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**EMERGENCY AGRICULTURE RELIEF PROJECT
JILIB AND BUALLE DISTRICTS
SOMALIA**

MID-TERM/QUARTERLY REPORT

1 APRIL - 30 JUNE 1993

for

**THE UNITED STATES AGENCY
FOR INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT**

GRANT NO. 968-1032-G-00-3035-00

**WORLD CONCERN
DEVELOPMENT ORGANIZATION
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AUGUST, 1993

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MID-TERM/QUARTERLY PROGRESS REPORT

Reporting Period: From April 1, 1993 to June 30, 1993

SECTION I. GENERAL REFERENCE SECTION:

- A. Name of Organization: World Concern Development Organization
- B. Title of Project: Emergency Agriculture Relief Project for Jilib and Bualle
- C. Project Area: Somalia
- D. AID Agreement No.: 968-1032-G-00-3035-00
- E. Amount of AID Agreement: \$ 233,650
- F. Total Value of Project: \$ 233,650
- G. Date of Last Report: March 30, 1993
- H. Date of This Report: August 11, 1993

SECTION II. EXPENDITURES/FINANCIAL SECTION:

- A. Amount of AID Agreement: \$ 233,650
 - 1. Funds Received to Date: \$ 160,289
 - 2. Expenditures to Date: \$ 160,289
 - 3. Balance Due Under Agreement: \$ 73,361
- B. Amount of Other (non-USAID) Resources:
 - 1. Total Cash Input to Date: \$ 23,780
 - 2. Total Value of Commodities/ Services to Date: \$ 157,728

SECTION III. OVERALL STATUS OF PROJECT:

SUMMARY

Distribution for seeds, tools and food has been accomplished in all villages in the Jilib District and Southern Bualle District.

Ninety known villages and thirty-three areas (where people have moved but are not attached to a village), and thirteen villages in Bualle District have received on issue of tools, two issues of seeds, and in most cases three or more issues of food.

SECTION IV. PROGRAM ACCOMPLISHMENTS

PURPOSE: Reduce outside food dependence and provide a foundation for long-term agricultural stability.

KEY OBJECTIVE: Provide emergency agricultural inputs to 52,000 families of the Bualle and Jilib districts in a timely and culturally appropriate manner.

SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES:

1. The equitable distribution of seeds and tools utilizing the traditional elder system.

ACCOMPLISHED

Initially the food level of the villages was very limited. In many cases the residents were reduced to eating grass, grass seed, and water lily seeds. To insure that the seeds were not consumed as food, an issue of food of a one month supply per family preceded the seed issue. The issues were made directly to each village with the assistance of a village elder or head man. This assured fair and equitable distribution. Heavy pressure was put on World Concern Staff to distribute through District Elders and various political organizations. In some instances, Somali staff was removed from the area for periods of time and decisions were rendered by International (expatriate) staff. District elders and various political leaders were invited to accompany and assist with the distribution and several did. As it became apparent that this method of distribution would not be altered by World Concern, the district leaders began to support and assist with the distribution. We now enjoy strong support from Jilib District Elders and various political groups and our Somali staff are well accepted in the villages.

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This method continues for the distribution of food, seeds and tools.

Bob Phipps, Agriculturalist, reported in a May 17, 1993 Situation Report: "The elders from 11 villages up in the Jilib area came to him and thanked him for the work that World Concern was doing in their areas. They wanted to reassure Bob that the resources given to them had been properly used and invited him to come and check out their crops any time he would like to do so. This exchange was especially meaningful for two reasons: this kind of thing is a very rare happening and the 'police' had been making false accusations about us (WC) feeding 'empty villages'."

2. Reduce the need for food distribution by 15% at the first harvest and by 25% at the second harvest.

ACCOMPLISHED

The agriculturist estimates that more than 15,000 acres of maize and vegetables have been planted and are close to harvest. An evaluation and accurate count on the actual acreage under cultivation as the result of seed distribution is under way and will probably take three months. Early results show an excellent crop and several villages report that they may need no further assistance or limited assistance in the future. At this point, it is very encouraging.

