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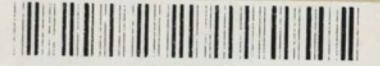
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February 17, 1977

Dear Sirs:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter of February 2, which only arrived yesterday, suggesting a visit to Washington from March 7 to March 9 by Messrs. Werner Blessing and Martin Murtfeld of your Central International Department.

We would indeed be very happy to receive these gentlemen to exchange views regarding your operations in various developing countries and in particular regarding the opportunities for co-financing of projects with the World Bank. I have asked Mr. J. Burke Knapp, our Senior Vice President for Operations, to make arrangements for this visit. It would be helpful if you would send to Mr. Knapp as soon as possible the appendix regarding the countries in which you are particularly interested, which was not included with your letter.

Sincerely,

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara

Robert S. McNamara

Mr. Wilfried Guth
Mr. Hans-Otto Thierbach
Deutsche Bank A.G.
10-14 Grosse Gallus Strasse
Frankfurt (Main)
Federal Republic of Germany

cc: Messrs. Janssen
Cargill
Rotberg
Hornstein

JBKnapp:isk

493/3/69

February 14, 1977

Dear Harry:

I believe I can set your mind at rest with respect to my conversation with Marvin Bower. Although I recall few of the details of our discussion, I am certain I made no reference to the "will to manage".

As for the cost effectiveness of management institutes and training, I share your conclusion that there is no alternative to them. I did question, however, whether the World Bank should participate in their financing.

When you and Carolyn next come to Washington, do plan to stay with us. We would love to catch up on the Hansens as we did with the Glovers a week or two ago.

With best wishes to you both,

Sincerely,

Robert S. McNamara

Professor Harry L. Hansen
Graduate School of
Business Administration
Harvard University
Boston, Massachusetts 02163

RMcN:bnm

493/3/67

February 11, 1977

Dear Henry:

I have arranged for a Special Guest invitation to be sent to Mr. Edgar D. de Picciotto, Managing Director of Compagnie de Banque et d'Investissements in Geneva to attend the 1977 Annual Meetings of the World Bank and the International Monetary Fund.

Marg and I are sorry that the Catto's will not be with us in Aspen next week, but we hope to see you soon.

Best wishes,

Bob

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara

Robert S. McNamara

The Honorable
Henry E. Catto, Jr.
The Representative of the
United States of America
to the European Office of
the United Nations
Geneva, Switzerland

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February 11, 1977

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HIS EXCELLENCY
HELMUT SCHMIDT
CHANCELLOR OF THE FEDERAL
REPUBLIC OF GERMANY

FEBRUARY 7, 1977

TELEX (Ext. 2001)

BONN
GERMANY

THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR THE KIND LETTER AND THE WELCOME NEWS REGARDING
YOUR GOVERNMENT'S SUPPORT OF THE REPLENISHMENT OF IDA WHICH YOU SENT WITH
FRAU SCHLEI. IT WAS A PLEASURE TO RECEIVE IT AND IT SERVED AS A PERFECT
INTRODUCTION TO FRAU SCHLEI WITH WHOM I HAD MOST USEFUL AND CONSTRUCTIVE
TALKS. WITH BEST WISHES

BOB MCNAMARA
INTBAFRAD

Robert S. McNamara

President

Robert S. McNamara per B. Moore

cc: Mr. Janssen - Executive Director
Mr. Wa. Clark - Vice President,
External Relations
Mr. Cargill - Vice President,
Finance

RMcN:bam

493/3/63

FEB 4 1977

Dear Mr. Secretary:

The International Bank for Reconstruction and Development proposes to borrow forty million dollars (\$40,000,000) from the Saudi Arabian Monetary Agency.

The Government of the United States of America is hereby requested, in accordance with Section 1(b) of Article IV of the Bank's Articles of Agreement, to approve the proposed borrowing by the Bank and to agree that the proceeds of such borrowing may be exchanged for the currency of any other member of the Bank without restriction.

Sincerely,

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara

Robert S. McNamara

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

cc: Mr. Hal F. Reynolds, Alternate Executive Director

Mr. Robert S. Watson, U.S. Treasury

Mr. Bernard R. Zinman, U.S. Treasury

Cleared with and cc: Mr. Heininger, Legal Department *ph*

cc: Mr. McNamara (2)

Mr. Cargill

Mr. Rotberg

Mr. Hittmair

Mr. Gabriel

Mr. Deely/US\$ Bonds

HMoya/REDeely:br
February 1, 1977

493/3/62

Office of the President

FEB 4 1977

Dear Mr. Secretary:

The International Bank for Reconstruction and Development proposes to borrow an aggregate principal amount, not exceeding \$300,000,000, in markets outside the United States of America through an issue of Two Year Bonds of the Bank. The bonds are to be dated March 15, 1977 and to mature March 15, 1979. The interest rate of the bonds has not yet been determined.

The Government of the United States of America is hereby requested, in accordance with Section 1(b) of Article IV of the Bank's Articles of Agreement, to approve the borrowing by the Bank in markets outside the United States of America of such amounts as may be raised by the issue of not exceeding \$300,000,000 aggregate principal amount of bonds. The Government of the United States of America is further requested to agree, pursuant to the same provisions of the Articles of Agreement, that the proceeds of such borrowing may be exchanged for the currency of any member of the Bank without restriction.

Sincerely,

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara

Robert S. McNamara

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

cc: Mr. Hal F. Reynolds, Alternate Executive Director
Mr. Robert S. Watson, U.S. Treasury
Mr. Bernard Zinman, U.S. Treasury

Cleared with and cc: Mr. David Mead, Legal Department
For Mr. McNamara's office (2)
Messrs. Eugene H. Rotberg, Treasurer
Victor C. Chang, Acting Controller
Deely/U.S.\$ Bonds #116

JRadifera/fad
February 3, 1977

493/3/61

FEB 3 1977

Dear Mr. Minister:

I was pleased to have confirmation in your letter of January 25 that the French Parliament has approved the contribution by France of 100 million francs to the Interest Subsidy Fund of the Bank's Third Window. This contribution, which has now been received, will permit us to extend significantly the amount of loans which we can make to developing countries through this facility.

With my best thanks to you and your Government for this generous assistance, I am

Sincerely,

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara

Robert S. McNamara

M. Michel Durafour
Minister Delegate to the
Minister for Economy and Finance
Ministry of Economy and Finance
Paris
France

cc: Mrs. McNamara's office (2)
Mr. Jacques Henri Wahl

RJGoodman/msg

February 2, 1977

493/3/60

FEB 3 1977

Dear Sir:

I am writing to thank you for your letter dated January 7, 1977 requesting the World Bank's assistance to help the Lake Chad Basin Commission study and implement an integrated Rural Development Scheme. I have asked Mr. Roger Chaufourier, who is the Vice President in charge of our operations in West and Central Africa, to give full consideration to your request and he and his associates will soon contact you in this respect.

Sincerely,
(Signed) Robert S. McNamara

Robert S. McNamara

Chief F.O. Olufolabi
Executive Secretary of
Lake Chad Basin Commission
P.O.B. 727
N'Djamena
Chad.

