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PURPOSE OF CONSULTATION

The purposes of the consultation in the Philippines was to 1) provide direct input into the planning and implementation of Project-sponsored activities to be held in conjunction with the XIVth Congress of the International Forum for Home Economics to be held in Manila, July, 1980; 2) hold discussions with country leaders and the USAID Mission population officers regarding country program planning and implementation of activities, as well as strategies for future Project and country approvals of annual workplans.

BACKGROUND: The AHEA Project has been in existence since 1971 and Philippine leaders have been involved in various national and international Project-related activities since its inception. Progress toward institutionalization has been achieved through the direct leadership of Dr. Aurora Corpuz, Dean of Home Economics at the University of the Philippines, Quezon City, who serves currently as the country coordinator for the Project, and Dr. Amparo Rigor, Coordinator for Home Economics, University of the Philippines at Los Banos, who is an important key network person. The work of these and other home economics leaders in the Philippines was directly related to the country being classified in the 1977 AID Evaluation Report as an "emphasis" or Tier I country.

The significant events that have occurred since 1977 that are directly related to the contributions of these home economists have been:

- the establishment and coordination of a 12 member country advisory committee, as recommended by the AHEA Project strategy, to assist in the planning, advising and monitoring of Project proposals and activities in collaboration with local family planning/population organizations represented by committee members. Dr. Benjamin DeLeon, Director of The Population Commission accepted membership on the advisory committee in FY78. Various Ministry personnel also serve on the committee.
- the development and submission of a country five-year plan for programs that integrate family planning/population education concepts and activities in the work of home economists and related workers in formal and non-formal education systems.
- the development and submission of annual plans and proposals and the monitoring of subsequent Project funds and reports.
- the support of three major home economics groups to assist in the implementation of Project work through coordination of funding for Project training programs and activities.
 1. Philippine Home Economics Association (5,000 members)
 2. Council of Deans and Heads of Home Economics (150 members)
 3. Philippine Home Economics Extension Programs (1,500 members)

- the implementation of significant program review, and personnel outreach training through revised published materials in the Bureau of Agriculture Extension which should subsequently reach all members and auxiliary workers in number three above, with a multiplier impact on local families.

1. Persons Contacted:

Dr. Aurora Corpuz (AHEA/IFPP Coordinator), Dean of Home Economics, University of the Philippines
Dr. Amparo Rigor, Associate Professor, Institute of Human Ecology, University of the Philippines at Los Banos
Mr. Harold E. Haight, Chief, Population Officer, AID
Miss Zynia Riondo, Population Officer, Assistant for I.E.C. Programs, AID
Mrs. Diwata Baluyut, WID Officer, AID
Mrs. Remedios C. Decanay, Manager, Continuing Education Center, University of the Philippines at Los Banos
Mrs. Susan Exconde, Food Service Manager, U. of the Philippines at Los Banos
Mrs. Pacita Del Rosario, Assistant Food Service Manager, U. of the Philippines
Miss Luwalhati D. Yniquez, Food Service Worker, U. of the Philippines
Mrs. Dada R. Duque, Sales Manager, Philippine Plaza Hotel
Mr. Rafael A. Bauza, Creative Director, Mediaboutique Display Design Co.
Mr. Santa Ana, Consultant, Philippine Broadcasting System
Mrs. Flora Berino, Chief, Bureau of Agriculture Extension (BAEX)
Mrs. Rufena Anchetta, Assistant Chief, Bureau of Agriculture Extension
Mrs. Noreen McCormick, U.S. Consultant to Kansas State Agriculture Project
Mrs. Elena T. Bermudey, Home Economics Program Division, BAEX
Mrs. Serafia A. Lunuza, BAEX
Mr. Benjamin DeLeon, Director, The Population Commission (POPCOM)
Mrs. Maybelline F. Soriano, Senior Staff Assistant, Operations Department, Philippine International Convention Center
Professor Ofelia Angango, Sociology Department, College of Arts and Sciences, U. of the Philippines at Diliman
Mrs. Angelita Dizon, President, Philippines Home Economics Association.

2. An initial conference was held with population personnel at the AID Mission. A brief discussion ensued about the current status of the AHEA Project and the Philippine program by Brabble, Corpuz, Haight and later, Riondo.