3. Provide for the production of seeds for succeeding plantings.

ACCOMPLISHED

See No. 2 above

4. Provide seeds and tools to each of the 50,000 families that requests and require them.

NOT ACCOMPLISHED

The project for 52,000 families included the resettlement of 25,000 families into the Jilib and Bualle Districts. Of that 25,000 families, less than 2,000 were relocated to the Bualle District before security problems precluded further relocation.

Additionally, the total population was overestimated.

ACCOMPLISHED

Ninety known villages and thirty-three farm areas (where people have moved but are attached to a village), and thirteen

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villages in Bualle District have received one issue of tools, two issues of seeds, and in most cases three or more issues of food.

- a. *Distribution of seeds and tools has been accomplished in ninety villages and thirty farm areas of Jilib District and thirteen villages of Bualle District.*
- b. *The following amounts of seed and tools were distributed during the reporting period:*

92.7	MT	-	maize
9.9	MT	-	sesame
24.45	MT	-	sorghum
43.75	MT	-	cow peas
47,000	pkts	-	vegetable seeds
21,160	each	-	tools for farming

Total families reached in Jilib District is 18,997 and 112,000 people.

Total families reached Bualle District is 436 and 2,600 people.

Total families reached in the program is 19,103 and 114,600 people.

- 5. Provided the resources necessary to sustain 2,000 resettled families in April, 1993.

ACCOMPLISHED

The following is an excerpt from a Bualle Resettlement Report, April 6-10, 1993. "Twenty-three villages were registered. Meetings were held with many Bualle elders, and it was decided that each village would come to Bualle Warehouse to receive the seed designated to their village. This decision was made by Sandy as there was a shortage of fuel for the vehicles. The seed was divided according to the total number of families in the 23 villages. Each family received the same amount of seed. On April 8 and 9, the seed was distributed. Those people who were resettled in Bualle remained in Bualle for several days, and then returned to their villages. Food was given to these families: 55 bags of sorghum, 1 bag of Unimix, 2 bags of milk, and 2 boxes of biscuits. Seed was given as well as 4 bags each of sesame, cow peas, sorghum, and maize. UNICEF distributed medicines to the CHW's in the villages - "

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6. Provided the resources necessary to sustain 23,000 resettled families in May through October, 1993.

NOT ACCOMPLISHED

Resettlement to Bualle was called to a halt because Bualle elders decided that World Concern had not provided enough for them. It was pointed out that all promises were kept but never-the-less, the Bualle Elders said more had to be brought and other agencies should be brought in to help. It became too perilous for World Concern workers to return to Bualle.

ACCOMPLISHED

A key component of the agricultural work has been the rebuilding of roads, dikes and levies. This was essential to "sustaining" agriculture in the valley. Much energy was turned to this area when resettlement was stopped. Roads were cut as necessary to insure delivery of agricultural supplies and food.

SECTION VI. PROBLEMS ENCOUNTERED/REQUIRED ACTION

PROBLEM

Insecurity in the Bualle District caused the relocation of families, distribution of food and distribution of seeds and tools to be stopped in mid-April. Threats of violence against expatriate personnel and the dislocation of certain Somali forces into the area caused the insecurity.

REQUIRED ACTION

Under the protection of Belgium, UNOSOM forces, food, seeds and tools continue to be distributed to the southern most villages of the Bualle District.

PROBLEM

Heavy rains and the swollen Jubba River cut off access to several villages.

REQUIRED ACTION

Agricultural seeds and relief supplies were loaded on styrofoam rafts and the villages accessed by river.

PROBLEM

In many areas the rain swollen Jubba River washed out banks and flooded thousands of acres of agricultural land.

