meeting in Copenhagen and we agreed that the Bank's Senior Vice President, Mr. J. Burke Knapp would visit Turkey in November preceded by several members of the Bank's staff. In the meantime, preparations have been made for these visits. We have arranged with your officials for a mission headed by Mr. Hartwich, the Deputy Director of the Europe, Middle East and North Africa Department, to arrive in Ankara on November 1 to discuss the Government's further intentions with regard to economic policies relevant to Bank Group lending. Mr. Knapp plans

to arrive in Turkey on November 9 and to be in Ankara from November 12 to 1h to review with you and your principal ministers the main outlines of your development program and supporting development policies, and the measures which the Bank might take in support of your efforts.

Mr. Prime Minister, I look forward with great interest to Mr. Knapp's return and his account of his discussions with you. Lending on the scale I envisage, in association with a course of action on your part to strengthen the management of the economy and build up Turkey's external creditworthiness would represent an important expansion in the Bank's role in assisting the development of Turkey. As you know from our discussions in 1968, I would greatly welcome this opportunity.

Sincerely,

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara

cc: Mr. Knapp Mr. Benjenk

GBillington/DHartwich/pb October 28, 1970

488/5/162 OCT 29 1970 Dear Mr. Hanning: A full schedule of overseas travel in recent weeks has prevented me from responding sooner to your very absorbing communication. I read with much interest the descriptive brochures about the Peace Academy Committee's splendid projects and was especially captivated by your "sermon" on Defense and Development. As you know, I have long been intrigued with the "Hearts and Minds" effort, so I appreciated your succinct analysis of that and similar programs. Reflecting back on my Montreal statement of four years ago -and what has transpired since -- one would have to acknowledge, as you do in the first chapter of your report, that even the most fully developed societies are not free from internal social tumult. Nonetheless, I believe that what I said in Montreal, and repeated in Copenhagen recently, is still valid: That there is a point of diminishing returns beyond which more and more military hardware does not provide more and more security and that if security implies anything, it implies a minimal measure of order and stability. Without internal development of at least a minimal degree, order and stability are simply not possible. I do endorse the Committee's efforts to help establish a viable and effective framework for international accord and I am pleased to learn of the organization's success. William Clark and I wish you continued success and warmest regards. Thank you for writing. Sincerely, (Signed) Robert S. McNamara Robert S. McNamara Mr. Hugh Hanning International Peace Academy Committee of the International Research Fund, Inc. Kipling Road Brattleboro, Vermont 05301 cc: Mr. William Clark TAB/jsw

488/5/161 The Honorable OCT 29 1970 Mario Ferrari-Aggradi Ministro del Tesoro Ministero del Tesoro Via XX Settembre Rome, Italy Dear Mr. Minister: I was glad to be able to report to your predecessor, Sgr. Colombo, in my letter of July 1st last the successful outcome of the negotiations between the Part I members of the International Development Association on arrangements

for a Third Replenishment of the resources of the Association. I was glad also to be able to pay tribute in that letter to the valuable support which your Covernment had given us throughout the negotiations.

Because your Government has always supported us in the past, I feel that I can appeal to you for your help now in the matter of your contribution to the Second Replenishment. As you know, the third and final payment from governments (whether in cash or in the form of the deposit of notes) will be due on November 8th next. Naturally we have received no such payments from your Government because, for reasons which we well understand, it has not proved possible for you to obtain the approval of your Parliament to the Second Replenishment arrangements. This creates no difficulty for us as regards the financing of disbursements since these follow only at some interval after the making of our commitments to developing countries. We are, however, concerned about the effect on our lending program during the remainder of the present fiscal year (July 1970 - June 1971) should you find it impossible before June 30th next either to make the payments required from you under the Second Replenishment arrangements or at least to notify us that you intend to do so. Unless you can do this, we shall have no authority to commit the \$48 million which we were expecting from your Government and this will create some difficulty for us in carrying out our present lending program of \$588 million in the present fiscal year.

I am, therefore, writing to ask you whether we could expect to receive the necessary communication, say, within the next month or so and to appeal to you to do all in your power to make this possible.

Sincerely,

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara

Robert S. McNamara

Copy to Dr. Guido Carli Governatore Banca d'Italia Via Nazionale, 91 Rome, Italy

2 copies to Mr. McNamara's office DHFRickett:emcc IDA

488/5/160 OCT 29 1970 Monsieur le Président, J'ai l'honneur d'accuser réception de votre lettre en date du 21 octobre 1970. J'ai noté que vous avez donné autorisation à M. P. Ileka, Ambassadeur de la République Démocratique du Congo, de signer le Plan d'Opération pour la deuxième phase de l'étude des transports fluviaux, et je vous en remercie. Je vous prie de recevoir, Monsieur le Président, les assurances de ma haute considération. (Signed) Robert S. McNamara

Robert S. McNamara

Lieutemant-Général J. D. Mobutu Président de la République Démocratique du Congo, Kinshasa.

UNOFFICIAL TRANSLATION

Letter sent to President Mobutu,
Kinshasa,
Democratic Republic of the Congo

dated: October .., 1970

Dear Mr. President,

I am writing to you regarding your letter dated October 21, 1970.

I have noted that you have given authorization to Mr. P. Ileka, Ambassador of the Democratic Republic of the Congo, to sign the Plan of Operation for the second phase of the river transport study. I would thank you for this.

Please receive, Mr. President the expression of my highest esteem.

(signed) Robert S. McNamara

Th. U. Halbe/dw

BUREAU DU PRESIDENT

Kinshasa, le 2 1 OCT. 1970

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TRANSMIS copie pour information à :

Monsieur. l'Ambassadeur de la République Démocratique du Congo aux Etats-Unis d'Amérique WASHINGTON.

A Monsieur Robert S. Mc NAMARA Président de la Banque Mondiale 1818 H. Street, N.W.

WASHINGTON D.C., 20433, U.S.A.

Monsieur le Président,

J'ai l'honneur de porter à votre connaissance que, par la présente, je donne pouvoir à Monsieur P. ILEKA, Ambassadeur de la République Démocratique du Congo à Washington, avec faculté de substitution, de signer au nom de la République Démocratique du Congo, le Plan d'Opération (Deuxième phase - Projet des Transports Fluviaux) entre ladite République, le Programme des Nations Unies pour le Développement (Fonds Spécial) et la Banque Internationale pour la Reconstruction et le Développement, en qualité d'Agent de Participation et d'Exécution du Fonds Spécial.

En conséquence, Mr. P. ILEKA ou toute personne qu'il se sera substitué, a pouvoir et qualité de signer valablement au nom de la République Démocratique du Congo le Plan d'Opération ainsi que tous documents y afférents.

Veuillez agréer, Monsieur le Président, l'assurance de ma considération la plus distinguée.-REPUBLIQUE DEMOCRATIQUE

CONGO

LEOPRESIDENT DE LA REPUBLIQUE,

= J. D. MOBUTU = Lieutenant-Général

Réf.

488/5/158 Mr. Krishnaswamy: October 27, 1970 During his visit to Ethiopia, Mr. McNamara met briefly with senior staff of the Organization of African Unity. At that meeting it seemed that over the past years several OAU staff members have, without success, approached EDI on the possibility of their participating in EDI courses. They wondered why their cardidates were not acceptable -- and asked Mr. McNamara to correct this situation. Mr. McNamara has asked to be informed of how many staff members from the OAU actually have applied to EDI, or in any other way approached EDI on the suitability of their candidacies. Furthermore, he would like to know if EDI has ever rejected such requests and what reasons were used to explain why they were not acceptable to EDI.

