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Dr. Michael Collins finished his tour here on August 4 and I took him to Lisbon for final meetings with AID/L and return to the U.S. on August 7. He was very effective here and we were sorry he couldn't be with us longer. He was able to help Engr. Armando Mascarenhas Ferreira with his forage research and work out a plan for graduate study for him.

Early in the month we ran into trouble on the study program for Engr. Artur Cristóvão. I was able to coordinate a meeting with AID/L staff and Dir. José Brito Carvalho of DRTM on August 13 to discuss this study grant. During the meeting Dir. Brito Carvalho called Co-Dir. Almeida Alves and gave his support to go ahead with plans for PROCAMFER to finance this grant except for the travel. This was approved and the Cristóvão family left for the University of Wisconsin on August 18.

We now have everything cleared for Engr. Alfonso Martins to leave for Purdue on September 3. Engr. Jaime Sales Luis is all cleared and will leave for the University of Oregon about September 15. He was able to get a grant from Gulbenkian for \$4000 to extend his time in Oregon.

A good part of the rest of August was spent trying to get an extension training course off the ground. This has been difficult for many reasons, and it still is not approved yet. I don't like to have people getting medical exams and passports without knowing for sure that the trip will happen or that they will be approved. At this point in time I don't care to say where the bottle-neck is. If the trip doesn't work out it may be easier and safer for future programs to blame me!

It looks as if I may be able to stay at IUTAD until after the first of the year to help coordinate our program here. Every one seems to be positive on this. We found several weeks that were not used by previous short term visitors which would add up to about 6 months of extra time. I believe we can use this time to advantage to get the project ready to operate on its own in 83-84.