In reference to the Annual Workplan for Philippines, which contained four proposals, Mr. Haight acknowledged that following a visit and discussion by Dr. Corpuz, he had contacted Mr. Villavicencio, Administrator of the National Economic Development Authority (NEDA) and was awaiting the response concerning the proposals. The baseline projects of AHEA being implemented in the Philippines fits into the AID community-based programs. Mr. Haight further acknowledged that the Project has his approval and the evidence of support was shown in the inclusion of the AHEA Project under IEC projects in the Mission Strategy Paper.

The question was posed by Brabble as to how the AHEA Project could better fit the Mission Strategy. Miss Riondo, Assistant to the Population Officer,

and has responsibility for IEC programs was summoned for the discussion. Since Miss Riondo had no opportunity for prior review of Project activities, the question was left wanting a direct response. It was suggested highly important at this time, to hold discussions and review of the Philippine proposals with the Population Commission (POPCOM) who has approval charge for all family planning/ population education for the nation and NEDA officials.

Miss Riondo accepted the responsibility for reviewing AHEA Project information and for setting a conference with either Mr. Benjamin deLeon, POPCOM Director and/or Mr. Josea Renowan, POPCOM Associate Director for IEC to discuss the role and substance of the AHEA Project as they relate to the Philippine Population Education program.

3. Mr. Haight further described discussions he had held with Mr. deLeon concerning centrally-funded projects. Mr. deLeon had stated that the work of POPCOM was multiplied by the number of organizations such as AID, UNFPA, FPIA, IFPP and other international donors and consequently required extensive time for review. A request was made for two copies of the field trip report, one to be retained by AID and the other to be submitted to the Population Commission. Copies of recent publications, LINK newsletter and Project brochure, "Integrated Home Economics Programs, An International Force for Families," were presented by the Project director.

4. Mr. Haight reported on discussions held with the Asia Regional Assistant Director, Miss Patchanee Natpracha during her November consultation to the BAEX training workshop. His office had received copies of the adapted Philippine version of the Working with Villagers kit, to be utilized in the training of 1,600 Home Management Technicians, who will impact on families. Follow-up activities for BAEX will be taking place in April.

5. Mr. Haight and Miss Riondo were further informed of the upcoming activities of the AHEA Project in tandem with the XIVth Congress of the International Federation for Home Economics to be held July, 1980 in Manila. No mission support will be required.

6. Dr. Corpuz has a very high commitment to the AHEA Project and is very effective in her role as country coordinator. The following items were confirmed in discussion:

- the AHEA Project approved the request of three Philippine participants to the Pre-Congress workshop at Los Banos. One representative will be chosen by each of the major home economics organizations, i.e., Philippines Home Economics Association, Philippine Home Economics Extension Program and the Council of Deans of Home Economics Programs.
- Dr. Corpuz is serving as AHEA Project Coordinator for Congress activities and will be the research panel narrator. Dr. Amparo Rigor is serving as the coordinator of the Pre-Congress workshop

activities at Los Banos.

- the Philippine Home Economics Association President and Committee are coordinating the overall logistics of the IFHE Congress as well as space arrangements for the AHEA Project activities.
- all shipments of integrated home economics materials for the PICC exhibit will be sent directly to Dr. Corpuz at the University of the Philippines and transported to PICC for the exhibit.
- Dr. Corpuz will reserve a suite at the Philippine Village Hotel for July 13 to serve as the point of assembly before transporting participants to Los Banos by bus.
- the Dean of the College of Forestry agreed to loan busses for transporting the participants to and from Los Banos and for the scheduled field visit. The Project will pay for gasoline and the driver.
- Project staff will arrive in Manila by July 9 to assist with finalizing logistics and mechanics for implementation of Project activities.
- Project exhibit will be assembled by Philippine Committee and AHEA Project staff on Saturday and Sunday, July 19 and 20, 1980.

7. Dr. Corpuz had scheduled an appointment at Los Banos to discuss arrangements for the Pre-Congress Workshop to be held July 13-19, 1980 at the Continuing Education Center of the University of the Philippines. Los Banos is approximately 75 kilometers (one hour drive) from Metro Manila. Mrs. Remedios C. Decaney is the manager of the Center. The discussions centered around the use of the facilities to accommodate the workshop participants:

- accommodations for forty (40) participants and staff for six (6) nights.
- additional facilities, i.e., auditorium, classrooms, lounges, work-rooms, etc. to be used for five days.
- food service arrangements beginning with Sunday night dinner to breakfast on Saturday morning. The Center will provide three meals and two snacks per day throughout the week.
- participants will be transported to and from the CEC facility by bus arriving on Sunday, July 13, and departing for Manila on Saturday, July 19.
- additional lodging and food service for observers may be made at their own cost.