L.E. Christoffersen

498/5/157 October 26, 1970 Dear Mr. Negre: Your letter of September 14 reached my office while I was attending the Annual Meeting in Copenhagen. I am sorry that my reply has been further delayed by my absence on another trip abroad. I greatly appreciated your expression of interest in joining the staff of the World Bank Group and I have given very careful consideration to how we might take advantage of your availability. However, because of your very broad background and experience, it is extremely difficult to find an opening in the Bank that would be commensurate with the responsibilities you have held or which would match your particular experience. Very few such posts exist in the Bank and at present they are all filled. I assure you that we will bear in mind your application if a suitable opportunity does arise. The further thought has occurred to me that a person with your qualifications might be of considerable interest to the United Nations Development Program, particularly in relation to their need for highly qualified and experienced persons to discharge the functions of "Country Representative" in developing countries. If a post of this kind would be of interest to you, I would be glad to suggest to Paul Hoffman that he get in touch with you to review the possibilities. Sincerely, (Signed) Robert S. McNamara Robert S. McNamara Mr. Louis Negre c/o Mr. Andre Malcouronne (BERMAL) 20, avenue de l'Opera Paris 8e, France Knapp:pay

488/5/156 OCT 26 1970 Dear President Hoxie: The student symposium you describe does indeed sound like a significant educational undertaking. Certainly it is timely. Grateful as I am for the kind invitation to participate as an observer, I regret that my schedule is so crowded for December that it will be impossible to be there. Nor do I feel that I should make the financial contribution you requested. Thank you for thinking of me, however, and please accept my best wishes for a successful meeting. Sincerely, (Signed) Robert S. McNamara Robert S. McNamara Dr. R. Gordon Hoxie President Center for the Study of the Presidency 17 East 80th Street New York New York 10021 TAB/jew

488/5/155 OCT 2 6 1970 OCT 00 13/0 Dear Senor Plaza:

With reference to your letter of October 14, 1970, I understand that members of the Bank staff are already in touch with members of your staff in connection with the work you have undertaken on the problem of unemployment in the Caribbean region. We have also discussed the matter informally with Mr. Walter Sedwitz, your Executive Secretary for Economic and Social Affairs. He suggests that an appropriate Bank contribution to your review of the employment problem can best be worked out in the course of these staff discussions. I agree with this suggestion and trust it will be acceptable to you if we proceed accordingly.

Sincerely,

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara

Robert S. McNamara

H.E. Senor Don Calo Plaza Secretary General Organization of American States 17th St. and Constitution Ave., N. W. Washington, D. C. 20006

MLHoffman/pnn October 20, 1970

cc: Mr. McNamara's files (2)

488/5/154 OCT 23 1970 AHMED TUQAN PRIME MINISTER AND MINISTER OF FOREIGN AGGAIRS MAMMAN JORDAN OF OCTOBER 22 HAVE DEEP SYMPATHY FOR SITUATION DESCRIBED IN YOUR CABLE AND ALTHOUGH PROVISION OF ASSISTANCE FOR EMERGENCY RELIEF AND REHABILITATION LIES OUTSIDE COMPETENCE OF WORLD BANK GROUP I SHALL CONSIDER YOUR MESSAGE AND DISCUSS WITH UNITED BARTONS AUTHORITIES AND HOPE RESPOND WITHIN A FEW DAYS HCNAMARA INTBAFRAD cc: Messrs Demuth Hoffman Benjenk JBKnapp:1db J. Burke Knapp Vice President

488/5/153 October 23, 1970 Dear Mrs. Ahmad: The sad news of your husband's death reached me in Ethiopia. It was a great shock. Mrs. McNamara and I wish to express our deep sympathy to you and to your son and daughter. Mr. Ahmad's record in the Bank was commendable in every respect. We remember him especially for his excellent work during the Annual Meetings. He had the ability to work under pressure, to plan intelligently on a broad scale without overlooking detail, always maintaining his good humor. I know you shared in your husband's accomplishments. I hope the pride you have in this achievement will help to sustain you in the days ahead. Sincerely, (Signed) Robert S. McNamara Robert S. McNamara Mrs. Anwar Ahmad 201 North Spring Street Falls Church, Virginia MBillings:ml

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LEIF E. CHRISTOFFERSEN

OCTOBER 22, 1970

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NORWAY

IBRD LONDON OFFICE CONFIRMS POUCH RECEIVED AND DELIVERED TO MR. MCNAMARA. WELL DONE. ALL WELL AT YOUR HOUSE. THEY SEND THEIR LOVE. REGARDS.

YATES

INTBAFRAD

Pauline A. Yates
Office of the President

LEIF E. CHRISTOFFERSEN

october 19, 1970

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MADE RESERVATION MCNAMARAS RIVER CLUB THAT NIGHT.

HOPE ALL WELL NORWAY. BEST REGARDS.

YATES

INTBAFRAD

Pauline A. Yates
Office of the President

Mr CNamara

488/5/150

OCT 9 1970

Dear Mr. Perez-Guerrero:

I want to thank you for your letter of September 29 concerning the discussions of supplementary financing at the recent meeting of the Trade and Development Board. I fully agree that it would be useful for us to discuss these matters during your forthcoming visit to the United States.

I am leaving Washington at the end of this week and expect to be back just before October 24. Since we will be meeting at the IACB and ACC sessions, I suggest that, at that time, we fix a date for our discussion on supplementary finance.

Sincerely,

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara

Robert S. McNamara

Mr. Manuel Perez-Guerrero Secretary-General United Nations Conference on Trade and Development Palais des Nations CH - 1211 Geneva Switzerland

FConsolo/RHDemuth:da Typed October 7, 1970

488/5/149 October 9, 1970 Dear Mr. Governor, During the Bank's annual meetings in Copenhagen, Mr. Mohamed Shoaib, Vice President and Mr. Abdel G. El Emary, Special Adviser to the President, have discussed with you and with His Excellency Captain Omar Al-Meheishi, Member of R.C.C. and Minister of Treasury, the proposal for the Bank to borrow ten million Libyan pounds from the Bank of Libya with a five-year maturity. I am pleased that an agreement on the rate of interest at 8% has now been reached. According to Section 1(b) of Article IV of the Bank's Articles of Agreement formal approval of Libya is required for the proposed borrowing in the capital market of Libya and for exchange of the proceeds of such borrowing for the currency of any member of the Bank without restriction. I assume that this approval has been obtained and I shall be grateful for your confirmation so as to enable us to proceed with the transaction. Sincerely, (Signed) Robert S. McNamara Robert S. McNamara His Excellency K.M. Sherlala Covernor Bank of Libya Tripoli, Libyan Arab Republic SEIF/1s Cleared w/Messrs. Shoaib Broches Hittmair

48815 /148 OCT 9 1970 Dear Dr. Mejia Palacio: Thank you for the invitation, in your letter of September 8, to attend the National Convention of the Colombian Bankers Association in Medellin on November 12 and 13, 1970. I recall the conversation which I had with you and some of your distinguished colleagues at lunch in the Benco de Bogote lest July, and would welcome the opportunity to renew our acquaintance, but for the obstacle of certain engagements which I have already contracted. I should, however, like to take advantage of the opportunity presented in your letter, to have Mr. Alberto Favilla, our Resident Representative in Colombia, attend the Convention for the Bank. Sincerely, (Signed) Robert S. McNamara Robert S. McNamara Dr. Jorge Mejia Palacio Asociacion Bancaria de Colombia Apertado Aereo 1399h Bogota D.E. 1 COLOMBIA cc. Mr. Alberto Favilla, Bogota Mr. Christoffersen RMFrost imdk

488/5/147 October 8, 1970 Mr. Gustave L. Levy Goldman, Sachs & Co. 55 Broad Street New York, New York 10004 Dear Mr. Levy: Just before departing for Yugoslavia and Ethiopia, Mr. McNamara asked me to tell you he regrets he will not have returned in time to attend the dinner on October 21. He suggested that you might wish to invite Mr. Siem Aldewereld, but I have since learned that Mr. Aldewereld will not be available. Alternatively, you might wish to invite Mr. Eugene Rotherg, the Treasurer. Sincerely, (Miss) Polly Yates Secretary to Mr. McNamara