Cleared with and cc: Mr. Roger Chaufourier

cc: Mr. Xavier de la Renaudière

MDia/it
February 2, 1977

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

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DAVID HOPPER
PRESIDENT
INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT RESEARCH CENTER
60 QUEEN STREET
OTTAWA, ONTARIO, CANADA

FEBRUARY 2, 1977

TELEX - 053-3753

I HAVE TODAY SENT THE FOLLOWING CABLE TO HERR BRANDT QUOTE I WAS DELIGHTED TO RECEIVE BY THE HAND OF WILLIAM CLARK YOUR LETTER OF JANUARY 28, AND HIS ACCOUNT OF HIS CONVERSATION WITH YOU CONFIRMING THAT YOU ARE PREPARED TO UNDERTAKE THE TASK OF HEADING A COMMISSION TO INQUIRE INTO THE PROBLEMS OF DEVELOPMENT STOP I KNOW OF NO ONE WHO WOULD COMMAND THE CONFIDENCE YOU DO AMONG DEVELOPED AND DEVELOPING COUNTRIES ALIKE AND I BELIEVE THIS COULD PROVE TO BE AN IMPORTANT LANDMARK IN THE DRAWING TOGETHER OF TWO PARTS OF THE WORLD THAT ARE TODAY SEPARATED BY A WIDENING GAP STOP I AM ALSO AWARE OF THE TREMENDOUS DIFFICULTIES THAT ARE ENTAILED IN THIS TASK AND I WOULD LIKE TO ASSURE YOU THAT ALL POSSIBLE ASSISTANCE WILL BE PROVIDED TO YOU IN THE SETTING UP OF THE COMMISSION STOP I LOOK FORWARD TO MEETING AGAIN EGON BAHR WHEN HE IS IN WASHINGTON TO DISCUSS HOW THIS CAN BEST BE DONE STOP FINALLY I HOPE YOU AND I CAN MEET IN MARCH TO FURTHER DISCUSS THE ARRANGEMENTS STOP I AM SURE IT WILL BE NECESSARY TO START RECRUITING BOTH STAFF AND COMMISSIONERS VERY SOON IF THE WORK OF THE COMMISSION IS TO BEGIN IN JUNE UNQUOTE

Robert S. McNamara
President

RMcN:mss

493/3/58

JOHANNES P. PRONK
MINISTER FOR DEVELOPMENT COOPERATION

FEBRUARY 2, 1977

MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS

TELEX (Ext. 2001)

THE HAGUE
THE NETHERLANDS

WILLIAM CLARK REPORTED TO ME TODAY ON HIS CONVERSATIONS WITH YOU AND WITH HERR BRANDT.

BASED ON THIS REPORT I HAVE SENT THE FOLLOWING CABLE TO BRANDT QUOTE
DEAR MR. BRANDT: I WAS DELIGHTED TO RECEIVE BY THE HAND OF WILLIAM CLARK YOUR LETTER OF JANUARY TWENTYEIGHT, AND HIS ACCOUNT OF HIS CONVERSATION WITH YOU ^{CONFIRMING} ~~HEADING~~ THAT YOU ARE PREPARED TO UNDERTAKE THE/TASK OF HEADING A COMMISSION TO INQUIRE INTO THE PROBLEMS OF DEVELOPMENT. I KNOW OF NO ONE WHO WOULD COMMAND THE CONFIDENCE YOU DO AMONG DEVELOPED AND DEVELOPING COUNTRIES ALIKE, AND I BELIEVE THIS COULD PROVE TO BE AN IMPORTANT LANDMARK IN THE DRAWING TOGETHER OF TWO PARTS OF THE WORLD THAT ARE TODAY SEPARATED BY A WIDENING GAP.

I AM ALSO AWARE OF THE TREMENDOUS DIFFICULTIES THAT ARE ENTAILED IN THIS TASK AND I WOULD LIKE TO ASSURE YOU THAT ALL POSSIBLE ASSISTANCE WILL BE PROVIDED TO YOU IN THE SETTING UP OF THE COMMISSION. I LOOK FORWARD TO MEETING AGAIN EGON BARR WHEN HE IS IN WASHINGTON TO DISCUSS HOW THIS CAN BEST BE DONE.

FINALLY, I HOPE YOU AND I CAN MEET IN MARCH TO FURTHER DISCUSS THE ARRANGEMENTS. I AM SURE IT WILL BE NECESSARY TO START RECRUITING BOTH STAFF

Robert S. McNamara
President

cc: William Clark-Vice President,
External Relations

WDClark:RSMcNamara:bmm

JOHANNES P. PRONK

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FEBRUARY 2, 1977

AND COMMISSIONERS VERY SOON IF THE WORK OF THE COMMISSION IS TO BEGIN IN JUNE. SIGNED MCNAMARA END QUOTE.

I AM MOST GRATEFUL FOR YOUR ACCEPTANCE OF THE IDEA THAT THE BRANDT COMMISSION SHOULD BE WHOLLY INDEPENDENT EVEN OF ITS FINANCIAL SPONSORS. IN THAT CONNECTION, I HOPE THAT AT YOUR MEETING WITH THE LIKE-MINDED GROUP ON FEBRUARY SEVEN YOU CAN BRING SOME OF THEM IN ON THE FINANCING. AS YOU SAID TO WILLIAM, THE SUMS INVOLVED ARE NOT SIGNIFICANT BUT I HOPE THE COMMISSION CAN BE LAUNCHED WITH GUARANTEED FUNDS PROVIDED BY AS BROAD AS POSSIBLE A SPECTRUM OF GOVERNMENTS AND INSTITUTIONS.

THANK YOU AGAIN FOR ALL YOUR INITIATIVE AND SUPPORT IN WHAT I BELIEVE COULD BECOME AN IMPORTANT TURNING POINT IN RELATIONS BETWEEN THE RICH AND THE POOR WORLDS.

ROBERT S. MCNAMARA

493/3/57

WILLY BRANDT
PRESIDENT, SPD

FEBRUARY 2, 1977

OLLENHAUERSTRASSE 1
5300 BONN
GERMANY

TELEX (R x. 2001)

I HAVE TODAY MAILED THE FOLLOWING LETTER TO YOU.

QUOTE. I WAS DELIGHTED TO RECEIVE BY THE HAND OF WILLIAM CLARK YOUR LETTER OF JANUARY TWENTYEIGHT, AND HIS ACCOUNT OF HIS CONVERSATION WITH YOU CONFIRMING THAT YOU ARE PREPARED TO UNDERTAKE THE TASK OF HEADING A COMMISSION TO INQUIRE INTO THE PROBLEMS OF DEVELOPMENT. I KNOW OF NO ONE WHO WOULD COMMAND THE CONFIDENCE YOU DO AMONG DEVELOPED AND DEVELOPING COUNTRIES ALIKE, AND I BELIEVE THIS COULD PROVE TO BE AN IMPORTANT LANDMARK IN THE DRAWING TOGETHER OF TWO PARTS OF THE WORLD THAT ARE TODAY SEPARATED BY A WIDENING GAP.

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FINALLY, I HOPE YOU AND I CAN MEET IN MARCH TO DISCUSS FURTHER THE ARRANGEMENTS. I AM SURE IT WILL BE NECESSARY TO START RECRUITING BOTH STAFF AND COMMISSIONERS VERY SOON IF THE WORK OF THE COMMISSION IS TO BEGIN IN JUNE. WITH BEST WISHES, SIGNED MCNAMARA END QUOTE

Robert S. McNamara
President

cc: William Clark-Vice President,
External Relations

WDClark:RSMcNamara:bmm

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CLAUDE CHEYSSON

FEBRUARY 2, 1977

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TELEX (Ext. 2001)

BRUSSELS

BELGIUM

FIRST LET ME THANK YOU FOR YOUR VERY KIND CABLE ABOUT MY BOSTON SPEECH. I COUNT ON YOUR PERSONAL SUPPORT AND WISE ADVICE.

AS I HOPE YOU HAVE LEARNED FROM CONVERSATIONS WITH CARRIERE AND CLARK, IN THE LAST FEW DAYS, IT APPEARS PROBABLE THAT, IN THE LIGHT OF BRANDT'S ACCEPTANCE OF ROLE OF CHAIRMAN, THE COMMISSION CAN BE SET UP. IN THAT EVENT, I HOPE I MAY CONSULT YOU ON NAMES FOR THE COMMISSION AND ITS STAFF.