Facilities and food services unit were inspected and arrangements were confirmed.

8. Discussions about the Project were held during a visit to the Bureau of Agriculture Extension. Several project activities have been carried out by this unit.

- Mrs. Elena T. Bermudez, who had been a trainee in the November Training of Trainers workshop gave an overview of the workshop citing the fact that it was quite effective in the participatory mode of training, as well as the component of making low cost visuals to be used in communication. She also communicated the very high enthusiasm of the participants and the appreciation of the invited participants of the Bureau of Agrarian Reform (BAR will have a training workshop as part of the 1980 plan). There will be held a fieldworker training workshop in which 5 HMTs from each of 75 provinces will be trained during the end of April.
 - Regarding the question of how BAEX could contribute to the upcoming Pre-Congress Workshop, it was suggested that Miss Honorata Velarde be the BAEX representative/resource person. Since Miss Velarde was not present a letter will be sent to her requesting her participation as a resource person as well as participant in the workshop.
 - It was requested by the Project Director that the new lessons that were developed out of the adaptation workshop be part of the scheduled BAEX report along with an analysis of the process specifying how the adaptation differed from the original. It was indicated that the new lessons would also be translated into eight local dialects.
 - Additional copies of the Philippine version of Working with Villagers were requested and received.
 - In answer to the question to Miss Berino about follow-up of AHEA Project activities, she indicated that there were several large Projects under way by other International agencies and an assessment would be needed for decisions on future activities.
 - Ms. McCormick was given a brief overview of the Project as she was not very familiar with the AHEA Project activities.
 - Project brochures and newsletters were distributed.
9. Discussions were held with Mrs. Angelita Dizon, President, Philippine Home Economics Association, concerning the committee of the PHEA responsible for AHEA Project activities. The total Congress plans were discussed in relation to the portion for which the Project would be responsible. The space reservation at the Philippine International Convention Center for the Project includes:
- exhibit space of approximately 3,500 square feet on the third level corridor leading to the secretariats (across from the meeting rooms).
 - one room to be used as the secretariat (workroom) for Project supply room and general use.
 - one meeting room for 300 persons for the Project research panel session for Thursday, July 24.

10. A visit to the Philippines International Convention Center confirmed the above arrangements. The space made available for Project activities proved satisfactory. The cost estimate for the facilities is to be sent to the AHEA headquarters by request of the Project Director.

11. Philippine Plaza Hotel

Person Interviewed: Mrs. Dada R. Duque, Sales Manager

- Discussion related to the total room assignment for the IFHE Congress concerning the 250 rooms already reserved, with an analysis of how the rooms were blocked among travel agents and other proponents of countries.

- AHEA Project Director reserved a block of ten (10) double rooms for Project staff and research panel participants. Contract for the rooms will be drawn up and arrangements for signing on February 24, 1980 at the conference rate of --

- single -- \$33.00 plus tax

- double -- \$38.00 plus tax

- Deposits to confirm the reservations must be made by June 17, 1980.

12. Mediaboutique-Display Design Firm

Person Interviewed: Mr. Rafael A. Bauza, Creative Director, and Mr. Fernando Boy, Assistant Director

- Discussion of plans for AHEA Project display to be part of PICC exhibit from July 19 to July 25. Estimates will be provided for the following specifications:

- (1) tubular metal framework for modules

- (2) panels for information content and photographs

- (3) additional panels to complete unit plus clamp spots for lighting

- (4) facia (headboard) for title display

- (5) coffin for packaging/shipping display unit

- (6) Mediaboutique will be responsible for providing the above as well as --

- text screening on panels with appropriate type selection

- photo enlargements (8-10)

- setting up display on site

- supplying printed directions for future use of display

- (7) AHEA will be responsible for providing

- text for panels

- negatives for photos (at least one month in advance)

- Display will be set up by Mediaboutique and Project staff on Saturday, July 19, 1980.