488 /5 /146 October 8, 1970 Dear Mr. Hamilton: Thank you for arranging to have my Copenhagen speech inserted in the Congressional Record. Needless to say, I was extremely pleased. With best wishes, Sincerely, Robert S. McNamara The Honorable Lee H. Hamilton House of Representatives Washington, D.C. 20515 cc: Mr. Merriam for info · pay

488/5/145 October 8, 1970 Dear Mr. Minister: Thank you for your letter of 1st October from which I was very pleased to learn that you have now obtained the agreement of your Council of Ministers that the Belgian Government should fix at 0.70% of GNP for 1975 the assistance of Belgium to developing countries. I was much interested also in the statement of Mr. Eyskens, your Prime Minister, to the Press. The figures quoted in your letter show what a large effort will be required from your country to reach the target recommended by the Pearson Commission by 1975. I can assure you that all those interested in the progress of assistance to developing countries will welcome very warmly this action by your government. Sincerely, (Signed) Robert S. McNamara Robert S. McNamara His Excellency R. Scheyven Minister of Cooperation for Development Brussels, Belgium DHFRickett: emcc cc: Mr. McNamara's Office (2) Mr. Jacques C. Roelandts

488/5 /144 October 8, 1970 Area Department Directors and Deputies John H. Adler Forecast of Board Action We produce at the beginning of each month a schedule of expected Board action on projects to be presented in the next three months. We take the information on expected dates from the timetables which have just been submitted, and check them again with Area Departments (usually the Deputy Director) before circulating the schedule. In order to provide a sound basis for the planning of Board Meetings and more efficient organizational planning and procedures, it is important that the monthly schedule for the Board action be fully representative of the plans and program of the Area Department Director and that no change be made in it without his approval (or in his absence the approval of his Deputy). From now on, therefore, no change will be made in the schedule except on the basis of a memorandum from the appropriate Area Department Director (or his Deputy). This memorandum should describe the relevant factors which caused the decision to change the date of the project presentation. It should be addressed to the P&B Department and copies should be sent to Messrs. McNamara, Knapp and Aldewereld. cc: Mr. Knapp/Mr. Cope Mr. Aldewereld Mr. Chadenet Mr. Mendels Mr. Christoffersen JB:RMcN:ml

488/5/142 Copy for Office of the President October 8, 1970 The Honorable Richard T. Hanna House of Representatives Washington, D.C. 20515 Dear Mr. Hanna: I am replying to your letter of September 23, 1970 concerning the planning and design work being carried out by the Ralph M. Parsons Company for Tocumen Airport in Panama City, Panama. The Government of Panama has requested the Bank to consider a loan for this airport and has hired the Parsons Company to help prepare the project. When a prospective borrower needs such consulting services, it is the Bank's policy to leave the responsibility for the selection of the consultant to the borrower and confine its role to determining whether or not the proposed consultant and his terms of reference are satisfactory for the work required. In the case you mention, the Ralph M. Parsons Company was selected and contracted by the Government of Panama after receiving proposals from 18 firms. The Bank considers the firm qualified for this type of work and had no reason to object to the Government's choice. In those cases where the Bank directly engages the services of a consulting firm, usually when acting as Executing Agency for the United Nations Development Programme, its policy is to invite proposals from three to five firms considered to have the best general qualifications. The proposals, which do not contain prices, are evaluated on their merits and the firm judged to be best qualified is then invited to negotiate a contract with the Bank for the services required. Many firms require outside help in one or more phases of an assignment, either in the form of individual experts or specialized firms with whom they associate or enter into subcontracts. The Ralph M. Parsons Company, for example, has entered into subcontracts for their Tocumen Airport assignment with two other U.S. firms of Dallas, Texas, and with a Panamanian firm.

SMLvanderMeer/vbr October 7, 1970

Cleared with and cc: Mr. Chadenet Mr. Knox

Mr. J. Merriam

488/5/141 October 6, 1970 Dear Mr. Dunn: I am writing in response to your letter of September 25 in which you say that the Executive Committee of the International Institute for Cotton (IIC) would like to discuss the IIC's fiveyear international research and development program with me on October 19 or 20. I would very much like to have met with the members of the Executive Committee to discuss this program, but I will be out of the country on the dates when the members of the Executive Committee will be in Washington. In my absence, it may be useful for the Executive Committee to meet with a group of my senior associates concerned with the problems of international agricultural research. If they would wish to do this, I suggest that you get in touch with Mr. Richard H. Demuth, Director of our Development Services Department, who would be glad to make the necessary arrangements. Sincerely, (Signed) Robert S. McNamara Robert S. McHamara Mr. Read P. Dunn, Jr. Executive Director International Institute for Cotton Room 203, Solar Building 1000 Sixteenth Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20036 Honorable J. Phil Campbell Office of the President (2) Mr. Evans RHDemuth: tsb October 5, 1970 Cleared in substance with Mr. Evans

INTERNATIONAL BANK FOR RECONSTRUCTION AND DEVELOPMENT 488/5/140 1818 H Street, N.W., Washington, D. C. 20433, U.S.A. Area Code 202 • Telephone - EXecutive 3-6360 • Cable Address - INTBAFRAD OCT 6 1970 Son Excellance Monsieur Diori Hemeni Président de la République Nismey, Niger Monsieur le Président, Par lattre du 19 septembre, vous avez bien voulu me faire savoir que, à la suite de ma lettre du 7 soût dernier, vous ne voyez plus d'objection à ce que le second projet routier actuellement en voie de préparation soit négocié sur la base définie par la mission d'évaluation de l'Association Internationale de Développement en mai dernier. Je me félicite de l'accord ainsi réalisé sur ce point, et vous ranouvelle l'assurance que notre Mission Permanente à Abidjan vouera à cette question sa plus grande attention. Permettes-moi, par la même occasion, de vous présenter mes plus sincères félicitations à l'occasion de votre brillante réélection à la Présidence de la République du Miger. J'y vois un témoignage éclatant de la confiance dont vous jouisses auprès du pauple du Niger et un hommage mérité à la haute valeur de votre action en tant qu'autorité suprême de votre pays. Veuillez agréer, Monsieur le Président, l'expression de ma plus haute considération. (Signed) Robert S. McNamara AMaillard: sjb cc: Mr. Christoffersen (Office of the President) Mr. Young (Transportation Projects) w/incoming ra Mr. Rocha (Legal) w/incoming cc: Mr. Kochman

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His Excellency Mr. Diori Hamani President of Niger Niamey, Niger

Dear Mr. President:

By letter dated September 19, you informed me that, in view of my letter dated August 7, you have no objection to the Second Road project presently under preparation being negotiated on the basis defined by the appraisal mission last May. I am gratified by our agreement on this point and assure again that our Permanent Mission in Western Africa will devote its best attention to this question.

I would like also to take this opportunity to congratulate you most sincerely on your redection to the Presidency of the Republic of Niger. This reelection is evidence of the trust that the people of Niger have put in you and constitutes a recognition of the high quality of your leadership as the supreme authority in Niger.

