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Attached is End-of-Tour report for the subject employee, who is departing post May 29 for mid-tour transfer to Viet Nam.

The report covers the period November 4, 1962 - May 15, 1964.

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END-OF-TOUR REPORT

Edgar N. Langley, Extension Advisor Area
(Period Covered - Nov. 6, 1962 - May 15, 1964)

1. General Objectives and Specific Goals of Assigned Duties

General objectives include analysis and review of host country programs for agricultural development, preparation and review of project implementation documents, project monitoring and evaluation, and technical guidance, advice and assistance to cooperating host country agencies in Northeast Brazil, with particular attention to educational aspects.

Specific goals include establishing projects and activities designed to: (a) improve resident instruction and research in agricultural universities; (b) establish closer relationships among agricultural extension, research and educational institutions; and (c) strengthen interchange of scientific knowledge among educational, industrial, research and commercial institutions which are active in agricultural development.

These specific goals, when attained, provide the vehicle for accomplishing the program goals of additional supply of trained agricultural technicians for agricultural research, extension and related educational programs designed to reach the rural farm population with practical training.

2. Activities

Activities have been largely restricted to those of a negotiating and documenting nature with particular attention to discussing project proposals with the regional Northeast Brazil planning agency responsible for approving all economic and social development programs.

Activities also included observation and evaluation of existing agricultural programs, with emphasis on extension, vocational-type agricultural education and university-level education in agriculture.

3. Favorable and Unfavorable Factors

Host country planning and programming for agricultural development activities in Northeast Brazil have suffered periods of extreme delay and, during most of the period covered by this report, have been unsympathetic to projects for which the technician was assigned to assist.

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The separate agencies and institutions with which cooperative projects were anticipated have been most helpful and persistent in seeking understanding and approval for projects of mutual interest. Their efforts, prompted by conviction, were largely responsible for securing final host country approval for the two activities directly relating to agricultural education and which were the responsibility of this technician.

4. Evaluation of Results

Of the two projects approved which were in the writer's sphere of responsibility, only one has actually been activated. This is the project designed to strengthen and expand resident instruction and research at the Agricultural College of the University of Ceara. Five U.S. contract technicians have arrived and are in the process of preparing a work plan for the initial year of a two-year contract period.

Initial relations between the host country university technicians and the U.S. university technicians appear to be excellent. Cooperative effort and dedication are obvious to the casual observer.

5. Recommendations for the Future

It is highly desirable that agricultural and veterinary colleges, as well as agricultural research and extension, in other states of northeast Brazil be supported and assisted by university contract projects.

This technician recommends that the activities outlined in FY-64 CAP for Agricultural Education in Brazil be approved as scheduled and possibly be expanded to include additional activities in secondary vocational education in agricultural and animal sciences.