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Name(s)	Rose Wanyiri		
Travel to	Mwanza, Musoma, Bunda and Sirari-Tanzania	Project (ATAB)	ATAB
Purpose of Trip	<p>Meeting with the various stakeholders, Agrodealers, Grain traders, Government officials & Custom officers and to familiarize with the grain trade situation on the ground.</p> <p>Meeting and sensitizing various stakeholders, agrodealers, grain traders, Government officials and custom officers on the ATAB project.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Laying the ground work for the training in Musoma. -Understanding of the grain situation on the ground. 		
Trip Duration	From (05/06/12)		To (09/06/12)

1. Findings (Write the activities done by date / Places visited)

Date	Activity
05-06-12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Travelled to Mwanza, Tanzania. ▪ Met with Benezeth Kamihanda a consultant working with Community Resources Development Organization (CRDO) for discussions on his recruitment for short time technical assistance in making appointments and accompanying AGMARK team to meet relevant stakeholders and mobilization of agrodealers and facilitators for the Musoma agrodealer training in cross border trade.
06-06-12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Made a courtesy call on the Mwanza Regional Agricultural officer Mr. Ndaro Kulwijila. ▪ Made a courtesy call on the Mwanza Regional trade officer Ms Christina Owenya. ▪ Visited various grain traders in Mwanza Mr. Peter Chacha, Mr Chacha and Mr. Laurent Bachunga.
07-06-12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Travelled to Bunda. ▪ Made a courtesy call on the District Commissioner Mr. Joshua Mirumbe. The team briefed him on the ATAB project. The DC was

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	<p>grateful for the endeavour and pointed out the need to also train farmers on the use of certified inputs, proper agronomic practices and post-harvest grain handling in order to increase production as Bunda has various requirements for increased food production.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Made a courtesy call on the District Crop officer Ms. Balisimaki. ▪ Travelled to Musoma. ▪ Made a courtesy call on the district agricultural and Livestock Development officer Mr. Mjema Mweja. Mr Mjema acknowledged that farmers have been facing problem in marketing of grains. He said some farmers still had maize from the previous two seasons due to lack of market and unharmonizes grain trade policies.
<p>08-06-12</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Checked out various tentative venues for the forthcoming agrodealer training in Musoma ▪ Travelled to Sirari border point. ▪ Made a courtesy on the head of customs at the Sirari border point Mr. Ben and his deputy Mr. Ninga. The team briefed him on the ATAB project and also made a request for a facilitator to handle the topic on Grain export and Import regulation, customs declaration and procedures during the training. He also briefed the team on the situation of grain trade across the border. ▪ Made a courtesy call on Plant Health Inspectorate Services officer Mr. Zephania Kija and the Tanzanian Food and Drugs Authority (TFDA) officer Donald Mkonyi. They briefed us on the various certificates required for grain report, which include; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ TFDA export permit ○ Plant Health Inspectorate Services certificate ○ Kibali cha Kusafirisha Mazao Kwenda nje ya chini from (MAFCs) ○ Certificates of Origin ○ TRA outward Report ▪ Travelled back to Mwanza
<p>09-06-12</p>	<p>Finalizing with the STTA on the forthcoming Agrodealer training on Cross border trade in Musoma.</p>

2. Observations and Recommendation

- Lack of harmonization on the cross border trade requirement policies among the various organs is a challenges to grain traders.
- Inquiries in regards to the requirements for one to trade across border from the trade office, MAFSCs, PHIS and the Provincial administration yields different answers. This is very confusing to the traders and has led to accumulation of grain surplus among the farmers going back as far as two seasons due to lack of markets.
- Most traders lack enough capital and also access to credit. This places severe constrain on the quantities that the traders can engage in.
- The traders also lack reliable and timely market information especially in regards to produce prices.

3. Key Contacts during trip (Provide list (including names, Tel, address) of contacts made i.e. Key farmers/agrodealers, Implementing Agencies, Partners, e.t.c)

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