Sincerely,

Robert S. McNamara

cc: Messrs. Christoffersen (Office of the President)
Mr. Young (Transportation Projects) w/incoming
Mr. Rocha (Legal) w/incoming
PMWA

cc: Mr. Kochman

488/5/137 October 5, 1970 MEMORANDUM FOR MR. HATTORI Due to an unusually busy fall schedule of visits to developing countries and international meetings, I regret to inform you that unfortunately it will not be possible for me to visit Japan in the beginning of November for the opening celebration of the Bank's Tokyo Office. On that occasion Sir Denis Rickett will represent the management of the Bank and he will bring with him our best wishes for a successful start of the Tokyo Office which we believe will be able to play an important role in strengthening the Bank's work in your country. Robert S. McNamara

cc:

Mr. Knapp Sir Denis Mr. Ripman Mr. Mendels Mr. Goodman

488/5/136 October 1, 1970 Dear Governor Hoffmeyer: Upon my return to Washington, I wish to express to you my warmest thanks for all you did to make the 1970 Annual Meetings of the Bank Group and the Fund such an outstanding success. As you already may know, the Meetings have, in fact, been described by many of those who were present as the most efficient our organizations have ever held. Each and every detail of the arrangements was exceptionally well planned and also most effectively implemented. My associates and I are indeed immensely impressed by the administrative skills and capabilities of the I know that you personally took such an active interest in all arrangements, from the very first moment the possibility of Copenhagen as a location for the Meetings was discussed until the close of the proceedings last Friday. The remarkable success and distinction which the Meetings achieved have been, in the largest measure, due to your direct and personal involvement. For this reason, both my wife and my associates join me in paying you a special tribute, and we ask you to accept our sincere gratitude for a splendid week in what is truly a wonderful Copenhagen. With all best wishes, Sincerely, (Signed) Robert S. McNamara Robert S. McNamara Mr. Erik Hoffmeyer Chairman, Board of Governors Danmarks Nationalbank Copenhagen ZEC: pay

488/5 /135 October 1, 1970 Dear Governor: Mrs. McNamara and I want to express our warm personal thanks to you and your wife for the lovely dinner party you hosted at the Restaurant Solyst. It was a most pleasant evening indeed and one we both shall long remember. My associates in the Bank Group share my conviction that the arrangements for the 1970 Annual Meetings were an outstanding success. May I, therefore, also send you our expressions of gratitude for your part in this remarkable achievement for which the Danish people can rightly be proud. With best wishes, Sincerely, (Signed) Robert S. McNamara Robert S. McNamara The Honorable P. Nyboe Andersen Minister for Economic Affairs and European Market Relations Copenhagen, Denmark LEC: emcc cc: Mr. Karlsson Mr. Mendels Mr. Lind

488/5/134 October 1, 1970 Dear Governor Möller: Upon my return to Washington, I would like to pay you a special tribute for the superbly efficient security arrangement which the Danish Government provided for Mrs. McNamara and myself while we were in Copenhagen. We were immensely impressed by the manner in which the police and security officers performed their difficult duties and I would be grateful if you could pass on my warmest thanks to all those involved. May I, in particular, commend to you Mr. Borge Larsen, Police Commissioner of Copenhagen, his able associate, Mr. Egon Dalsdorf, and their colleagues, for the splendid support and the courteous assistance they provided during our week in Copenhagen. Let me once again tell you that we carried away with us from Copenhagen the most pleasant memories and the conviction that the 1970 Annual Meetings were indeed an outstanding success. With all best wishes. Sincerely, (Signed) Robert S. McNamara Robert S. McNamara The Honorable Poul Möller Minister of Finance Copenhagen, Denmark LEC: emcc cc: Mr. Karlsson Mr. Mendels Mr. Lind

488 5 /133 October 1, 1970 Dear Louis: Your very gracious invitation to address the Commercial Club of Boston leaves me both highly flattered and deeply regretful. Much as I feel compelled to join such company for an evening, I really must decline. Since assuming the presidency of the World Bank, travels to the developing world have been a priority for me. Next week I shall be off to Yugoslavia and then Ethiopia. And for the rest of the year and well into the next, my schedule is almost fully booked. Thank you for thinking of me -- I truly regret having to say no. With all good wishes, Sincerely, 15/ Bob Robert S. McNamara Mr. Louis W. Cabot Chairman of the Board Cabot Corporation 125 High Street Boston, Mass. 02110 TAB: RMcN: pay

488 5/132 SEP 3 0 1970 Dear Dr. Stopper: The International Bank for Reconstruction and Development proposes to sell publicly in Switzerland, prior to October 31, 1970, an issue of bonds in an aggregate principal amount of Sixty Million Swiss francs (Sw f 60,000,000). The Banque Nationale Suisse is hereby requested, in accordance with Section 6 (i) of the Agreement dated June 29, 1951, between the Swiss Federal Council and the International Bank, to approve the borrowing by the International Bank in the Swiss market of such amounts as may be raised by the issue of not exceeding Sixty Million Swiss francs aggregate principal amount of bonds. The Banque Nationale Suisse is further requested to agree that the International Bank may freely convert the proceeds of such borrowing into any foreign currency. On its part, the International Bank agrees that it will pay the interest on and the principal of the bonds in free Swiss francs. Sincerely, (Signed) Robert S. McNamara Robert S. McNamara Dr. E. Stopper President Banque Nationale Suisse Zurich, Switzerland



INTERNATIONAL BANK FOR RECONSTRUCTION AND DEVELOPMENT WASHINGTON, D. C. 20433, U.S.A.

488/5/131

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

September 30, 1970

Mr. J. Irwin Miller Chairman of the Board Cummins Engine Company 301 Washington Street Columbus, Indiana 47201

Dear Irwin:

Upon my return from Copenhagen I found your September 10 letter awaiting me.

We would be most happy to work with Bill Laws and I suggest that he call either me or Mr. Donald Jeffries to make the necessary arrangements. Mr. Jeffries, the Bank's Chief of Training, is an active participant in the affairs of the Presbyterian church. He would be both qualified and available to help Laws.

Margaret and I were sorry to miss the Trustees meeting last week -- we hope to see you in December or earlier if you should be visiting Washington.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara
Robert S. McNamara

September 30, 1970

Mr. Elihu Bergman Research Associate Carolina Population Center University Square Chapel Hill, N.C. 27514

Dear Mr. Bergman:

Mr. McNamara regrets that it is still not possible to arrange an interview with you. He has just returned from the Annual Meeting in Copenhagen and will be leaving right away on the first of two foreign visits. He suggested, however, that it would perhaps be useful for you to meet with Mr. Hollis Chenery, Economic Adviser to the President. If you should wish to do so, I suggest you contact Mr. Chenery direct. His address is The World Bank, 1818 H Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20433. The phone number is Area Code 202 477-3665.

Sincerely,

(Miss) Polly Yates Secretary to Mr. McNamara

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48 8 5 429 September 30, 1970 Dear Mr. Minister: Thank you for your letter of 22nd September from which I was extremely pleased to learn that the New Zealand Government proposes to make a voluntary contribution to the International Development Association of NZ\$5 million in convertible currency in five equal amounts over the next five years. This will be most helpful to us and we appreciate very much this expression of New Zealand's intention to be associated with the IDA program. Perhaps you would be good enough to let me know, at some convenient opportunity, when you have it in mind to make the first payment. I am also extremely pleased to know that your government will continue to consider the extent to which further contributions can be made and that this present decision should not be regarded as a final contribution for the period in question. I fully understand the reasons why it is difficult for you to come to a final conclusion until the situation about Britain's proposed entry in the EEC and its effect on your economy have become clearer. Sincerely, (Signed) Robert S. McNamara Robert S. McNamara The Honorable R. D. Muldoon Minister of Finance New Zealand DRickett:mek

488 /5/128 September 30, 1970 Mr. Elihu Bergman Research Associate Carolina Population Center University Square Chapel Hill, N.C. 27514 Dear Mr. Bergman: Mr. McNamara regrets that it is still not possible to arrange an interview with you. He has just returned from the Annual Meeting in Copenhagen and will be leaving right away on the first of two foreign visits. He suggested, however, that it would perhaps be useful for you to meet with Mr. Hollis Chenery, Economic Adviser to the President. If you should wish to do so, I suggest you contact Mr. Chenery direct. His address is The World Bank, 1818 H Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20433. The phone number is Area Code 202 477-3665. Sincerely, (Miss) Polly Yates Secretary to Mr. McNamara Total chim

THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA AT CHAPEL HILL

CAROLINA POPULATION CENTER UNIVERSITY SQUARE CHAPEL HILL, NORTH CAROLINA 27514 TELEPHONE: (919) 966-2157 CABLE: POPCENTER, CHAPEL HILL, N. C.