REQUIRED ACTION

As the river receded and land dried up, re-seeding was and is still being issued as seeds became available on the market. Plans are being made to rebuild the river banks damaged by the flood with Food-for-Work (FFW) programs.

PROBLEM

Rats. As maize was sprouting in the soil, rats in large numbers would dig out the seed at night. As the mature corn became ready for harvest, rats climbed the stalks and ate the ripe maize.

REQUIRED ACTION

An anticoagulant rat bait was purchased in Nairobi with assistance from CRWRC and the Belgium Air Force. Distribution was started the second week of July and is still going on. The agriculturist estimates that ten tons of rat bait may be necessary to eliminate or reduce the rat population to a manageable level.

PROBLEM

Tools acquired through ICRC were very delayed in arriving. They were not available in the Jilib area until after mid-April.

REQUIRED ACTION

Tools that were available to be acquired locally were used in the March and April distribution.

PROBLEM

Serious problems with the seeds were also encountered. Bob Phipps performed seed germination tests and got the following results:

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| 1. | maize | 54% |
| 2. | cow peas | 67% |
| 3. | sesame | 77% |

REQUIRED ACTION

The amount of seeds distributed was increased according to the advice of the agriculturist. In particular, the maize distribution was doubled to get any reasonable kind of crop. Other seeds distributed were increased accordingly.

SECTION VII. PROSPECTIVE ACTIVITIES FOR NEXT REPORTING PERIOD

Food-for-Work programs will continue with dike building, dike repair and road cleaning and repair.

The agriculturalist monitors villages daily. New arrivals will receive food, tools and seeds. As many as 100 families have shown up in Jilib Town in one day. An August survey by UNOSOM may shed light on exactly how many more will return. The estimate by UNICEF for returnees to the Jubba Valley in 1993 is 60,000 families.

SECTION VIII. NON-USAID CONTRIBUTIONS

See Appendix A

SECTION IX. BUDGET ANALYSIS

See Appendix B

APPENDICES

APPENDIX A
NON-USAID CONTRIBUTIONS

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I. Technical Assistance	Totals in U.S.D.	OFDA	WC	CRWRC	ICRC	UNICEF	BELGIUM	UNOSOM
Expatriate Personnel								
Somalia Staff (Kismayo, Jilib, Bualle)	6205	205		6000				
Short Term Technical Assistance	2000			2000				
Per Diem (\$20/day)	116	116						
International Travel	2750	0	0	2750				
Housing Nairobi/Somalia	4000	0	4000					
Sub Total Expatriate Personnel	15071	321	4000	10750	0	0	0	0
National personnel								
Nairobi Staff - 3	800		800					
Program Administration	150	150						
Distribution Team	153	153						
Monitoring Team	240	240						
Porters	7285	7233				52		
Per Diem Local Travel	976	976						
Sub Total National Personnel	9604	8752	800	0	0	52	0	0
Total Technical Assistance								
II. Commodities								
OFDA WC CRWRC ICRC UNICEF BELGIUM UNOSOM								
Agriculture								
Seeds	167603	79932			87671			
Tools	69813	21313		8000	40500			
Transport to Somalia	17169	13344					3825	
Transport in Somalia	7586	6586					1000	
Storage	168	68				100		
Total Agriculture	262339	121243	0	8000	128171	100	4825	0

III. Training

IV. Other

Administrative									
NBI Supervision/Accounting	1030			1030					
Equipment/Vehicle	0								
Communications NBI/Somalia	0								
Supplies	0								
Evaluation & Reporting NBI	0								
Annual Audits	0								
Rent/Utilities	0								
Travel	0								
Staff Training	0								
Total Other	1030		0	1030	0	0	0	0	0
DIRECT PROJECT COSTS PHASE I	288044		130316	5830	16750	128171	152	4825	0