13. The Population Commission (POPCOM) is the major approval unit for all family planning/population activities in the Philippines. The umbrella organization for planning is the National Economic Development Authority (NEDA). The two organizations have the responsibility for coordinating government and non-government funded activities as these relate to the Philippine Development Plan. Discussions were held with Mr. Benjamin deLeon, Director of POPCOM about the proposals submitted by Dr. Corpuz for family planning integration activities through the various home economics and related units. Mr. deLeon was familiar with the Project activities as he has served on the Project advisory committee. He had not attended a recent meeting and needed to be briefed on the proposed activities. He saw no problem with the implementation of the proposed activities, but indicated that discussions would be held with administrators of NEDA to confirm.
14. Dr. Corpuz will follow up on the discussions and agreed in the future to provide a continuing dialogue with POPCOM and NEDA in relation to guidelines for future population programs.
15. An exit interview was made at the AID Mission prior to departure to brief Mr. Haight on the results of the week. Mrs. Angelita Dizon, President of the Philippines Home Economics Association accompanied the Project Director. Discussion centered around clearing up the gaps in communication relative to the process of getting country plans cleared through the appropriate agencies within the country. Suggested procedures to facilitate the approval process include:
 - submitting detailed copies of all proposals to the following four offices simultaneously:
 - American Home Economics Association
 - The Population Commission
 - National Economic Development Authority
 - AID Mission Population Office
 - Country Coordinator and advisory committees will be requested to revise submission date and have annual plans and detailed proposals to these offices by July or soonest

Reiteration of the fact that all actions regarding the upcoming AHEA Project input to International Federation for Home Economics Congress will be the responsibility of the AHEA Project with no responsibility by the Mission required.

Concerning shipments through AID Pouch, Mr. Haight suggested that its use might be for small items, but offered his AFO number as a medium for transferring items if the country contact person could arrange for pickup. The Project staff appreciates the cooperation of the AID Mission for any and all services rendered.

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E G Y P T R E P O R T

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EGYPT

February 25-March 2, 1980

1. The purpose of the visit to Egypt was to consult with Egyptian home economists as a follow up to (1) the Project regional workshop in Nairobi; (2) the consultation visit by DeClercq during 1979; (3) discuss the field testing of the Arabic version of Working with Villagers. This was the initial visit of the Project Director to Egypt.

2. Persons Contacted:

Mr. Thomas H. Reese, Chief Mission Officer, USAID
Miss Laura L. Slobey, Health and Population Officer, USAID
Mrs. Lila Stino, Project Coordinator, USAID
Mrs. Elweya Elwy, Regional FAO Specialist, Cairo
Mr. Ahmad Awad Slama, Director General, Extension Administration, Ministry of Agriculture
Mrs. Mahassen Khalifa, Coordinator, Ministry of Youth and Sports
Mr. Hussein Gamel Nazim, Deputy Minister, Ministry of Youth and Sports
Mr. Gamal Allam, Under Secretary, Supreme Council for Youth
Mrs. Zahia Marzouk, President, Institute for Training and Research in Family Planning, Alexandria (formerly Deputy Minister of Social Affairs)
Mrs. Salha Awad, Director, Institute for Training and Research in Family Planning, Alexandria
Dr. Tarick Aboul Dahah, Gynecologist, Representative, The Pathfinder Fund, Alexandria
Dr. Mounira Hegazy, Director, Maternal-Child Welfare, Alexandria
Dr. Moustafa H. El-Sammaa, Deputy Chairman, Population and Family Planning Board
Dr. Haifaa Shanawany, Researcher, Population and Family Planning Board
Dr. Doha El Gidaily, Professor, Helwan University
Mrs. Esmat Roshi, Clothing and Textiles, Helwan University
Dr. Insaf Nasr, Dean, College of Home Economics, Helwan University
Mr. Ahmad Awad Salama, Director, General Extension Administration, Ministry of Agriculture
Mrs. Fatma Kheir El-Din, General Supervisor, Extension Department, MOA
Mrs. Safeia Mohallel, Home Economist in Extension, Ministry of Agriculture
Mr. Henk E. VanDissell, Consultant, International Agriculture Center, P.O. Box 88 Wagerinrigen, Holland
Dr. Donald Bogue, Director, Community and Family Study Center, University of Chicago
Mr. Robert C. Higgins, Consultant, Social Development Center, Egyptian State Information Service
Ms. Lea Dunston, Public Health/Population Advisor, Near East Bureau, AID.