September 15, 1970

Miss Polly Yates
Office of the President
International Bank for Reconstruction
and Development
Washington, D.C. 20433

Dear Miss Yates:

Thanks for your letter of September 1 relaying Mr. McNamara's reaction to my request for an interview.

I appreciate his consideration of the matter. But I should like to ask him to reconsider my request on the following grounds. His public statements on population issues are heard widely, particularly by those interested in population matters. Additionally, as a trustee of The Ford Foundation, he serves an organization whose substantial activities in the population area affect the development of policy in the United States and abroad. Accordingly, anything Mr. McNamara has to say about population issues is valuable for a study of the process by which population policy evolves.

If you think it appropriate, I would be grateful to you for again putting my request to Mr. McNamara.

Sincerely,

Elihu Bergman

Research Associate

HIS EXCELLENCY
HASSAN ABBAS ZAKI
MINISTER OF ECONOMY AND FOREIGN TRADE
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SEPTEMBER 29, 1970

FULL RATE

UNITED ARAB REPUBLIC

AS EYE HAVE CABLED HIS EXCELLENCY THE ACTING PRESIDENT AND MRS NASSER
THIS MORNING EYE AND MY COLLEAGUES AT THE WORLD BANK WERE DEEPLY
SHOCKED AND SADDENED TO LEARN OF THE DEATH OF PRESIDENT NASSER WITH
WHOM EYE HAVE ENJOYED A MOST MEMORABLE ASSOCIATION STOP WE WISH
TO OFFER OUR DEEPEST CONDOLENCES AT THIS TIME OF SORROW SINCEREST
REGARDS

ROBERT S MCNAMARA
PRESIDENT
INTERNATIONAL BANK FOR RECONSTRUCTION
AND DEVELOPMENT

D. Hartwich, Deputy Director
Europe, Middle East and North Africa

cc: Mr. McNamara's Office (2)

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SEPTEMBER 29, 1970

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> ROBERT S MCNAMARA PRESIDENT INTERNATIONAL BANK FOR RECONSTRUCTION AND DEVELOPMENT

Dieter Hartwich, Deputy Director Europe, Middle East and North Africa

cc: Mr. McNamara's Office (2)

Mr. Shoaib

MRS GAMAL ABDEL NASSER CAIRO

SEPTEMBER 29, 1970

FULL RATE

UNITED ARAB REPUBLIC

MRS MCNAMARA AND EYE WISH TO EXPRESS OUR DEEP SYMPATHIES TO YOU AND YOUR FAMILY IN THIS MOMENT OF SORROW STOP SINCEREST REGARDS

ROBERT S MCNAMARA
PRESIDENT
INTERNATIONAL BANK FOR RECONSTRUCTION
AND DEVELOPMENT

D. Hartwich, Deputy Director

Europe, Middle East and North Africa

cc: Mr. McNamara*s Office (2)

488 /5/124 September 29, 1970 Dear General: Thank you so much for your kind letter of September 18, which was brought to me at our Annual Meeting in Copenhagen by your Minister of Finance. I feel greatly honored by the invitation to join in the very distinguished seminar which you are planning .. Unfortunately my time in foreseeable future is already more than fully occupied, among others by a series of visits to several of our member countries. Also, since I am still in the process of learning about development, I try to confine my speeches to not more than two or three official occasions each year. In these circumstances I am very sorry to have to refuse your kind invitation. Nevertheless, I hope the Seminar is held and that it is a success. If the World Bank can be of help to you in any other way please let me know. Sincerely, ROBERT S. McNAMARA Robert S. McNamara General Omar Torrijos H Commandancia General de la Guardia Nacional Panama, R. de P.

488/5/123 September 25, 1970 Dear Mr. Møller: On behalf of my wife and myself and all my colleagues in the World Bank Group, I wish to extend sincerest thanks to you, our host on behalf of the Government of Denmark, and to those many individuals who helped make the 1970 Conference such a success and so pleasant an occasion. I realize that there were some trying experiences for many people at times; nonetheless, the charm of Copenhagen and hospitality of the Danish people prevailed throughout. For that, for the splendid Bella Center, for the stern patience of security officers, for the accommodating weather . . . for this and much more, Mrs. McNamara and I are deeply grateful. Denmark, as one of the earliest members of the World Bank Group, has long supported the cause of international development. So it was entirely appropriate that we should meet in Copenhagen. And Copenhagen responded just as the song says -- wonderfully. Again, please accept my fullest appreciation. Best wishes to you, your charming wife, and the people of Denmark. Sincerely, Robert S. McNamara Mr. Poul Møller Minister of Finance Ministry of Finance Copenhagen, Denmark WDClark: RMcN:mss

488/5/122 September 25, 1970 Dear Mr. Møller: On behalf of my wife and myself and all my colleagues in the World Bank Group, I wish to extend sincerest thanks to you, our host on behalf of the Government of Denmark, and to those many individuals who helped make the 1970 Conference such a success and so pleasant an occasion. I realize that there were some trying experiences for many people at times; nonetheless, the charm of Copenhagen and hospitality of the Danish people prevailed throughout. For that, for the splendid Bella Center, for the stern patience of security officers, for the accommodating weather . . . for this and much more, Mrs. McNamara and I are deeply grateful. Denmark, as one of the earliest members of the World Bank Group, has long supported the cause of international development. So it was entirely appropriate that we should meet in Copenhagen. And Copenhagen responded just as the song says -- wonderfully. Again, please accept my fullest appreciation. Best wishes to you, your charming wife, and the people of Denmark. Sincerely, Robert S. McNamara Mr. Poul Møller Minister of Finance Ministry of Finance Copenhagen, Denmark WDClark: RMcN:mss

488/5/121 September 24, 1970 Dear Governor: Thank you for informing me by your letter of September 21 of the appointment, effective October 19, 1970, of Dr. Fritz Stedtfeld as Executive Director of the Bank for the Federal Republic of Germany to succeed Dr. Wilhelm Hanemann. I look forward to meeting Dr. Stedtfeld and to welcoming him to the Bank Group. Sincerely, nu Mh Capril D. Mc Namara Robert S. McNamara His Excellency Prof. Dr. Karl Schiller Minister of Economic Affairs Delegation of Federal Republic of Germany Room 20-290 Bella Center, Copenhagen MPS/DDF/bm

ENGLISH TRANSLATION - Not for Transmittal Dear Mr. President: I acknowledge receipt of your letter of August 31 and it is with great pleasure that I accept your kind invitation to visit Mauritania in January 1971. I have asked Mr. Mohamed Nassim Kochman, Executive Director of the Bank for Mauritania, and Mr. Roger Chaufournier, Director of the Western Africa Department to determine a specific date and make all the necessary arrangements. I am particularly pleased to note your interest in the action of the World Bank Group and I shall be very much honored to meet you and to have an exchange of views on matters of development assistance. It is with great interest that I shall observe at first hand the situation and prospects of the economy of Mauritania and discuss with you and your advisers how the World Bank Group can best contribute to the development of your country. Sincerely, (Signed) Robert S. McNamara Robert S. McNamara His Excellency Moktar Ould Daddah President of the Islamic Republic of Mauritania Noualchott, Mauritania CRosenblad/RAdams: jd September 16, 1970

SEP 16 1970

Monsieur le Président,

J'ai l'honneur d'accuser réception de votre lettre du 31 août et c'est avec un très grand plaisir que j'accepte votre aimable invitation de visiter la Mauritanie en janvier 1971. J'ai demandé à Monsieur Mohamed Nassim Kochman, Administrateur auprès du Groupe de la Banque pour la Mauritanie, et à Monsieur Roger Chaufournier, Directeur du Département Afrique de l'Ouest, de convenir d'une date précise et de prendre toutes autres dispositions nécessaires.