TOTAL PROJECT COSTS =

288044

APPENDIX B
BUDGET ANALYSIS

WORLD CONCERN - AFRICA
 OFDA AGRICULTURAL PROJECT EXPENDITURES
 9-Aug-93

		(USD)						
A/C NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	TOTAL BUDGET AMOUNT	ACTUAL MAR	ACTUAL APR	ACTUAL MAY	ACTUAL JUNE	YTD TOTAL AMOUNT	BUDGET REMAIN
OFDA								
28-01-415-853-100	OFDA PROJECT ADMINISTRATOR	2,924				205	205	2,719
28-01-415-853-101	OFDA-PROGRAM ADMINISTRATOR	1,448		150			150	1,298
28-01-415-853-102	OFDA DISTRIBUTORS	550		48	105		153	407
28-01-415-853-103	OFDA MONITORS	3,577			240		240	3,337
28-01-415-853-104	OFDA PORTERS	5,280		4,027	1,839	1,367	7,233	-1,953
28-01-415-853-105	OFDA EXPATRIATE PER DIEM	4,600			116		116	4,484
28-01-415-853-106	OFDA NAT. STAFF PER DIEM	3,750		529	66	381	976	2,774
28-01-415-853-200	OFDA SEEDS	76,220	79,789		143		79,932	-3,712
28-01-415-853-201	OFDA TOOLS	62,500		10,773	10,429	111	21,313	41,187
28-01-415-853-202	OFDA SEED TRANSPORT-TO	10,000		13,344			13,344	-3,344
28-01-415-853-203	OFDA SEED TRANSPORT-WITHIN	17,500		3,482		3,104	6,586	10,914
28-01-415-853-204	OFDA SEED STORAGE	1,500		68			68	1,532
TOTAL DIRECT PROJECT COSTS		189,959	79,789	32,421	12,938	5,168	130,316	59,643
INDIRECT COSTS (23%)		42,691	18,351	7,457	2,975	1,189	29,973	13,718
TOTAL		233,650	98,140	39,878	15,914	6,357	160,289	73,361

NOTE: Upon analysis of accounts at year end (6/30/93) we discovered that many Agriculture expenditures were incorrectly posted to our resettlement accounts. We are presently working on a journal entry to reclass these expenditures into the OFDA accounts. Estimated adjustment is \$20,000.

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APPENDIX C
ACTUAL UNIT COSTS VS BUDGETED COSTS

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IX. ACTUAL UNIT COSTS VS BUDGETED COSTS.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Source</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Item</u>	<u>Unit Cost</u>	<u>Total</u>
3-26	Nairobi	6734	Hot grn Pepper, 10g	\$ 0.29	\$1952.86
		6734	Sweet Pepper, 10g	\$ 0.40	\$2693.60
3-30	Nairobi	30,000	Tomatoe Pkts	\$ 0.53	\$15,900.00
		28,000	Pumpkin Pkts	\$ 0.42	\$11,760.00
		33 MT	Cow peas	\$ 800.	\$26,400.00
		5000	Pangas	\$1.65	\$ 8,250.00
		30000	Wtr Melon, 10g	\$ 0.43	\$12,900.00
		6734	Onion, red, 10g	\$ 0.68	<u>\$ 4,579.12</u>
					\$84,436.58

Re-classify Pangas as tools not as seeds.*

-\$8,250.00

Total Seed Expense \$76,185.00

Total Seed Budget \$76,220.00

Net Seed Expense \$ 35.00

* Note that pangas were classified as seeds in actual expense statement. This amount will be reclassified to tools in August.

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August 23, 1993

PPC/CDIE/DI
Agency for International Development
320 - 21st Street NW
Washington, D.C. 20523-1802

Re: 968-1032-G-00-3035-00, Emergency Agriculture Relief Project
for Jilib and Bualle Districts, Somalia

Dear Sir/Madame:

Enclosed please find two copies of the quarterly report for the
above mentioned grant. This report covers the period April 1, 1993
through June 30, 1993.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call me at
(206) 546-7310.

Sincerely,


Tex Lanier
Executive Director

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Enclosure