YOUR SUGGESTION THAT THE EUROPEANS SHOULD BE IN A POSITION TO HELP FINANCIALLY WAS MOST WELCOME. PRELIMINARY ESTIMATES INDICATE THE TOTAL SUM INVOLVED MIGHT APPROXIMATE \$2 - 2.5 MILLION, PLUS A CONTINGENCY ALLOWANCE. WHEN THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE COMMISSION IS ANNOUNCED, THE ANNOUNCEMENT WOULD REFER TO ITS FINANCIAL SPONSORS AS FOLLOWS QUOTE THE COSTS OF THE COMMISSION HAVE BEEN GUARANTEED BY A CONSORTIUM OF THE FOLLOWING GOVERNMENTS AND INSTITUTIONS UNQUOTE. WOULD IT BE POSSIBLE FOR YOUR INSTITUTION TO BE ASSOCIATED WITH THIS FUND, AND TO BE LISTED IN THE ANNOUNCEMENT, BY PLEDGING A PORTION OF THE TOTAL COST?

PLEASE DO NOT HESITATE TO TELEPHONE OR TELEX ME IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS OR SUGGESTIONS.

MCNAMARA

Robert S. McNamara

President

cc: William Clark-Vice President,
External Relations

WDClark:RSMcNamara:bam

493/3/55

February 2, 1977

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. CHENERY

In your memorandum dated February 1, subject: "Debt Data Coverage", you report the progress being made in extending the Bank's Debt Reporting System to cover "private" as well as "public" debt incurred by the developing countries. It is essential that coverage of the "private" debt be achieved as rapidly as possible. Please keep me informed of your progress and make certain that Mr. Cargill and his Programming and Budgeting Department are involved in the design of the System.

If operation of the new System will involve additional administrative costs, please process a "budget change" through the Programming and Budgeting Department before the System is installed.

RMcN

Robert S. McNamara

cc: Mr. Cargill
Mr. Gabriel
Mr. Wood

RMcN:bmm

493/3/52

February 1, 1977

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. CLARK

Although it appears probable that the "Brandt Commission" can be organized, much remains to be done to achieve that objective. Can you give the Commission first claim on your time until it is established?

Within the next few weeks I hope it will be possible to: formalize the arrangements relating to the financing of the Commission's work (including the possible participation of the World Bank in such financing); formally announce the appointment of the Chairman; select the members; and appoint the staff director.

Please let me know how you suggest we take these next steps.

Robert S. McNamara

RMcN:mss

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JAN 31 1977

Dear Dr. Barletta:

Thank you for your letter of January 18, 1977. I am delighted to hear that notable progress is being made on the establishment of the Latin American export financing bank and that a meeting of international bankers will be convened in Panama City in late April.

Our Personnel Department has indeed received your curriculum vitae, and Mr. Clarke is looking at various possibilities within the Bank. He will certainly get in touch with you in the near future.

With best regards,

Sincerely,

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara
Robert S. McNamara

The Honorable
Dr. Nicolas Ardito-Barletta
Minister of Planning and Economic Policy
Panama City
Panama

cc: for Mr. McNamara's office (2)
Ms. M. Esbry (Log # 28055)

Cleared with Mr. Eugenio Lari (January 27, 1977)

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493/3/50

JAN 31 1977

His Majesty
King Khaled ibn Abdel Aziz
Royal Palace
Riyadh, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia

Your Majesty,

Your Majesty would recall my visit to the Kingdom and my meeting with your Majesty in May 1976.

One of the main purposes of my visit, which I had the opportunity to discuss with you, was the question of Saudi Arabia's contribution to the Fifth Replenishment of the International Development Association (IDA), an affiliate of the World Bank.

Your Majesty please find attached herewith an Aide-Memoire in Arabic and English on IDA and Saudi Arabia's contribution to the Fifth Replenishment. In summary, IDA was established back in 1960 to extend productive economic development loans to the poorest of the developing countries (those with per capita income of \$200 a year or less) on lenient terms: (a) a long period for repayment of 50 years and (b) no interest. These countries, which are in dire need of economic development funds, cannot afford to borrow these funds on conventional terms from the World Bank or other sources and pay the market place interests.

At the time of its establishment in 1960, IDA's initial subscriptions amounted to one billion dollars. Since then it has been replenished four times. The fourth replenishment, which was concluded in 1973, amounted to \$4.5 billion. The total IDA resources since its establishment amounts to \$11.7 billion. Out of this amount, IDA credits to Arab countries, members of the Arab League, reached about \$1.1 billion, or about 10%, and its credits to Moslem countries reached about \$3.2 billion, or close to 30%.

Now the commitment authority of IDA will be exhausted by June 30, 1977. A fifth replenishment of IDA resources will be needed. It was agreed among the traditional IDA contributors that the amount of the fifth replenishment, which covers IDA commitment authority for the three fiscal years 1978 through 1980, but which will be paid by the contributors over a period of approximately ten years, would be at least equivalent in real terms to that of the fourth replenishment plus an appropriate increase. The negotiations towards the fifth replenishment have been going on now for over 14 months, and the traditional contributors are about to reach an agreement on providing \$7.2 billion for the fifth replenishment.

It is hoped that new contributors led by Saudi Arabia would be able to increase this amount to \$8 billion. Saudi Arabia's role, Your Majesty, in this endeavor is crucial. In the latest meeting of the Deputies of the contributing countries, the representative of Saudi Arabia informed IDA staff that the Kingdom has agreed to contribute \$250 million. The poorest among the developing countries, which are the beneficiaries of IDA funds, would most certainly greatly appreciate the Kingdom's contribution. However, at this level it unfortunately will not be possible to attain the target hoped for of \$8 billion, and would make our efforts with other countries very difficult, causing a set-back to the hopes of the poorest countries. During my visit last May, I had suggested a contribution by the Kingdom of \$600 million (paid over about ten years). If the Kingdom's contribution could be increased to \$450 million, this could probably bring the target of total IDA V Replenishment of \$8 billion within reach. A reconsideration of the Kingdom's contribution to bring it to this level would certainly have a world-wide appreciation.

This matter is of such importance to the developing countries, which we serve, and particularly to the poorest among them, that I would like to visit the Kingdom for further discussions, if Your Majesty deems it fit.

With warmest regards,

Sincerely,

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara

Robert S. McNamara

Encl.

Cleared with and cc: Mr. Cargill

cc: Messrs. McNamara (2)
Goodman/Hattori
Diamond/Vibert
Nurick

SELFishawy/rh
January 27, 1977

493/3/44

January 28, 1977

Dear Gene:

I regret very much that it was necessary for me to refuse Arthur Simon's invitation to join with others in Washington on June 10 and 11, to discuss how best to implement the Right-to-Food Resolution. I have already agreed to join a group sponsored by the Ford and Rockefeller Foundations meeting in Denmark to discuss the world's population problem.

I hope we may meet again soon during your next trip to Washington. Please allow time for a visit.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Robert S. McNamara

Mr. Eugene C. Blake
204 Davenport Drive
Stamford, Connecticut
06902

RMcN:bmm

493/3/43

JAN 28 1977

Dear Mrs. Lennon:

Thank you for your letter and its warm invitation to attend the 6th International Conference on Breastfeeding, to be held July 14-16 in Toronto.

I appreciate your thinking of me, and regret that previous commitments for that period will not make it possible for me to join you.

Please do accept my warm best wishes for the ongoing success of your work, and for what I am confident will be a valuable conference.

It was kind of you to write.

Sincerely,

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara

Robert S. McNamara

Mrs. Viola Lennon
Chairman of the Board
La Leche League International
9616 Minneapolis Avenue
Franklin Park, Illinois 60131

JLMaddux:mwm
January 26, 1977

1.1 La Leche League International
Lennon, V.

693/3/42

January 27, 1977

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. CARGILL

This is simply to reaffirm my belief that the Vice President, Finance, through the Programming and Budgeting Department, should exercise financial control over the functional management of the IFC. In particular, you should arrange to review all of IFC's financial policy papers and maintain a continuing surveillance over its borrowing program and its financial statements.