Je me félicite tout particulièrement de l'intérêt que vous portez à l'action du Groupe de la Banque Mondiale et ce sera pour moi un très grand honneur de vous rencontrer et d'avoir avec vous un échange de vues sur les problèmes d'aide au développement. C'est avec un vif intérêt que je me rendrai compte sur place de la situation et des perspectives de l'économie mauritanienne et j'espère pouvoir m'entretenir avec vous et vos collaborateurs des moyens à mettre en œuvre pour permettre au Groupe de la Banque Mondiale de contribuer efficacement au développement de votre pays.

Veuillez agréer, Monsieur le Président, l'expression de ma très haute considération.

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara

Robert S. McNamara

Son Excellence Maître Moktar Ould Daddah Président de la République Islamique de Mauritanie Nouakchott, Mauritanie

CRosenblad/RAdams: jd

cc: Mr. Kochman (Executive Director)

September 15, 1970

488/5/119 September 16, 1970 Dear Mr. Deputy Prime Hinister: I was most pleased to learn that you will succeed Tunku Abdul Rahman as Prime Minister of Malaysia on September 21, 1970. Please accept my warm congratulations on your accession to the premiership and my best wishes in guiding the future of your country. Since independence Malaysia has made substantial progress, particularly in diversifying the economy and in accelerating rural development. I am sure that under your leadership it will continue to witness rapid economic and social growth. For our part, we look forward to a continuation of the close cooperation which have characterized the relationship between Malaysia and the Bank Group. Sincerely, Robert S. McMamara His Excellency Tun Haji Abdul Rasak bin Dato Hussein Deputy Prime Minister Kuala Lumpur Malaysia ec: Mr. McNamara's Office (2) JMJentgen/DJFontein:vom Bank

478 5 /119 September 16, 1970 Dear Mr. Prime Minister: It is with regret that I learned of your retirement as Prime Minister of Malaysia, effective on September 21, 1970, after having successfully guided the destiny of your country for 1) years from its inception as an independent nation through sometimes difficult and trying times. Under your leadership Malaysia made remarkable economic and social progress. We in the Bank Group are happy to have been associated with this development and we look forward to a continued close relationship with your country and its people. I wish you many years of happy retirement during which, I am sure, the nation will continue to rely on your advice and counsel. Sincerely, Robert S. McNamara His Excellency Tunku Abdul Rahmen Putra Al-haj Prime Minister of Malaysia Kuala Lumpur Malaysia JMJentgen/DJFontein:vcm Bank cc: Mr. McNamara's Office (2) Mr. Gilmartin

488 5/117 le 16 septembre 1970 Monsieur le Directeur Général, C'est avec une grande satisfaction que j'ai pris connaissance du télégramme du 27 août dernier nous informant que la Banque Centrale des Etats de l'Afrique de l'Ouest avait décidé de somerire à la dermière émission d'obligations à deux ens de la Benque Mondiale pour un montant de deux millions cent mille dollars. Je me plais à voir dans votre décision non soulement le témoignage de la confiance que vous continues d'accorder à nos obligations en tent qu'instrument d'investissement, meis également la marque d'un appui très encourageant aux efforts que la Banque Mondiale déploie en vue du développement économique de ses pays membres. Veuilles agréer, Monsieur le Directeur Général, les assurances de ma haute considération. (Signed) Robert S. McNamara Nobert S. McHamara Monsieur M. Julienne Directeur Général Banque Centrale des Etats de l'Afrique de l'Ouest 29, rue Colisée Paris, 8ème France Acolliouram cc: Sir Denis Rickett M. Rotberg M. Christoffersen M. Kochman M. de Lesseps (Buropean Office) PMMA

Unofficial Translation

Beer Sirs

I was most pleased to learn from your cable of August 27 that you have subscribed \$2.1 million to the World Bank's latest issue of two-year bonds.

I welcome your action not only as an expression of your confidence in our bonds as an investment instrument but as a very valuable support for the World Bank in its efforts to promote the communic development of masher countries.

Sincerely yours,

Robert S. McMessra

Honsieur R. Julienne Directeur Général Banque Centrale des Etats de l'Afrique de l'Ouest 29, rue Colisée Paris, Sème France

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det Sir Denis Rickett Hr. Rotberg Mr. Christoffersen Mr. Koekman Hr. de Lesseps (Suropean Office) Fiblia le 16 septembre 1970 488/5/116

Monsieur le Ministre,

C'est avec une grande satisfaction que j'ai pris connaissance du télégramme du 27 août dernier nous informant que la Caisse Autonome d'Amortissement de la Côte d'Ivoire avait décidé de souscrire à la dernière émission d'obligations à deux ans de la Banque Mondiale pour un montant de sept cent mille dollars.

Je me plais à voir dans votre décision non seulement le témoignage de la confiance que votre Gouvernement continue d'accorder à nos obligations en tant qu'instrument d'investissement, mais également la marque d'un appui très encourageant aux efforts que la Banque Mondiale déploie en vue du développement économique de ses pays membres.

Veuilles agréer, Monsieur le Ministre, les assurances de ma haute considération.

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara

Robert S. McNamara

Son Excellence Monsieur Konan Bédié Ministre des Affaires Economiques et Financières Abidjan, Côte d'Ivoire

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cc: Sir Denis Rickett M. Rotberg M. Christoffersen M. Kochman BCEAO M. de Lesseps PMWA

UNOFFICIAL TRANSLATION

His Excellency:

I was most pleased to learn from a cable of August 27 that the Caisse Autonome d'Amortissement has subscribed \$0.7 million to the World Bank's latest issue of two-year bonds.

I welcome your action, not only as an expression of your confidence in our bonds as an investment instrument, but as a very valuable support for the World Bank in its efforts to promote the economic development of member countries.

Sincerely,

Robert S. McHamara

Son Excellence Monsieur Konan Bédié Ministre des Affaires Economiques et Financières Abidjan, Côte d'Ivoire Acolliou:jfc

cc: Sir Denis Rickett
Mr. Rotberg
Mr. Christoffersen
Mr. Kochman
EWEAO
Mr. de Lesseps
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INTERNATIONAL BANK FOR RECONSTRUCTION AND DEVELOPMENT

INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION INTERNATIONAL FINANCE CORPORATION

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

September 16

Mr. 6.:

The Ambassador of Gabon called today to ask about the status of the President's request to see Mr. McNamara. I told him Mr. McNamara responded by letter today, indicating he would be out of the country Oct. 12-19, which is the period President Bongo had expected to be here. The Ambassador asked if an appointment the following week might be arranged. I told his secretary I was certain this could be done. We discussed the possibility of Oct. 21 or 22. The Ambassador will be in touch with us later.

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(The attached is Muriel's file copy.)

498/5/115 SEP 1 6 1970 Son Excellence Monsieur Albert Bernard Bongo Président de la République Libreville Gabon Monsieur le Président, Je vous remercie sincèrement pour votre lettre du 20 août 1970, dans laquelle vous rendez homage à l'action positive du Groupe de la Banque Mondiale dans la lutte contre le sous-développement et à l'intensification des rapports entre le Groupe et votre pays. Je suis, en outre, très sensible aux compliments que vous me témoignes et me sens très honoré par l'invitation que vous me faites à me rendre en visite officielle au Cabon au courant du mois de janvier 1971. J'accepte volontiers le principe de votre invitation, et l'idée d'en préciser la date et les modalités par l'intermédiaire de votre Administrateur auprès du Groupe de la Banque, M. Mohamed Massim Kochman. Comme vous, Monsieur le Président, je me réjouis de l'instauration, entre votre Couvernement et notre organisation, d'une cospération confiante et efficace. Ces relations fructueuses sont appelées à s'intensifier dans l'avenir grâce notasment, à notre préogcupation commune de promouvoir le développement économique et social du Caben qui, sous votre égide, a vu la réalisation d'entreprises économiques importantes. A est égard, je comprends tout à fait votre souci et celui de votre Gouvernament de voir se concrétiser rapidement le projet du Chemin de Fer Owendo-Belinga. Je prête personnellement une attention particulière à l'évolution de ce projet. M. Roger Chaufournier, Directeur du Département Afrique de l'Ouest, vous a d'ailleurs fait connaître par une lettre du 14 août 1970, les conclusions principales auxquelles est parvenue la mission de préparation que nous avens envoyée sur place au mois de juin de cette année.