3. DeClercq and Brabble met with AID Mission personnel to discuss possible AHEA Project activities in Egypt. Following a brief overview of the Project with Miss Slobey and Mr. Reese, discussions centered around the key persons to be contacted in Cairo and Alexandria for sharing infor-

mation about proposing the initiation of Project activities. Miss Slobey was very helpful in this regard. She wrote out a list providing telephone numbers and addresses and indicated that she would try to set appointments. DeClercq had pre-scheduled appointments with several of these and other key contact people. We were informed that the Population and Family Planning Board coordinates family planning/population activities for the nation. However, the ultimate responsibility for family planning and population activities rests with the Supreme Council chaired by Dr. Bendari, Ministry of Health. Mrs. Sadat is a member of the Supreme Council.

4. Egypt has a population of 41 million with a growth rate of 2.9, birthrate of 3.9 and death rate is 11 per thousand. Other units involved in family planning are the Ministry of Social Affairs which receives support from intermediaries; the High Institute of Public Health which operates a field training site for follow-up of fieldworkers; the Ministry of Information; the Egyptian Family Planning Association, a private organization which receives funds from the International Planned Parenthood Federation (IPPF). All mass media activity is coordinated by the Egyptian State Information Service.
5. Slobey gave further information on the six components of the Mission projects --
 - contraceptive supplies
 - Ministry of Health Administration for the improvement of MOH capabilities
 - integrated social services delivery--working with Dr. Bendari
 - training programs
 - * High Institute of Public Health with Dr. Ahmed Cherbini
 - * El Palar Hospital--for training doctors, nurses, midwives
 - * Participant training for those going to the U.S.
 - I.E.C. State Information Service--Robert Higgins and Lila Stino
 - innovative activities -- population education workshops and other activities.

Slobey was very helpful in the assistance she offered which was very much appreciated.

6. Mr. Tom Reese explained that the Government of Egypt program is in the development stage. The Population and Development Project (PDP) is a community-based family planning project that is implemented through village councils. AID/Cairo is presently funding ten (10) village councils in El-Fayoum. Reese suggested that the AHEA Project could be ancillary to the PDP. Dr. El Fatah is the director. In response to the question of specific procedures in establishing AHEA Project activities in Egypt, Mr. Reese further described avenues which could be pursued to accomplish this. Another suggestion was to talk with Mrs. Amal of the Federation of Social Services. Mr. Reese also suggested that in his opinion the CEPPA Project and the AHEA Project needed to collaborate to offer a comprehensive program of theory and application. He saw no problem with the Project operating in Egypt. He asked to be kept informed of progress.

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Brabble reported that a copy of the trip report would be sent to his office.

7. Mrs. Elweya Elwy, FAO specialist for the Mid-East region is also President of the Egyptian Home Economics Association. A discussion was held concerning the participation of an Egyptian home economist in the Project's Pre-Congress workshop in Manila. From the suggestions offered by Mrs. Elwy, her recommendation was Dr. El Gidaily, recently returned from completing her studies in the U.S. Other candidates mentioned were Dr. Flora Isteero, Dr. Soad Emara who had been a participant in the Africa regional workshop and Professor Esmut Roushdi, who wrote one of the home economics books on nutrition, home management and child care and development. Dr. Soad Emara, Secretary for the EHEA is presently working in Saudi Arabia.

Mrs. Elwy further explained that Egyptian home economists had assumed a major role in family planning in a 1976 conference sponsored through UNFPA by FAO. A published booklet resulted from the conference. She also discussed several proposals that had been written for family planning activities but not funded. Elwy is interested in the AHEA Project being implemented in Egypt and recommended that it be initiated with faculty members in the colleges and universities. She indicated that home economists work in the following ministries although she could not have the data on numbers:

Ministry of Education
Ministry of Agriculture
Ministry of Social Welfare--an EHEA Board member--Kariman Anis
Ministry of Supply, Department of Consumer Education
Ministry of Health as dieticians in hospitals and the National Institute of Nutrition.

