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Memorandum



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DATE: February 3, 1972
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TO : TA/PM, Mr. Kenneth Levick

FROM : LA/DP, Arthur Boehme *AB*

SUBJECT: TA/N PROP: Inter-Regional Utilization

The project purpose, as we understand it, is to: 1) support development of a cassava fortification program in Brazil and the Congo, and 2) disseminate research results from this work on cassava as well as the results of other TA/N research activities dealing with fortification of food staples and corn. Consultants under contract will be financed by this project to assist with the cassava fortification programs. Dissemination of research results will occur at three inter-regional conferences, one each for cassava, corn, and food staples and through publication of the conference proceedings. The Latin American Bureau supports this project as being an attempt to develop a basis of knowledge among those people who will deal directly with the problems of developing nutrition programs in the LDC's.

The PROP is somewhat vague about content of the inter-regional conferences and the participants to be invited and it is, therefore, difficult to speculate about the quality and the benefits of such conferences. We trust that the conferences will be used as an opportunity to reach policy makers as well as technical experts dealing with nutrition problems. We should recognize, however, that the range of benefit can be very high or zero depending upon who is involved and what questions are dealt with at the conferences. It would be interesting to conduct a simple evaluation survey of the participants either during or after the conferences. The evaluation should try to estimate the probability of changing policies or practices within the LDC's because of the conference experience. Such an evaluation would indicate whether, in fact, the conferences are worthwhile, and if so, how they might be improved.



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TO : TA/N, Dr. Martin J. Forman

FROM : ASIA/TECH, James M. Blume *JMB*

SUBJECT: PROP "Interregional Utilization" of TA/N

DATE: March 10, 1972

Pursuant to our discussion of March 9, the Asia Bureau now withdraws its objections to the expenditures planned for FY 72. It is understood that plans for FY 73 and succeeding years will be discussed with us during the summer of 1972.

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March 2, 1972

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REMARKS OR ADDITIONAL ROUTING

Re: Revised TA/N PROP: Inter-Regional Utilization
(931-111-560-927)

The concept is logical and the general plan
appears practical.

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cc: Don Goodwin, /VN/ND/ID

*This concludes
VN Bureau clearance
as per C. George, TA/N, who
replied to VN Bureau on
2/29/72. VN Bureau
is now in process of
clearing for submission
of this report.
J.F.*

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TO : TA/N, Miss Amy Pound
Thru: AFR/DP, Mr. Edward B. Hogan
FROM : AFR/TAC, Princeton Lyman

DATE: January 4, 1972

SUBJECT: PROP - Interregional Utilization

The Africa Bureau has no objection to the holding of conferences on improving the nutritional quality of corn food staples and cassava. However, it would seem more logical to approve funding for each conference under the appropriate fortification project. A number of other seemingly unrelated inputs are vaguely mentioned but we were unable to find a specific course of action (except the PERT outline for two conferences) which specified which of the inputs would be financed under this project and how they would be developed.

We cannot concur with this project in its present form but would be willing to approve a simplified proposal limited to three nutritional quality conferences in 1972. We can find no description of other conferences to be held in 1973 and without this cannot approve the 1973 funding.

We would like to suggest that the regrouping of projects in this and other TA/N PROPS be studied and an effort made to improve the clarity and specificity of each individual PROP's purpose and goal, inputs and outputs. It would also be helpful if the relationship of each PROP to other AID funded nutrition efforts were clearly spelled out.

Africa Bureau interest and involvement in this and other TA/Nutrition project activities will be re-evaluated in the light of the Nutrition Strategy for Africa which is being developed now.



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TO : TA/PM, Kenneth S. Levick

DATE: March 10, 1972

FROM : TA/N, Martin J. Forman *by C. B. ...*

see 2/24/72 ltn

SUBJECT: Request for Qualified recommendation to AA/TA for PROP approval of the Office of Nutrition's "Inter-regional Utilization", 931-11-560-927

The PROP was forwarded to TA/PM on December 8, 1971 for the 48-hour clearance of TAB PROPS and to the Regional Bureaus on December 14, 1971. Approval by AA/TA February 1, 1972 stated authorization limited to \$21,000 for the corn fortification conference (March 6-10, 1972). Future funding considerations....subject to a revised PROP... The revised PROP was circulated on February 28, 1972, following the 48-hour clearance of TA/PM. The Regional Bureaus replied as follows:

<u>Regional Bureau</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Drafter</u>	<u>Authorizing Signature</u>
SA/IR/TECH	3-8-72	K. Lyvers	Robert R. Johnson

Approval of FY'72 workshops on Cassava and on fortification of cereals Earlier memo of June 21 "interposed no objection to going ahead..." provided...implemented only in those regions that have positive interest..."

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| 2. ASIA/TECH | 3-10-72 | | J.M. Blume |
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3. VN | 3-2-72 | J.F. Balsar | cc: D. Goodwin |
| No objection raised | | | |
| 4. AFR/DP & AFR/TAC | 1-4-72 | E. Hogan & P. Lyman | |

Some question but has no objection to holding the meetings. Two meetings are underway and time does not permit any change. Based on that we recommend approval the project so we may proceed with the May 1st workshop on food fortification in that the bureaus and missions have been alerted in order to provide time for participants to plan.

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| 5. LA/DP | 2-3-72 | | A. Boehme |
| "LA supports this project..." | | | |

* "Pursuant to...discussion of March 9, the Asia Bureau now withdraws its objections to the expenditures planned for FY '72..."

Copies of Regional Bureaus replies are attached.