Par votre lettre du 28 août 1970, vous avez bien voulu m'informer de votre intention de visiter les Etats-Unis et le Canada au mois d'octobre prochain et vous avez exprimé le désir de me rencontrer à cette occasion pour que nous puissions examiner ensemble les différents aspects de notre coopération. Je serais très honoré d'une telle rencontre. Je dois cependant m'absenter de Washington du 12 au 19 octobre et vous prie de bien vouloir préciser la date à laquelle vous souhaiteriez que cette rencontre ait lieu, compte tenu de mon absence.

Veuillez agréer, Monsieur le Président, l'expression de ma très haute considération.

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara

Robert S. McMamara

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cc: Messrs. Chaufournier Christoffersen Kochman Embassy of Gabon. Dear Mr. President,

I thank you very much for your letter of August 20, 1970, in which you commended the positive actions of the World Bank Group in the struggle against underdevelopment and the ever-improving relations between the Bank Group and your country. I am touched by your compliments and I am very honored by your invitation to pay an official visit to Gabon during the month of January 1971. I accept with pleasure the principle of your invitation and the idea to have the date determined and the arrangements made through your Executive Director in the Bank Group, Mr. Mohamed Nassim Kochman.

I am pleased, as you are, Mr. President, with the establishment of a confident and efficacious cooperation between your government and our organization. This fruitful relationship will be further strengthened in the future, thanks in particular to our common concern for promoting the economic and social development of Gabon which, under your leadership, has seen the implementation of significant economic ventures.

In this connection, I fully appreciate your concern and that of your government to ensure that the Owendo-Belinga railway project materializes rapidly. I am personally paying particular attention to the evolution of this project. Mr. Roger Chaufournier, Director of the Western Africa Department, informed you in a letter dated August 11, 1970, of the main findings of the preparation mission which we sent to your country in June of this year.

In your letter of August 28, 1970, you kindly informed me of your plans to visit the United States and Canada in October and you expressed the wish to meet with me on this occasion so that we may discuss together the various aspects of our cooperation. I will, however, have to be away from Washington from October 12 to October 19, and would appreciate it if you would let me know of the date most convenient for you, taking into account my absence.

Sincerely,

Robert S. McNamara

His Excellency Albert Bernard Bongo President of the Republic Libreville, Gabon

cc: Messrs. Chaufournier Christoffersen Kochman Embassy of Gabon

488/5/114 FOR MR. McNAMARA'S OFFICE SEP 1 6 1970 Dear Ed: Many thanks for your letter of September 10 reminding me of Mr. Jacob Nda's continued interest in the Young Professionals Program. I have asked about the circusstances and learn that the Personnel Officer responsible for this Program, due to an oversight, had not gotten in contact with Mr. Mda as promised. He will both telephone and write Mr. Nda today to invite him to enter the Program's forthcoming February selection. Arrangements will be made for him to visit Washington in the immediate future. I am sorry that Mr. Mda was not properly interviewed when he visited us in July, especially since you recommend him so highly. You may be sure that we will give him every consideration. Sincerely, (Signed) Robert S. McNamara Robert S. McHamara Mr. Edmond F. Wright Chairman of the Board Selected Executives, Inc. 920 Park Square Building Boston, Massachusetts 02116 FAguirre-Sacasa: JETwining: dp September 15, 1970

481/5/113 SEP 1 6 1970 Monsieur le Président, J'ai l'honneur de vous remercier sincérement pour votre lettre du 27 août 1970, par laquelle vous me conviez à visiter le Cemeroun. J'accepte velentiers le principe de votre invitation pour le mois de janvier prochain. Nous en définirons les modalités avec le concours de ves représentants à Mashington. Commo vous, Monsieur le Président, je suis convaince que cette visite sera pour nous l'occasion d'avoir des échanges de vues fructueux sur l'ensemble des aspects de la coopération confiante et toujours croissante qui s'est instaurée entre votre pays et le Groupe de la Banque Mondiale. Veuilles agréer, Mongieur le Président, l'expression do ma très haute considération. (Signed) Robert S. McNamara Robert S. Hollemara Son Excellence Monsieur El Hadj Ahmadou Ahidjo Président de la République Ysounds République Pédérale du Comeroun AElMacroufi/EMerghoub: mrg cl. and cc: Mr. Chanfournier co: Mr. Christoffersen Mr. Kochman Embassy of Cameroun

UNOFFICIAL TRANSLATION

Dear Mr. President,

I thank you very much for your letter of August 27, 1970, in which you extended to me an invitation to visit Cameroon.

I accept with pleasure the principle of your invitation for the month of January 1971. We can finalize the arrangements with the assistance of your representatives in Washington.

I am convinced, as you are, Mr. President, that this visit will provide us with the opportunity to have a fruitful exchange of views on all aspects of the frank and ever-increasing cooperation which exists between your country and the World Bank Group.

Sincerely,

Robert S. McNamara

His Excellency El Hadj Ahmadou Ahidjo President of the Republic Yaounde Federal Republic of Comeron

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cl. and cc: Mr. Chaufournier

Mr. Christoffersen

Mr. Kochman

Embassy of Cameroon

FORM No. 57

INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT | INTERNATIONAL BANK FOR ASSOCIATION | RECONSTRUCTION AND DEVELOPMENT |

NTERNATIONAL FINANCE

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

TO:

Mr. Abderrahman Tazi

DATE: September 15, 1970.

FROM:

Robert S. McNamara

SUBJECT:

MOROCCO - Urbanization

In response to your memorandum of September 8, I am pleased to learn of the Moroccan Government's interest in having the Bank send a mission to Morocco to assist in examining the basic issues of urbanization. I am prepared to explore whether and by what means the Bank could best contribute to the Government's efforts in this field. As a first step I would suggest that we be informed of the main objectives of the Government's plans and policies regarding urbanization and of the related studies undertaken so far; it would be useful to receive copies of those of the studies which have been Once we have this information we would be in a position to consider the specific steps which we could take to assist the Government.

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M. YVES LE PORTZ PRESIDENT BANQUE EUROPERNNE D'INVESTISSEMENT

September 15, 1970

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HAPPY TO HEAR NEWS OF YOUR APPOINTMENT AS PRESIDENT EUROPEAN INVESTMENT
BANK STOP PLEASE ACCEPT MOST SINCERE CONGRATULATIONS AND BEST WISHES STOP
SINCE YOU WILL BE IN COPENHAGEN I LOOK FORWARD TO MEETING YOU THERE STOP
PLEASE LET ME KNOW WHETHER SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 19 AT 16H APPRINCER
WOULD BE CONVENIENT REGARDS

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara

Robert S. McNamara

cc: Mr. Hilken (Secretary's)

Office of the President

JHLenfant/MJPaijmans:pmc September 14, 1970

488 5 110 SEP 14 1970 Sub-Director General Mr. Ernesto Fernandes Hurtado Banco de Mexico, S.A. Messico, D.F. Bear Mr. Fernandes Hurtado: I was happy to hear of Mexico's continuing close cooperation with the World Bank in subscribing \$10 million to our latest issue of two-year bonds. I welcome your action not only as an expression of your confidence in our bonds as an investment instrument but as a very valuable support for the World Bank in its efforts to promote the economic development of member countries. I also wish to again express our sympathy at the loss of Don Rodrigo Gomes. Hy colleagues and I look forward to continuing to work closely with you and other Mexican officials toward the developmental objectives to which he had devoted his life. With best personal regards, Sincerely, (Signed) Robert S. McNamara Robert S. McMamara cc: Mr. Machado, Executive Director Mr. Rotherg Mr. Gutierrez RNelson/eg September 11, 1970 Central America & Caribbean

MRS. SAMUEL LIPKOWITZ
2939 VAN NESS STREET, N.W.
WASHINGTON, D.C.