If you or your associates have any questions regarding this matter, please discuss them with me.

Robert S. McNamara

cc: Mr. Gabriel

RMcN:mss

493/3/41

JAN 27 1977

Estimado Sr. Presidente:

Ha sido para mí una satisfacción muy especial el haber podido intercambiar ideas con el Dr. Conrado Pappalardo sobre los importantes programas de desarrollo que está realizando su Gobierno. A este respecto, y tal como lo señalara al Dr. Pappalardo, la intensificación de los esfuerzos de preparación de proyectos que ha realizado su Gobierno durante este último año nos permitirá aumentar en forma significativa el apoyo que el Banco pueda aportar a los esfuerzos de su país.

Al agradecer su atenta carta del 10 de enero, quisiera hacer llegar a usted, señor Presidente, mis mejores deseos para 1977 y reiterarle el sentimiento de mi más alta y distinguida consideración.

Atentamente,

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara

Robert S. McNamara

General del Ejército
Alfredo Stroessner
Presidente de la República
del Paraguay
Asunción, Paraguay

cc: Mr. J. Gutierrez, Executive Director

MSchloss/dpb

January 25, 1977

cc: Mr. McNamara's Office (2)

403/3/40

JAN 27 1977

Dear Dr. Pagot:

Thank you for your letter of December 22, 1976, in which you told me of your decision to leave ILCA.

The CGIAR, and the system of research centers it supports, is beginning to make a significant contribution to the solution of the food problem in the developing countries. As a member of TAC and the first Director of ILCA, you have played an important part in this international endeavor.

In meeting with the Center Directors each year I have sensed their devotion to their task. I share your hope that the Centers will be effective in serving the interests of the poor in the underprivileged countries.

I wish you every success for the future.

Sincerely,

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara

Robert S. McNamara

Dr. J. R. Pagot
Villa Colinette
6 Avenue des Palmiers
06160 Juan les Pins
France

MichaelLejeune/ms/G9

c.c. Mr. McNamara's Office (2)

493/3/39

January 26, 1977

Dear Bernard:

We always welcome information on the availability of able people and I appreciate, therefore, receiving the name of your partner's brother-in-law. Unfortunately, however, we have but one small office in Central and Latin America. The International Development Bank, on the other hand, maintains offices in each of the nations and I believe he would find greater opportunities there.

We miss having the Shanleys as neighbors. Do let us know when you come to Washington on a visit.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara

Robert S. McNamara

Bernard M. Shanley, Esq.
550 Broad Street
Newark, New Jersey 07102

RMcN:bmm

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JEAN CARRIERE

JANUARY 26, 1977

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PARIS

FRANCE

PLEASE PASS IMMEDIATELY TO WILLIAM CLARK. RECEIVED TODAY FOLLOWING MESSAGE FROM CARLOS SANTISTEVAN, PRESIDENT PERUVIAN CENTRAL BANK QUOTE I HAVE LEARNED TODAY OF YOUR PROPOSAL TO GET FORMER GERMAN CHANCELLOR WILLY BRANDT TO MEDIATE IN THE NORTH SOUTH DIALOGUE. I AM DELIGHTED TO SEE THAT YOU HAVE AGAIN EXERCISED LEADERSHIP AND TAKEN SUCH INITIATIVE. I FEEL WORLD SITUATION COULD BECOME AGAIN A VERY DIFFICULT ONE AND I THINK ANY EFFORT TO GET AN UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN DEVELOPED AND DEVELOPING COUNTRIES IS ^{MOST} ~~NOT~~ WELCOME. I HOPE MR. BRANDT WILL ACCEPT THE CHALLENGE AND SOME PROGRESS WILL BE MADE IN THIS FIELD. END QUOTE

ROBERT S. MCNAMARA

Robert S. McNamara

President

RMcn:bma

493/3/37

JAN 26 1977

Dear Mr. Blanchard:

Thank you for your letter of January 4, inviting my comments on your 1978-1979 program and budget proposals; you would put them before your Governing Body when it considers the proposals early next month. The documents havenot as yet reached the Bank. When they do, we shall read them with considerable interest.

I appreciate the opportunity you have given me to express my views and the considerations which prompted your action. I share your belief that consultation and cooperation among the agencies of the U.N. system can greatly enhance the effectiveness and efficiency of the agencies' activities, to the benefit of the developing countries. Nevertheless, I am sure you will understand my reluctance to comment on the proposals at this atage. If staff of the Bank can help to implement or provide support to your program in association with our own work, we shall be pleased to consider how we might appropriately and feasibly do so. Useful collaboration already exists between the staffs of our institutions in a number of areas of common concern -- for example, basic human needs, employment and manpower training. I am confident that this cooperation will not only continue but will increase and be strengthened over time.

Thank you again for your letter. I look forward to seeing you at the next ACC meeting.

Sincerely,

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara

Robert S. McNamara

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January 25, 1977

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JOHANNES P. PRONK
MINISTER FOR DEVELOPMENT COOPERATION
MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS

JANUARY 25, 1977

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THE HAGUE

THE NETHERLANDS

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Robert S. McNamara
President

cc: Mr. William Clark-Vice President,
External Relations

MR. LOOIJEN - E. D.

RMcN:bmm

JANUARY 25, 1977

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QUOTE

ROBERT S. MCNAMARA

Robert S. McNamara

President

RMcN:bm

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MR. DAVID HOPPER
INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT RESEARCH CENTER

JANUARY 25, 1977

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MR. DRAKE - E.D.

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MR. DAVID HOPPER

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ROBERT S. MCNAMARA

Robert S. McNamara

President

RMcN:bmm

493/3/34

January 24, 1977

Dear Mr. Minister:

Thank you for your warm letter inviting me to address the Danish Council for International Development Cooperation, in connection with my possible participation in the IV Bellagio Conference in June 1977.

It is very kind of you to think of me in this connection, but unfortunately it is not yet clear whether I am going to be able to attend the Bellagio meeting. June is the final month of the Bank's fiscal year, and in the past the pressures of work connected with it have not made it possible for me to be away from Washington during that period.

In view of this, I think it would be better for me to decline the invitation as I would not want to complicate the Council's plans by a last-minute cancellation.

I do hope you will understand. It was very kind of you to write.

Sincerely,

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara

Robert S. McNamara

The Honorable K.B. Andersen
Minister for Foreign Affairs
Ministry for Foreign Affairs
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HIS EXCELLENCY
HERRN WILLY BRANDT
MITGLIED DES BUNDESTAGES
BUNDESHAUS
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JANUARY 24, 1977

LT (Ext. 2001)

GERMANY

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ROBERT S. MCNAMARA

Robert S. McNamara
President

cc: William Clark-Vice President
External Relations

RMcN:bmm

493/3/32

January 24, 1977

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. CLARK

I am prepared to continue to support the formation of a "Brandt" Commission if, during your discussion with ex-Chancellor Brandt later this week you can obtain from him his agreement to serve as Chairman of such a Commission subject only to his receiving assurance that there is not substantial opposition to the formation of the Commission from the Third World.

I am sure you understand why it is not in the interests of the Third World to hold open the question of whether the Commission should be formed until the end of February as suggested by Perez Guerrero, and I am not prepared to delay action on it for that period of time.

Robert S. McNamara

cc: Mr. Haq

RMcN:mss

493/3/31

JAN 24 1977

Dear Lic. Fernández Hurtado:

Thank you very much indeed for your warm and encouraging letter of January 6. I, too, have found my many contacts with the Bank of Mexico invariably rewarding and satisfying, and I know how much we in the World Bank owe to your wisdom, your good will and your admirable tenacity in creating and managing a financial system geared to serving the cause of economic development. The international community, as well as Mexico, is greatly in your debt and I sincerely hope that your retirement from the Bank of Mexico will not mean a permanent withdrawal from public service.