8. The FAO regional office will be moved from Cairo to Rome in June, 1980. Mrs. Elwy had concern over who would succeed her as President of the EHEA as she would be moving to Rome. Her successor should be selected by May so that there will be some continuity in the activities initiated by Mrs. Elwy. Brabble shared Project information and the Arabic translation of Working with Villagers which Elwy will receive from the AID office when the copies arrive by Pouch. A copy of the LINK newsletter and Project brochure were also given. Mrs. Elwy scheduled a meeting for introduction of the workshop nominee. A copy of the country assessment form was given to be filled out and sent back to headquarters. This information will be added to the country profile.
9. The home economists of the Ministry of Agriculture were assembled for discussion with DeClercq and Brabble in lieu of the appointment with the Minister of Agriculture. The appointment was rescheduled for Saturday morning. An overview of the Project was given in relation to the training program, the Arabic translation of Working with Villagers was shown, and copies of the Project newsletter and brochure were distributed. Among the home economists was Mrs. Mohallal, who had been a participant in the Africa regional workshop. Mrs. Mohallal agreed that she had been motivated by the training of the workshop but indicated that it was dif-

difficult for one person to instigate change in the unit. All of the home economists expressed interest in becoming involved in the AHEA Project and implored Brabble and DeClercq to speak with the administration in their behalf. There is a great need to utilize the talents of these home economists in a more constructive way.

10. Mrs. Mahassen Khalifa, who is employed in the Ministry of Youth and Sports had been the AID sponsored participant in the Project's Africa region workshop. As a result of the workshop, Mrs. Khalifa became highly motivated to develop a project for youth to be trained in home economics subjects. Apparently she had convinced her administrators, Mr. Hussein Gamal Nazim, Deputy Minister of Youth and Mr. Gamal Allam, Under Secretary of the Supreme Council for Youth, as they were very interested in the idea and wanted to learn more about how the AHEA Project and its training program. Mr. Hussein was very candid in terms of the elements he wanted to see in a project. His home village was stressed as the place where he was attempting to bring about desired change. It was agreed that there would be a joint meeting of the Ministry of Youth with the Ministry of Agriculture to work out the details for home economists to become involved in the implementation of a project with youth. Mrs. Khalifa would be the Ministry of Youth representative to develop the proposal. A meeting was scheduled for the following week.
11. A trip was made to Alexandria for the purpose of holding discussions about the Project with administrators of the Institute for Training and Research in Family Planning and the High Institute of Public Health. Because the work day ends in Egypt at 2:00 p.m., it was only possible to visit the ITRFP as the train journey consumed 2½ hours. On arrival, we were faced with the last of the CEFPA training program activities. The trainers in the program were Egyptian family planning workers the AHEA Project Director has met in Washington during one of CEFPA's training sessions. Dr. Hegazy had indeed returned to her home and replicated the CEFPA training course for local family planning service delivery personnel. Miss Blythe Tennet was the CEFPA consultant to the workshop. She indicated that her job was made easy as the trainers were very efficient in carrying out the program.

The Institute facility is a self contained unit with boarding and food service to accommodate 25-30 participants; contains a classroom, library and administrative offices. It is the family planning training center for the nation. It is also the office of the Egyptian Family Planning Association, a private family planning organization funded through the Ministry of Social Affairs and the International Planned Parenthood Federation. The EFPA has 23 branch associations in the governorates.

The purpose of the Institute is to train family planning service delivery personnel for the various units among which is the National Family Planning Board. Approximately 600 persons are trained yearly in twenty (20) training courses. The Ministry of Education had formerly sponsored a course on population education for teachers of home economics. Copies of materials that had been developed were shared.

Discussions were held with Mrs. Salha Amad, Director for the Institute, Mrs. Zahia Marzouk, President of the Egyptian Family Planning Association, (whom Brabble had met at a world conference in Manila during October, 1978) and Dr. Tarick Aboul Dahah, representative of the Pathfinder Fund about the AHEA Project. There was much interest in the Arabic Working with Villagers and a possible field testing of it in Egypt. The proposal for training home economist at the Institute was deemed possible if planned to fit the schedule of the Institute. The 1979 Annual Report was shared with Brabble and DeClercq. The consensus of the discussions was that each program had something to offer the other. Some future collaboration is expected.

12. Dr. Moustafa El Sammaa is the deputy chairman of the Population and Family Planning Board. He explained that the country is advancing in its thrust toward national family planning activities. He described the Population and Development Project which had been in a three year development phase and initially funded by UNFPA. The end of the agreement between Egypt and UNFPA is 1980.

The next phase of the revised project will expand to reach the entire country over the next five years. USAID will support this phase. The intent of the project has been to establish village councils, the smallest unit of organization and upgrade the abilities of officials and workers to effectively plan programs. An experimental project is currently operating in El Fayoum. The objective of the project is to institutionalize training on the level of the Kabai (village). This will be achieved through provokinh activity through grants or loans (seed money) to be repaid. Village banks will be supported by the governerates. There will be a system of horizontal and verticle coordination (hierarchal and on each level of government). He further explained that the Supreme Council approves all population policy; the National Family Planning Board is represented on the Council; there are regional committees headed by governors and ministers as representatives on the Council; his office serves as technical coordinator.