SEPTEMBER 12, 1970 FULL RATE

DEEPLY SADDENED TO LEARN ABOUT SAM'S SUDDEN PASSING. HIS DEDICATION TO WORLD DEVELOPMENT HAS BEEN, AND WILL CONTINUE TO BE, AN INSPIRATION TO IN ALL OF US. MRS. MCNAMARA AND I JOIN HIS HOST OF FRIENDS RE THE WORLD BANK GROUP IN EXTENDING OUR HEARTFELT SYMPATHY TO YOU AND YOUR FAMILY.

ROBERT S. MCNAMARA

L.E. Christoffersen
President's Office

GENERAL NETR KHEMAYODHIN SEPTEMBER #, 1970 SEAMES BANCKOK LT THAILAND REURLET SEPTEMBER ONE UNFORTUNATELY MUST LEAVE WASHINGTON BEFORE COPENHAGEN SEPTEMBER EIGHTEEN AS BANK ANNUAL MEETING IN XXXXXXXXX SCHEDULED FOR ESTIRE FOLLOWING WEEK STOP REGRET THEREFORE EYE CANNOT MEET YOU BUT HAVE ARRANGED FOR MR BALLANTINE COMMA DIRECTOR COMMA EDUCATION PROJECTS DEPARTMENT AND MR FONTEIN COMMA DEPUTY DIRECTOR COMMA EAST ASIA AND PACIFIC DEPARTMENT TO MEET YOU ELEVEN MORNING EIGHTEENTH TO DISCUSS SEAMES PLANS AND PROGRAMS REGARDS MCNAHARA cc: Messrs. Ballantine Robert S. McMamara Fontein GMStreet:ff

488/5/103 SEP 9 1970 Dear Mr. Minister: I was pleased to read in your letter of August 21 that your Government has found the Bank's recent report on the economy of Zambia to be helpful and that in particular you endorse the view that in rural development one of the most promising methods is regional integrated development. You have asked the Bank to assist in surveying some promising areas for establishing a program of integrated development. We shall be happy to help Zambia within our ability to do so and I am asking Mr. Lejeune, Director of our Eastern Africa Department, to discuss with you in detail what would be involved during the forthcoming Annual Meeting in Copenhagen. Sincerely. (Signed) Robert S. McNamara Robert S. McNamara The Honorable E.H.K. Mudenda Minister of Development and Finance Ministry of Finance P.O. Box RW. 62 Ridgeway, Lusaka Zambia cc: Mr. C. Kahangi Mr. Rowe GFulcheri/J.H.Williams:neb September 8, 1970

488/5/102 SEP 9 1970 Dear Mr. Mahou: The Governors of the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development and the International Development Association have now approved the "Supplement to Memorandum of Understanding with Respect to Working Arrangements Between the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization and the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development and the International Development Association". I am pleased therefore to send you the attached signed copy of this Supplement. Sincerely, (Signed) Robert S. McNamara Robert S. McMamara Mr. Rene Maheu Director-General United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization Place de Fontenoy Paris 7e, France Attachment Cleared with: Hessrs, Demuth and Fowler DSBallantine;mc

498/5/101 September 8, 1970

Federal Reserve Bank of New York 33 Liberty Street New York, New York 10045

Gentlemen:

Pursuant to paragraph 3 of the Fiscal Agency Agreement between the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development and the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, you are hereby authorized and instructed to authenticate and to deliver on or after September 15, 1970 to a representative of each of the purchasers set forth in Schedule A hereto the respective principal amount of Two Year Bonds of 1970, due September 15, 1972 of the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development, set forth in said Schedule with respect to such purchaser. Each such delivery is to be made upon receipt by you of 5.80% Bonds of 1968, due September 15, 1970, of the Bank or of Federal Reserve Bank of New York funds for our account of an amount equal to the principal amount of Bonds allotted to each such purchaser as set forth in said Schedule plus, in the event all or a portion is to be paid in Federal Reserve Bank of New York funds, accrued interest on such portion at 7-7/8% per annum from September 15, 1970 to the date of delivery of the Bonds in each instance.

Authorized denominations and numbering of such Bonds are as follows: registered bonds without coupons in denominations of \$1,000 and any multiple thereof, to be numbered SSRB 1 and upwards; and \$1,000, \$10,000 and \$100,000 denomination coupon Bonds to be numbered, respectively, SSM 1, SSX 1 and SSC 1, and upwards.

Sincerely,

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara

Robert S. McNamara President

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MR. LUDWIG POULLAIN SEPTEMBER 8, 1970 WESTDEUTSCHE LANDESBANK GIROZENTRALE 100 WALL STREET NIGHT LETTER SIXTH FLOOR NEW YORK, N. Y. DEEPLY REGRET THAT DUE TO UNFORSEEN AND URGENT BUSINESS MATTERS EYE WILL NOT BE ABLE TO ATTEND YOUR DINNER WEDNESDAY EVENING STOP PLEASE ACCEPT MY SINCERE APOLOGIES FOR THIS LATE NOTICE OF REGRET STOP EVEN THOUGH I CANNOT BE WITH YOU I WISH TO SEND YOU AND YOUR COLLEAGUES MY PERSONAL CONGRATULATIONS ON THE OPENING OF YOUR NEW YORK OFFICE COMMA WITH WHICH WE IN THE WORLD BANK GROUP LOOK FORWARD TO A CLOSE WORKING RELATIONSHIP IN THE YEARS TO COME STOP ROBERT S. MCNAMARA Robert S. McNamara President LEC:mss

SEP 3 REC'D Dear Mr. Boerma: Thank you for your letter of August 25, 1970, informing me of your intentions with respect to the appointment of a successor to Mr. I. H. Ergas as Director of the Investment Centre and of the FAO/IBRD Cooperative Program. We also regret Mr. Ergas departure, and attach great importance to the future direction of the Cooperative Program. I am happy to say that your appointment of Mr. J. P. Huyser to this position would be entirely agreeable to me. Sincerely, (Signey) Hobert S. morramara Robert S. McNamara Mr. A. H. Boerma Director-General Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations Via delle Terme di Caracalla 00100 - Rome Italy cc: Office of the President (2) Typed on September 2, 1970 MLHoffman: mcj

488/5/97 September 3, 1970 Dear Dr. Berelson: I am most grateful for the time you took to review and correct the draft of my speech. Many thanks. Enclosed is the check which we promised. I am sorry we have taken so long to transmit it to you. With best wishes. Sincerely, 15/ Sal McNamara Robert S. McNamara Dr. Bernard Berelson President The Population Council 245 Park Avenue New York, N. Y. 10017 Enclosure RMcN:mss

488/5/96 September 2, 1970 Dear Dr. Singer: Enclosed is the preface for the book Is There an Optimum Level of Population? I would hope that the volume is given the serious readership it deserves. My congratulations to you and to the Population Council for undertaking the project. Sincerely, Robert S. McNamara Dr. S. Fred Singer Deputy Assistant Secretary Department of the Interior Washington, D. C. 20240

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September 1, 1970

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Mr. Elihu Bergman Research Associate Carolina Population Center University Square Chapel Hill, North Carolina 27514

Dear Mr. Bergman:

Mr. McNamara has asked me to let you know he received your recent letter requesting an appointment. He would like to help with what he knows will be a useful study but feels that it would not be worth your time to talk with him. since he does not consider himself qualified to discuss U.S. population problems.

Sincerely,

(Miss) Polly Yates Secretary to Mr. McNamara

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It is my great pleasure to send you sincere compliments on your election as President African Development Bank stop we regard this election as recognition of your achievements as interim president and we wish you every success in your future task stop we look forward to continuation of excellent relations and spirit of cooperation prevailing between ADB and World Bank stop regards

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