

MONTHLY REPORT - JOHN FOLEY

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We have had a very good experience with our first short term advisor. Bob Thompson was very well versed in his subject and did an excellent job for us. He did so well in fact that several people already want him back again next year, and he is willing to come. I hope all our specialists can do as well.

Dr. Thompson spent three days working with the staff in the Social Sciences and also visited the Wine Institute in Régua and the large Coop. at Cachão. This was to give him an idea of the feeling in Trás-os-Montes regarding Portugal's entry in CEE. The last two days of his visit were a two day seminar on European Common Market implications. It was very well attended with about 75 at the initial session and possibly an average of 60 for all the sessions. I spent the whole week with him.

I would like to compliment the department of Sociology and Economics for the excellent way they took care of planning the seminar and working out details.

On May 23 I took Thompson to Porto to make train connections to Lisboa.

We are now in our new office. We have a phone - 099 - 24448 and hope to finish up a few details of painting and get a secretary soon. We also have telex at the president's office (24436 IUTAD P)

I think we should work out a uniform formula for how much each institute pays on expenses of shared short time visitors. I suggest that it simply be the total expense divided by the no. of working days - proportioned to each institute on the basis of the no. of working days spent at that institute. This will take care of all misc. expenses, holidays, and week-ends

On May 4 I went to Covilhã with Artur Cristóvão to work on details for our "Work Shop" to be held during the period June 15-26. The specialists Pricer and Frist are to arrive on June 6 and proceed to Covilhã for a 1 week

preparation period before the course. Cristóvão and I are to meet with them on June 10 for final preparation of the details for the workshop.

I would like to say that I was able to accomplish a lot with D.R.T. M. this month, but that is not the case. It is very difficult to schedule a time when we can meet. They have a very tight schedule and spend a good share of their time in Mirandela. I now have a time scheduled for June 1/with Eng. Madureira.

I have devoted quite a lot of time this month to details such as budget meetings, preparing paperwork for incoming visitors Thompson, Rhykerd, Krutz and Gretchen Ahldrichs. I also have been working on study leave documents for Luis Rego, Vaz Caldas and Cristóvão. I have also had some details to work out for Ahldrichs shipment and helped unload the truck when it came.

I have had requests from several departments for books and reprints of articles. The reprints have been requested from Purdue for material for Animal Science, Vet. Science, Plant Science, and Forestry. The book requests came from English and Sociology and Economics Dept. so far. I asked AID Lisboa for support for books and was informed that we already have a fund for books. I must look into this as a source before I go further.