I have every hope that we will continue to remain in contact and that there will be many opportunities in which I may benefit from your experience, your counsel and your friendship.

With kindest regards, and best wishes for the New Year,

Sincerely,

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara
Robert S. McNamara

Lic. Ernesto Fernández Hurtado
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México 10, D. F.

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cc: Mr. Knapp
Mr. Krieger

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January 19, 1977

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January 20, 1977

His Excellency
Rauf R. Denktash
President of the Turkish
Federated State of Cyprus
Lefkosa, Mersin 10
TURKEY

Excellency:

Thank you for your letter of December 13 regarding the Bank's activities in Cyprus.

I understand that during the discussions which the Bank staff had with you and your colleagues last year and with Mr. Vedat Celik more recently in November in Washington, they explained the legal situation which governs the Bank's position vis-a-vis its member countries, the framework in which the Bank has been assisting Cyprus with its economic development and possible arrangements which would enable both communities to benefit from Bank loans.

As you know, the Republic of Cyprus, as an independent state, became a member of the Bank in 1961 and since that date has been represented in the Bank as in the United Nations and other international organizations of which Cyprus is a member, by the Government which has retained the responsibility for Cyprus' international relations.

In accordance with the Bank's Articles of Agreement -- which the Government of Cyprus accepted before becoming a member of the Bank -- and the Bank's established policy under its Articles, the Bank may make loans only to, or with the guarantee of, the member government in whose territories the project for which the loan is made is to be located. In the circumstances, development assistance provided for any project in any location in Cyprus has to be channelled through, or be guaranteed by, the Government of the Republic of Cyprus. Our Articles of Agreement also require the Bank to take into account only economic considerations in its decisions.

Our lending operations in Cyprus must be viewed against this background. On the other hand, I very much regret that the efforts made by the Bank staff over the past two years with you and your associates to develop

His Excellency
Rauf R. Denktash

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January 20, 1977

projects, or portions of projects (such as the Nicosia Sewerage Project), benefiting the Turkish Cypriot Community, have not yet borne fruit.

If you deem it possible to consider arrangements whereby the Bank could finance such projects through, or with the guarantee of, the Government which represents Cyprus as a member of the Bank, you can rest assured that, as already mentioned to Mr. Celik, we would give these projects a high priority in our lending to Cyprus. As is our practice in lending to member countries which have a federal structure, we would wish to establish as close a relationship with the authorities directly responsible for the projects as possible, in addition to the basic loan or guarantee agreement with our member governments.

Sincerely,

Robert S. McNamara

cc: Mr. Looijen

Cleared with and cc: Messrs. Bart, Sella

cc: Messrs. Knox, Davar o/r

cc: Mr. McNamara's office (2)

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January 14, 1977

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JAN 20 1977

Union Bank of Switzerland
Swiss Credit Bank
Swiss Bank Corporation

Gentlemen:

I would like to express my appreciation for the new borrowing of SwF 500 million concluded for the World Bank by the Swiss banking syndicate under your leadership and for your continued cooperation in the World Bank's endeavors to raise funds in the private and public markets of Switzerland. We look forward to developing further the close relationship we have enjoyed with you over the years.

Please extend my appreciation also to the other members of the banking syndicate for their support of our borrowing operations.

Sincerely,

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara

Robert S. McNamara

cc: Mr. Cargill
Mr. Goodman
Mr. Rotberg

JPUhrig:hb
1/18/1977

Cleared by Mr. Rotberg

693/3/28

JAN 20 1977

Dear Dr. Leutwiler:

I would like to thank you for the continued access to the Swiss market which you and your institution have permitted the World Bank. We very much appreciate the most valuable support and advice we receive from the Swiss National Bank in connection with our endeavors to raise funds in the private and public markets in Switzerland.

Thank you again for your cooperation and assistance.

Sincerely,

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara

Robert S. McNamara

Dr. Fritz Leutwiler
President
Banque Nationale Suisse
8022 Zurich, Switzerland

cc: Mr. Cargill
Mr. Goodman
Mr. Rotberg

JPUhrig:hb
1/19/1977

Cleared by Mr. Rotberg

493/3/25

January 19, 1977

Dear Mr. Deputy Prime Minister:

Thank you for your letter of November 20, 1976, summarizing the remarkable performance of the Korean economy in the 1974 through 1976 period, and your objectives and priorities in the Fourth Five-Year Plan period which is just beginning. We, in the Bank, take great satisfaction from the fact that we were able to assist and that our assistance was so effectively used to promote the economic well-being of the people of Korea. We fully appreciate the continuing need of Korea for external assistance in its effort to achieve the development goals of the Fourth Plan and we look forward to continuing assistance to, and cooperation with, you in that effort.

With regard to the specific loan projects you propose for FY77 and FY78, several have, as you know, already been approved by our Board and most, though not all of the others, are being studied by our staff. It is too early to say whether we will be able to assist in financing these projects and whether our aggregate loan commitments to Korea in the two years will reach the level you suggest. Aside from the question of the merits of the specific projects and the limits of our staff capacity, there are, as you know, constraints on total Bank lending which bear on this. We will, however, study your applications for specific project assistance and respond as promptly as possible.

I take this opportunity to wish you and your Government success in achieving the objectives of the Fourth Plan.

Sincerely,

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara

Robert S. McNamara

His Excellency
Duck-Woo Nam
Deputy Prime Minister and
Minister
Economic Planning Board
Seoul
Republic of Korea

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493/3/24

JAN 19 1977

Dear Mr. Minister,

I am writing to you in connection with the Fifth Replenishment of IDA. As you know, the negotiations are now nearly completed and I hope that the agreement can be made final in early March. The main outlines of the agreement are now clear and I have every hope that the traditional Part I contributors will provide IDA with total commitment authority of \$7.2 billion maintaining the same shares as they undertook for the Fourth Replenishment. On top of this, we are making every endeavor to obtain a significant contribution from new donors.

At the Kuwait meeting of IDA Deputies, the representative for Ireland said that the Irish authorities would not be able to maintain Ireland's \$12.2 million share in the \$7.2 billion total to be provided by the traditional donors but could only provide a total of £5 million (\$8.6 million). We have already been in touch with other contributors about the possibility of their making up for this \$3.6 million shortfall and the response has been sympathetic. At the same time, it would be most helpful in bridging this shortfall if Ireland could itself make an extra effort and raise the amount of its intended contribution. Ireland faces most difficult economic prospects; nevertheless, a contribution to IDA 5 even a little higher than £5 million would be of great assistance to us in bringing the IDA negotiations to a successful conclusion and I, therefore, would like to ask whether Ireland could make an extra effort.

Sincerely,

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara

Robert S. McNamara

Mr. Richie Ryan
Minister of Finance
Dublin
Ireland

cc: Mr. McNamara's office (2)
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493/3/23

JAN 19 1977

Dear Mr. Hazera:

Thank you very much for your letter dated December 17, 1976, in which you invite the World Bank Group to be represented as observers at the Eighteenth Annual Meeting of the Board of Governors of the Inter-American Development Bank that will be held in San Salvador, El Salvador, from May 30 to June 1, 1977.

I am pleased to inform you that Mr. Adalbert Krieger, Vice President of the Latin America and Caribbean Region, Mr. Carlos N. Quijano, Special Representative for Inter-American Organizations in the same Region, and Mr. Gordon McClure, presently Director of Investments of the International Finance Corporation and, as of February 15, 1977, Vice President, Operations of IFC, will represent the Bank.

Sincerely,

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara

Robert S. McNamara

Mr. Jorge Hazera
Secretary
Inter-American Development Bank
808 17th Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20577

cc: For Mr. McNamara's Office (2)
Messrs. Krieger
McClure, IFC
Burney, IRS
Quijano

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JAN 19 1977

Dear Mac:

Thank you for your letter of January 3, inviting the participation of the Bank in the discussions of agencies and scientists on contraceptive research, to be held in London in April.