13. Dr. Sammaa was very interested in what the AHEA Project could offer. It is felt that home economists are under-used in relation to their training. The PDP has been carried out in 1800 villages in 20 governerates. The workers in the project have been trained in family planning; they need training in home economics. Dr. Haifaa Shanawany, researcher, agreed that the training component and materials of the Project could be very useful to the PDP. Training has been local by staff up til now and only in family planning. It was agreed that DeClercq would meet with Dr. Ahmed Abdul Fatah, PDP Director and Dr. Shanawany to discuss the development of a proposal for possible future collaboration. Dr. Sammaa shared a copy of the project proposal with Brabble. Copies of the Project brochure and newsletter were given.

14. Dr. Donald Bogue was in Cairo during the time of the Brabble visit. A dinner meeting was set up with Bogue, Mr. Robert Higgins, consultant to Egyptian State Information Service, DeClercq and Brabble. Dr. Bogue indicated that he was interested in writing an article and wanted information about the American Home Economics Association and the International

Federation for Home Economics. Information about Bogue's program and the AHEA Project was exchanged. Brabble's response to the question of whether home economists in the AHEA Project would deliver contraceptives was positive.

15. Dr. Afaf El Gidaily, nominee to the AHEA Project workshop in Manila and Mrs. Esmel Roshdi, author of a home economics textbook were met at the home of Mrs. Elweya Elwy, President of EHEA. Discussions centered around the coming events of the IFHE Congress and AHEA activities. Dr. El Gidaily is recently returned from the U.S. where she completed her Ph.D. degree. She is a young, energetic and bright individual--a potential leader. She provided biographical data and was given Project information and materials.
16. The discussions with Mr. Ahmad Awad Salama, Director General for Extension Administration, Ministry of Agriculture, brought agreement on the proposal of a joint project with the Ministry of Youth and Sports. Mrs. Awad had invited a Dutch visiting consultant, Mr. Henk Van Dissell, who had been doing research in the villages, to sit in on the meeting. He was introduced as a specialist in home economics, with the potential for setting up an agriculture project in Egypt. The dialogue exposed differing views and different approaches to the problem. Following a rather lengthy overview of the Project and the Arabic materials shown, Mr. Awad agreed that the AHEA Project held great potential for the type of projects he wanted to see carried out. Mrs. Kheir El Din, Supervisor of extension workers was directed to assist in the setting up of a meeting to develop a plan for involving the AHEA Project and requested that Brabble or DeClercq represent the Project. Mrs. Mohallel, a participant in the AHEA Project regional workshop in Nairobi was in attendance during the meeting and through her discussion, convinced the Director of the willingness of home economists to be retrained for rural development work.

DeClercq was instrumental in convincing Mr. Awad, in spite of the opposition of Mr. Van Dissell. Her education and training had been in the same program as Mohallel. The following points were made:

- home economics extension workers number about 100 at the district and regional levels
- currently, the village extension workers are men
- a national directive is promoting projects for rural development to reach all governorates and villages
- training centers will be established to develop a core of trainers
- family planning workers will be given home economics training and home economics extension workers will be given family planning training
- the integrated AHEA Project materials in Arabic will be useful as the bases for the training
- the extension workers must be trained in the participatory approach how to work with the rural people at their level.

The meeting ended with the agreement that DeClercq would remain in Cairo to participate in a meeting of five governorates scheduled for March 5.

17. A visit was made to the College of Home Economics, Helwan University to meet with Dr. Ensaf Nasr, Dean, to discuss the Project. Dr. El Gidaily was in attendance. The greatest need currently is the revision of the curriculum. Three experts from the U.S. in the fields of nutrition, child development and textiles and clothing will arrive in April to work with the College. Dr. Nasr was impressed by the results of the AHEA Project for potentially incorporating the training in the program of students. There are no materials available in Egypt that integrate family planning into home economics subject matter. A copy of the Arabic Working with Villagers will be sent from AID and multiple copies will be sent from headquarters. DeClercq will be directed to follow up and collaborate with the college on future projects. Project brochure and LINK newsletters were distributed.