The implications of such research will have significance for the public sector program design and content, which receives support from external agencies, including the Bank. As Dr. Kanagaratnam has been involved and followed closely these developments for the past several years, I am pleased to agree to your proposal to designate him to attend this meeting on behalf of the Bank.

It is indeed an opportune time for such a forum to review the issues on the development of fertility regulating technology; this review will be useful background work for the June "Bellagio meeting."

Sincerely,

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara

Robert S. McNamara

Mr. McGeorge Bundy
President
The Ford Foundation
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cc: Mr. McNamara's office(2)
Mrs. Boskey/Mr. Burney-IRD

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January 17/76

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HIS EXCELLENCY
HERRN WILLY BRANDT
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JANUARY 19, 1977

LT (Ext. 2001)

THE RESPONSE TO THE SUGGESTION OF A COMMISSION UNDER YOUR CHAIRMANSHIP HAS BEEN FAR MORE WIDESPREAD AND GENERALLY FAVORABLE THAT I HAD DARED TO HOPE. (I AM AIRMAILING FOR YOUR INFORMATION SOME OF THE WORLDWIDE PRESS REACTION WHICH WE HAVE GATHERED).

THIS DEMONSTRATES, I BELIEVE, A GENERAL DESIRE TO MOVE FORWARD AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE FROM THE PRESENT DEADLOCK IN NORTH-SOUTH RELATIONS. I HOPE WE MAY USE THIS PUBLIC SUPPORT TO LAUNCH THE COMMISSION AT AS EARLY A DATE AS POSSIBLE - THOUGH I AM FULLY AWARE THAT IT WOULD TAKE SOME TIME FOR YOU TO COLLECT THE EMINENT PERSONS AS COMMISSIONERS, AND FOR A SUPPORTING HIGHLY EXPERT SECRETARIAT TO BE ORGANIZED.

AS I HAVE SAID PUBLICLY, I THINK IT VERY IMPORTANT THAT THE COMMISSION SHOULD BE GENUINELY INDEPENDENT. I AM THEREFORE HOPING IN THE NEXT TWO OR THREE WEEKS TO LAY THE FINANCIAL AND ORGANIZATIONAL BASIS ON WHICH I COULD THEN COME TO YOU TO DISCUSS THE ACTUAL ESTABLISHMENT OF A TRULY INDEPENDENT, FULLY INTERNATIONAL COMMISSION UNDER YOUR CHAIRMANSHIP.

I AM ASKING MY VICE PRESIDENT FOR EXTERNAL RELATIONS WILLIAM CLARK TO

Robert S. McNamara
President

cc: Mr. Clark-Vice President,
External Relations

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JANUARY 19, 1977

UNDERTAKE THE PRELIMINARY LAYING OF THIS GROUNDWORK AND HE WILL BE VISITING EUROPE NEXT WEEK. IF IT WERE CONVENIENT HE COULD MEET WITH YOU AND SUCH OTHERS AS YOU WISH AT THAT TIME.

ROBERT S. McNAMARA

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JOHANNES P. PRONK
MINISTER FOR DEVELOPMENT COOPERATION
MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS

JANUARY 19, 1977

LT (Ext. 2001)

THE HAGUE

THE NETHERLANDS

I AM SUFFICIENTLY ENCOURAGED BY THE PUBLIC RESPONSE WORLDWIDE TO THE IDEA OF A COMMISSION ON DEVELOPMENT WHICH YOU AND I HAVE DISCUSSED TO WISH TO PRESS AHEAD URGENTLY WITH ITS ESTABLISHMENT.

AS I SAID IN MY TELEGRAM OF DECEMBER 20 I WOULD LIKE TO SIT DOWN AND TALK THIS OVER WITH YOU AND HOPE I MAY DO SO WITHIN THE NEXT TWO OR THREE WEEKS. IN THE MEANTIME I AM ASKING WILLIAM CLARK TO LAY THE GROUNDWORK BY A VISIT TO POTENTIAL SPONSORS NEXT WEEK. I HOPE YOU CAN SEE HIM; HE WILL BE IN TOUCH TO ARRANGE A CONVENIENT MEETING TIME.

I HAVE TODAY CABLED HERR BRANDT AS FOLLOWS

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cc: William Clark-Vice President,
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ROBERT S. McNAMARA

cc. For Mr. McNamara's
office

493/3/18

JAN 13 1977

Dear Mr. Minister:

I was pleased to receive your letter of December 29 informing me that the Government of the Republic of Korea is prepared to contribute \$1 million to the Fifth Replenishment of IDA. I welcome this decision, as will also, I am sure, all members of IDA, as evidence of the interest of the Korean Government in assisting developing countries and of its wish to do so through IDA.

The Office of the Vice President, Finance, will be in touch with you in due course in order to bring you up to date on the status of the negotiations of the Fifth Replenishment and to discuss with you the timing and method of payment as well as any other questions that may be in your mind.

With best personal regards,

Sincerely,

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara

Robert S. McNamara

His Excellency
Yong Hwan Kim
Minister of Finance
Ministry of Finance
Seoul, Republic of Korea

cc Mr. Thavil Khutrakul
Messrs. Cargill, Bell, Vibert

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493/3/17

January 12, 1977

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. CHENERY

During the next few weeks I will be working on the draft of the Population Speech. Therefore, please do not distribute copies of the material Tim has sent to you and me either inside or outside of the building.

Before I make any distribution of the draft I am working on, I will of course want your views and those of Tim.

RMcN

Robert S. McNamara

cc: Mr. T. King

RMcN:mss

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HIS EXCELLENCY
ABDELMALEK TEMAM
MINISTER OF FINANCE OF THE
DEMOCRATIC AND POPULAR REPUBLIC OF ALGERIA
ALGIERS

JANUARY 12, 1977

FULL RATE

ALGERIA

DEAR MR. MINISTER. MR. KHELIF HAS TODAY DELIVERED TO ME YOUR CABLE OF JANUARY ELEVEN. NEEDLESS TO SAY, ALL OF US VERY MUCH REGRET THE IMPRESSION HELD BY YOU THAT ACTION BY THE BANK APPEARS TO FAVOR THE POSITION OF ONE OF THE PARTIES IN A BOUNDARY DISPUTE. I KNOW YOU UNDERSTAND AND I WANT TO REPEAT THAT IT IS OUR POLICY NEVER TO TAKE POSITIONS ON BOUNDARY DISPUTES AMONG OUR MEMBERS. I HAVE THEREFORE INFORMED MR. KHELIF TONIGHT THAT IF YOUR GOVERNMENT WISHES, WE ARE QUITE PREPARED TO ASK EACH OF THE OFFICIALS AND GOVERNMENTS WHICH HAVE RECEIVED COPIES OF THE MAP IN QUESTION TO RETURN THEIR COPIES TO US, REPEATING TO THEM THAT IT IS OUR POLICY NEVER TO TAKE POSITIONS ON BOUNDARY DISPUTES AMONG OUR MEMBERS. WE WOULD INFORM SUCH OFFICIALS THAT ONE OF THE PARTIES TO SUCH A DISPUTE HOLDS A CONTRARY IMPRESSION AND WE ARE THEREFORE ASKING THAT THE MAP BE RETURNED. MR. KHELIF HAS QUITE PROPERLY INFORMED ME THAT HE WOULD NOT WISH TO TAKE ANY POSITION BEFORE CONSULTATION WITH HIS GOVERNMENT. I AM PREPARED TO ACT AS YOU INDICATE TO ME THROUGH HIM. WITH BEST REGARDS

ROBERT S. McNAMARA

Robert S. McNamara
President

cc: Mr. Khelif - Executive Director
Mr. Benjenk - Vice President, EMENA

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Office of the President

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Monsieur l'Ambassadeur,

J'ai l'honneur d'accuser réception de votre lettre du 16 décembre 1976 par laquelle vous avez bien voulu porter à ma connaissance que le 24 novembre dernier, vous avez remis au Président des Etats-Unis d'Amérique les lettres qui vous accréditent auprès de lui en qualité d'Ambassadeur de la République du Mali.

Je saisis cette occasion pour vous exprimer mes vives félicitations et me réjouis de cette circonstance qui nous permettra de poursuivre la collaboration constructive et cordiale qui a toujours existé entre votre pays et la Banque Mondiale.

A mon tour, je suis heureux de vous réitérer l'assurance des efforts que notre Organisation déploie en faveur des pays les moins favorisés, afin de leur permettre d'atteindre le but qu'ils se sont fixé pour leur développement. En effet, nous pensons que la Banque Mondiale contribue ainsi à promouvoir le développement harmonieux de la communauté internationale.

Je vous prie d'agréer, Monsieur l'Ambassadeur, l'assurance de ma haute considération.

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara

Robert S. McNamara

Son Excellence
Monsieur Ibrahima Sima
Ambassadeur de la République
du Mali
2130 R Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20008

TRANSLATION

Dear Mr. Ambassador:

I am pleased to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated December 16, 1976, by which you were good enough to inform me that you have presented to the President of the United States of America your letter accrediting you to him in the capacity of Ambassador of the Republic of Mali.

I take this opportunity to express to you my sincere congratulations and I look forward with pleasure to maintaining the friendly and constructive cooperation which has always existed between your country and the World Bank.

For my part, I am pleased to assure you again of the efforts that our organization is making on behalf of the poorer countries in order that they may reach their development goal. We believe that the World Bank helps in this manner to promote the harmonious development of the international community.

Sincerely,

Robert S. McNamara

His Excellency
Mr. Ibrahima Sima
Ambassador of the Republic of Mali
2130 R Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20008

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AMBASSADE DE LA REPUBLIQUE DU MALI AUX ETATS-UNIS
2130 R STREET, N. W. WASHINGTON, D. C. 20008

No 76/392/AMW

Washington, le 16 décembre 1976

Monsieur le Président,

J'ai l'honneur de porter à votre connaissance que le 24 novembre 1976, j'ai remis au Président des Etats Unis d'Amérique, les lettres qui m'accréditent ^{à créditer me} auprès de Lui en qualité d'Ambassadeur de la République du Mali.

Il m'est agréable de saisir cette occasion pour vous exprimer mon désir sincère d'entretenir, tant avec vos collaborateurs qu'avec vous-même, des relations de totale et fructueuse coopération.

Le pays en développement qu'est la République du Mali a suivi avec beaucoup d'intérêt vos appels pressants à la communauté internationale développée, pour qu'à travers Votre Organisation, instrument incomparable de lutte contre le sous-développement, elle accroisse son aide au bénéfice des pays les plus démunis. Le programme que vous avez défini voici trois ans à Nairobi en faveur du monde rural, et les mesures que vous avez récemment envisagées à Manille en octobre dernier, pour venir à bout du paupérisme urbain, nous assurent de votre

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juste perception des véritables solutions à nos problèmes en même temps que de votre détermination de faire pleinement jouer à la Banque Mondiale son rôle qui est celui d'aider à promouvoir le développement harmonieux de toute la communauté internationale.

En espérant que les années qui viendront verront s'élargir la coopération déjà fructueuse entre Votre Organisation et le Mali, je vous prie d'agréer, Monsieur le Président, l'assurance de ma haute considération.



Ibrahima Maciré SIMA

Monsieur Robert S. McNamara
Président,
Banque Internationale pour la
Reconstruction et le Développement
1818 H Street N.W. - Room E-1227

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20433

Embassy of the Republic of Mali to the United States

Washington, D.C. 20008

No. 76/392/AMW

Washington, December 16, 1976

Dear Mr. President:

I wish to inform you that on November 24, 1976, I presented to the President of the United States the letter accrediting me to him in the capacity of Ambassador of the Republic of Mali.

I am pleased to take this opportunity to express to you my sincere wish to maintain, both with your colleagues and yourself, a close and fruitful cooperation.

As a developing country, the Republic of Mali has followed with much interest your urgent appeals to the international community of developed countries for increased assistance to the poorer countries through your institution which is unrivalled in its fight against underdevelopment. The program you defined three years ago in Nairobi on behalf of the rural populations and the actions you outlined in Manila last October to eradicate urban poverty assure us of your fair assessment of the genuine solutions to our problems as well as of your determined efforts to have the World Bank assume fully its role of helping to promote the harmonious development of the international community as a whole.

I look forward to an even more fruitful cooperation between your organization and Mali.

Accept, Mr. President, the assurance of my highest consideration.

Mr. Robert McNamara
President
International Bank for
Reconstruction and Development
etc.....

signed Ibrahima Maciré SIMA
(Seal of the Embassy of the Republic of Mali)

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JAN 12 1977

Dear Mr. M'Bow:

I thank you for your letter of December 15, 1976 expressing the hope that the World Bank will be able to extend assistance to the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam.

The Board of Executive Directors of the Bank at a meeting on September 21, 1976, as you may know, recognized the membership of the unified Viet Nam as a continuation of the membership which South Viet Nam had held since 1956. Subsequently early in October during the annual meeting of the Bank's Board of Governors in Manila, the Delegation from the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam, in discussions with our staff, expressed their desire for assistance from the Bank, and it was agreed that as a first step a Bank economic mission should visit Viet Nam in January 1977. Arrangements for the mission have now been confirmed, and it is scheduled to arrive in Hanoi on January 18, 1977.

The mission's task is to enlarge our present totally inadequate knowledge and understanding of the economic situation, problems, needs, and prospects of Viet Nam and to the extent possible identify areas in which Bank assistance would be helpful and could be effectively used. In this connection, I have drawn the attention of the Chief of Mission, Mr. Edward Hawkins, to your letter and the specific needs which were indicated to you by the Viet Nam delegation.

Once again, I appreciate your writing to me about the matter and I hope you and your staff will not hesitate to convey any further information and views you have.

Sincerely,

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara

Robert S. McNamara

Mr. Amadou-Mahtar M'Bow
Director General
United Nations Educational, Scientific
and Cultural Organization
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75700 Paris
France

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January 7, 1977

Cleared with & cc: Mr. B. Sandberg

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

493/3/11

TO: Mr. Robert S. McNamara, President, World Bank
Mr. Yahia Khelif
FROM: Yahia Khelif, Executive Director yk/khelif
Robert S. McNamara
SUBJECT: CNCA (Report MOR No.1308)

DATE: January 10, 1977

Thank you for your memorandum of today's date concerning the map contained in the appraisal report of the proposed Bank loan to CNCA (Morocco), which was distributed to the Board prior to our conversation on the subject.

In the course of conversations I had with Mr. Benjenk subsequent to our Jan 10, 1977, I should like to assure you, as Mr. Benjenk has already done, that the map concerned was furnished to our technical services, at their request, by the Borrower, CNCA, to show the location of that bank's branch offices. It therefore, naturally, shows the location of CNCA's office in El Ayoun, which is a question of fact, although the present Bank loan does not foresee any disbursements for that particular office of CNCA.

In any case, I should like to confirm to you, first of all, that it is imperative for the Bank to have no part in and no opinion about, any territorial questions which might affect one or more of its member countries. It is for this reason that many maps issued in Bank reports contain the disclaimer worded "The boundaries shown on this map do not imply endorsement or acceptance by the World Bank and its affiliates". Our staff are, and will continue to be, keenly aware of the need to avoid any characterization which might cause political embarrassment.