S U D A N R E P O R T

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SUDAN

March 2 - 6, 1980

1. The purpose of the Sudan consultation was as a follow-up of the participants to the regional workshop in Nairobi; to discuss with the responsible parties the proposal for a Sudan training project and to discuss with other country leaders and USAID Mission officers the goals and objectives of the Project and strategies for future development of programs in Sudan.

2. Persons Contacted:

Mr. Jim Holtaway, USAID Office
Miss Michelle Foster, USAID Office
Mrs. Amna Farah, Home Economics Extension, Shambat Institute
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2. National Unity Day was being observed in Sudan on Monday, March 3 and consequently all business offices and schools were closed. However, a revised flight schedule permitted an additional day in the country.
4. During the visit to the AID Mission, Mr. Jim Holtaway and Miss Michelle Foster described the Mission program for Sudan. USAID had only resumed activity in Sudan since 1976 when the new regime came into power. The first year (1978) was five million dollars. Separate strategies had to be developed for the southern and western regions as they were the most deprived. The general themes of the portfolio projects have been
 1. agricultural development with emphasis on integrated rural projects
 2. primary health care systems especially in rural areas

3. education and human resources for agricultural manpower training of personnel; World Education has an OPG for literacy training.

There is no family planning policy in the country. Currently, there are research studies being carried out on fertility and fertility control.

5. An overview of the AHEA Project was given and the Arabic Working with Villagers shown. Holtaway saw no problem with implementation of the AHEA Project in Sudan and offered suggestions of several key persons to contact:

- a. Mrs. Mary Bassioui, wife of the Minister of Agriculture at Yambio Institute
- b. Dean at Afad College for Women at Omdurman.

AID had recently funded a women in development symposium. A World Education extension specialist, Edith Thatcher was currently in the country to implement a project that had been proposed two years back. The present climate in the country was positive toward projects that will assist in rapid development, especially in the rural areas.

6. A schedule of activities had been arranged by Mrs. Amna Farah, a participant to the Project regional workshop in Nairobi. Mrs. Farah is head of the home economics extension program at Shambat Institute and had submitted a proposal for a training program for students at the Institute. Materials had been sent through AID pouch which had not arrived. Discussions revealed that the project had to be postponed because students were in the exam period. Mrs. Farah was asked to revise the proposal so that the first project would establish a training program for experienced workers in the field as a core of country trainers who could then implement training at the various levels. It was concluded that the proposed project could not be implemented until the beginning of the new school year as students would be returning to their homes following final examinations. In the interim Mrs. Farah will revise the proposal and contact the home economists to do the adaptation of the Arabic version of Working with Villagers.

It was agreed that the participant to the Pre-Congress Workshop in Manila would be Mr. Youssif Ahmed Ali, who is the head of Extension Home Economics for the College of Agricultural Studies. Mr. Ali had assisted Mrs. Amna Farah in the development of the Project proposal to train students in the integrated approach in home economics.

7. Discussions were held with Dr. Saïd Dirdiri of the Khartoum Polytechnic Institute about the AHEA Project. He agreed that there exist a need for AHEA Project-related programs, but it was necessary to emphasize the indirect or "soft sell" approach based on the culture. Dr. Dirdiri was assured that the AHEA Project would assist the home economics leaders in developing and implementing project activities that meet the specific needs of the country.

8. During a visit to the University of Khartoum, interviews were held with Dr. Badri, Dr. Rahman, Dr. Zumrawi, Mrs. Humphrey and Mrs. Farah. Dr. Zumrawi, a participant in the Africa regional workshop on Evaluation and Research had submitted a research proposal for funding by the AHEA Project. Several hours were spent analyzing and revising the content of the proposal for more specific information. It was agreed that the two phase approach to attacking the problem of malnutrition as a priority, depended on the training of a core of workers (students) to deliver integrated nutrition and family planning information, with the second phase activities related to collecting clinical data and giving educational counseling to pregnant women in clinics. Dr. Zumrawri will complete the revisions of the proposal and send it to Washington.

The discussions with Dr. Badri and Dr. Rahman provided insights into University programming, especially in teacher education where Project activities could be integrated. Support for the program was acknowledged.

It can be concluded that the consultations provided on-site information that is essential for implementing Project activities. More time was needed for assisting country leaders in developing content for their proposals and for future planning. It will be essential to provide more technical assistance in program development and in the forming of a home economics association which is the intent in the future.