MPBenjenk:rpo

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TO: THE HONORABLE
ANDREW PEACOCK
MINISTER FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS
CANBERRA, ACT 2600

DATE: January 10, 1977

ORIGINATOR'S EXT.: 5464

COUNTRY: AUSTRALIA

CLASS OF SERVICE: TELEX

CABLE NO. & TEXT:

I APPRECIATE VERY MUCH THE DECISION OF THE AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENT TO ACCEPT AN IDA 5 TARGET FOR EXISTING DONORS OF \$7-7.5 BILLION AND TO CONTRIBUTE AUSTRALIA'S PRESENT SHARE OF 2.04 PERCENT OF THAT TARGET. I AM SURE YOU PERSONALLY HAVE PLAYED AN IMPORTANT PART IN REACHING THIS WELCOME DECISION. I AM GRATEFUL FOR YOUR THOUGHTFULNESS IN LETTING ME KNOW OF THE DECISION IN ADVANCE OF ITS ANNOUNCEMENT IN KUWAIT. NEEDLESS TO SAY I SHARE YOUR HOPE THAT THE KUWAIT MEETING CAN COME CLOSE TO, IF NOT ACTUALLY REACH, A FINAL AGREEMENT ON THE TOTAL FOR EXISTING DONORS AND FOR THEIR SHARES.

I AM SURE THE DECISION OF THE AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENT WILL BE VERY ENCOURAGING TO OTHER DONORS

WITH BEST PERSONAL REGARDS.

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara

ROBERT MCNAMARA

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TO: GAMANI COREA
21 Horton Place
Colombo 7, Sri Lanka

DATE: JANUARY 10, 1977

ORIGINATOR'S EXT.: 2467

COUNTRY: PEREZ GUERRERO
CABLE NO. & TEXT: MINISTER FOR INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC
RELATIONS
PALACIO MIRAFLORES
CARACAS, VENEZUELA

CLASS OF SERVICE: TELEX
(Colombo via UN
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DELIVERY)

I WOULD LIKE YOU TO KNOW IN ADVANCE OF A SPEECH THAT I SHALL BE MAKING IN BOSTON THIS FRIDAY 14th JANUARY, SINCE IT ADDRESSES ISSUES IN WHICH YOU HAVE A SPECIAL INTEREST. I PROPOSE TO REPEAT POSITIONS OF MY MANILA SPEECH DEALING WITH THE PROBLEMS OF THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES AND THEN SUGGEST THAT, AS ONE MEANS OF STIMULATING ACTION TO MEET THEM, A COMMISSION OF WISE MEN BE FORMED TO SUGGEST HOW TO MEET THOSE PROBLEMS. THE RELEVANT PARTS OF THE TEXT FOLLOW AT THE END OF THIS TELEGRAM.

I AM MAKING THIS PROPOSAL BECAUSE OF MY DEEP CONCERN THAT THERE IS NOT THE POLITICAL WILL TO CARRY FORWARD OVER THE NEXT FEW YEARS PLANS FOR A MORE EQUITABLE DIVISION OF THE WORLD'S RESOURCES WHICH WOULD BE OF MUTUAL BENEFIT TO BOTH DEVELOPED AND DEVELOPING NATIONS. IT IS MY HOPE THAT A GROUP OF EMINENT PERSONS WITH POLITICAL IMPACT IN BOTH RICH AND POOR COUNTRIES, BUT DRAWN FROM OUTSIDE CURRENT GOVERNMENTAL STRUCTURES, MIGHT BE ABLE TO POINT A WAY FORWARD AND GENERATE THE WILL TO FOLLOW IT.

IF, AS I HOPE, THIS PROPOSAL FINDS FAVOUR WITH YOU, I HOPE YOU

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WILL EXPRESS THAT POINT OF VIEW TO ANY MEMBER OF THE PRESS WHO
 QUERIES YOU. IF THE PROPOSAL RECEIVES GENERAL SUPPORT I HOPE TO
 CONSULT FURTHER WITH YOU IN THE NEAR FUTURE.

ROBERT S. MCNAMARA

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JAN 10 1977

Dear Mr. Premier:

I thank you for your letter of December 8, 1976 and am most grateful for your good wishes. I would like, in return, to express the hope that 1977 will be for all a year of true peace and real progress.

The World Bank, as you know, is paying increasing attention to those areas of economic and social development without which there can be no improvement in the conditions of the poorest people nor advancement among the poorest nations. In this way, it contributes to the realization of the lofty principles mentioned in your letter and is increasingly becoming, to use your own words, a source of hope for millions of people in the world.

I am grateful for your support in this critical endeavor.

Sincerely,

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara

Robert S. McNamara

His Excellency
Chiang Ching-kuo
Premier of the Republic of China
Taipei
Republic of China

cc: Mr. McNamara's Office (2)
Mr. William Clark

LPChatenay:mmh
January 7, 1977

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WOUTER TIMS
STEENHOFFSTRAAT NO. 17
SOEST

THE NETHERLANDS

JANUARY 4, 1977

FULL RATE

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I AM CABLING TO TRANSMIT TWO THOUGHTS COLON FIRST MY BEST WISHES BOTH FOR THE NEW YEAR AND FOR YOUR NEW CAREER STOP SECOND I REGRET VERY MUCH THAT WE WERE UNABLE TO MEET BEFORE YOU LEFT THE BANK FOR I WANTED TO TELL YOU NOT ONLY HOW MUCH WE WOULD MISS YOU HERE BUT I ALSO WANTED TO SOLICIT YOUR VIEWS ON HOW WE COULD BETTER OUR OPERATIONS STOP PLEASE ALLOW TIME FOR A VISIT WITH ME WHEN YOU NEXT COME TO THIS COUNTRY END

ROBERT S. MC NAMARA
FULL RATE

(2001)

Robert S. McNamara
President

RMcN:mss

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JAN 4 1977

Dear Gil:

Thank you for your letter of December 14. We are pleased that you propose to include again the World Bank in the group of agencies at which Brookings Economic Policy Fellows may be placed. As in previous years, I have asked John Adler, Assistant to the Vice President Finance, to handle the details. He will contact Mr. Breneman directly.

Sincerely,

Robert S. McNamara

Mr. Gilbert Y. Steiner
Acting President
The Brookings Institution
1775 Massachusetts Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D. C. 20036

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JAN 4 1976

Dear Dr. Khalid:

Upon return to the office after the year-end holidays, I found your kind invitation to attend the panel discussion on matters of planning and development of the Sudan, called by His Excellency President Nimeiri for January 8/9. You had already given us advanced notice of this meeting. As you know from Mr. Wapenhans' letter of December 20, 1976, I am unfortunately not in a position at this time to follow the invitation but I have asked the Regional Office to assure adequate representation at the panel discussion. You will by now have been informed that Mr. Stanley Please, Director of the Country Programs Department, will represent the Bank.

I am most encouraged indeed by the fact that you and your authorities found the Consultative Group meeting in Paris both satisfactory and useful. The results of the Paris meeting should provide the panel with a convenient starting point for its discussion. Since Mr. Please has most actively participated in the Consultative Group meeting, he would be eminently well prepared to join in the January 8/9 deliberations.

Please relay to President Nimeiri my sincere thanks for the kind invitation and my best wishes for the success of the panel discussion.

Sincerely,

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara

Robert S. McNamara

Dr. Mansour Khalid
Assistant to the President for
Coordination and Foreign Affairs
Khartoum
Sudan

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

WAWapenhans:rs
January 3, 1977

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JAN 4 1977

Dear Mr. Al-Sudeary:

Thank you for your letter of December 20. We are glad to be able to be of assistance to the Preparatory Commission for IFAD.

You asked me to suggest a time at which we might meet during your planned visit to Washington, which is likely to take place during the week of February 7. I would be pleased to see you in my office at 6:30 on Monday, February 7.

With good wishes for the New Year,

Sincerely,

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara

Robert S. McNamara

Mr. Abdelmuhsin M. Al-Sudeary
Chairman
Preparatory Commission
International Fund for
Agricultural Development
Via delle Terme di Caracalla
00100 Rome, Italy

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January 3, 1977

cc: Mr. Yudelman