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## SUMMARY OF PROGRESS

■ Ninety Procurement Requests valued at \$1,789,549 were processed, \$2,108,942 in Purchase Contracts were issued, and there were \$1,881,597 worth of commodities and equipment received and issued to contractors. \$7,350 in savings were realized by timing procurements to coincide with the Autumn harvest in order to take advantage of the principle of "supply and demand" to negotiate a reduction in prices. With these savings RONCO was able to procure an additional 20 percent of emergency foodstuffs.

■ RONCO's FY 93 Procurement Plan was approved by O/AID/Rep with the proviso that, whenever possible, RONCO obtain required items from existing surplus equipment from other projects for which RONCO is currently the custodian.

■ O/AID/Rep directed RONCO to issue a termination notice for the telecommunication contract on 12 October. The contractor, ASTRO Systems, Inc., has yet to submit their settlement claim. Section 52.2492(d) of the FAR permits the contractor up to one year from the effective date of the termination to submit a claim.

■ RONCO received and processed 2 DoD Afghan Relief Flights (ARF) and 7 commercial air shipments through the Islamabad dry port. There were 4 commercial surface shipments and 1 DoD surface shipment from Germany received and processed through the wet port at Karachi. The ARF's were both C-5 aircraft containing a total of 70 pallets of clothing, medical supplies and tents.

■ The COP travelled to Germany in early October 1992 to coordinate the shipment of the above DoD surface shipment. The Transportation/Logistics Officer travelled to Germany in November 1992 and made arrangements for a second DoD shipment which is currently on the high seas en route to Pakistan from the port of Antwerp.

■ Warehousing operations expanded significantly during the quarter. RONCO was instructed to assume responsibility for stocks in place from other projects and receive and store excess property from projects being phased out. Currently 2,500 MT of foodstuffs are stored in Pakistan along with 67,000 items from other projects; 3,500 MT of wheat, wheat seed, and fertilizer are stored in Afghanistan. RONCO now conducts warehouse operations in 17 locations (5-Peshawar, 1-Kabul, 1-Jalalabad, 4-Quetta, 3-Chaman, 2-Islamabad, and arrangements have been made with WFP to share a warehouse in Kandahar). A computerized inventory of all stocks is maintained and there was frequent coordination with the EXO regarding the status and disposition of other project's equipment.

■ RONCO/Q was finally able to obtain the release of the balance of 2,051 MT of PL-480 Wheat from the GOP and as of the end of the quarter, had it under RONCO control. O/AID/Rep agreed that RONCO should transfer 1,000 MT to the Kandahar warehouse shared with the WFP. Arrangements were made with a UNILOG registered transport contractor to load the wheat and transport it to Kandahar during the period of 22-29 December.

■ The Balochistan Home Secretary has refused to issue road permits for foodstuffs procured in Pakistan to be transported into Afghanistan. Their position is that a GOP No Objection Certificate must be obtained prior to the issuance of road permits. Items procured off-shore are not a problem nor are shipments out of Peshawar. In December locally procured foodstuffs were provided the Governor of Kandahar Province with the proviso that he obtain the road permits; he was successful, but had to make at least one trip to Islamabad. This is an issue which probably will have to be pursued by AID with the GOP.

■ 383 tents received from DoD on one of the ARF's were individually inspected, stenciled with the USAID logo, and provided to UNHCR in Jalalabad.

■ The total number of mine detection dogs (MDD's) increased to 83 of a planned 100 dogs. At one point, 61 MDD's, 135 staff members and 32 vehicles were deployed out of the base camps in Pabbi and Quetta to work with the various cooperating demining agencies inside Afghanistan. MDD teams conducted operations in eleven provinces: Farah, Ghazni, Helmand, Kabul, Kandahar, Laghman, Logar, Ningarhar, Nimroz, Paktia and Zabul. 1,053 anti-personnel mines and 42 anti-tank mines were detected and destroyed, 18,078 unexploded ordnance and fragments were discovered and determined to be safe, and significant areas within the area of operations were declared clear or marked with warnings of mines.

■ Technical assistance to the MDC and preparation for the MDC transition to the United Nations continued. RONCO prepared the Terms of Reference for a twelve month joint evaluation of the transition process to be conducted by O/AID/Rep and UNOCA. The evaluation will begin early in the second quarter. Keeping in mind that RONCO has overall fiscal responsibility for administering AID funds for the MDC, the transfer of financial responsibility continued with the transfer of all TA accounts to the MDC/P. The MDC/P now maintains its own personnel records. ✓

COMPONENT #1. PROCUREMENT.

1. *Introduction.* RONCO processed ninety Procurement Requests valued at \$1,789,549, issued \$2,108,942 in Purchase Contracts, and \$1,881,597 worth of commodities and equipment were received and issued to contractors. Outstanding Procurement Requests from the third and fourth quarters of FY 92 and their respective Purchase Contracts are in process.

2. *Progress to Date.* The following is a synopsis of the more significant procurement activities that occurred during the quarter.

a. This chart summarizes RONCO procurement activity for the first quarter of FY 1993:

PROJECT	PROCUREMENT REQUEST	LINE ITEM	VALUE \$	CONTRACT ISSUED	VALUE \$	AMOUNT RECEIVED
1-CEP	67	213	1,658,645	67	1,889,959	617,337
2-MDC	11	66	55,527	20	46,155	135,951
3-CCSC	6	7	3,487	8	5,515	226,893
4-MSH	5	62	71,810	14	38,176	280,306
5-UNO/MOE	1	1	80	2	37,581	75,051
6-APSAB	-	-	-	2	3,800	515,302
7-IRC	-	-	-	1	87,756	30,757
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>349</b>	<b>1,789,549</b>	<b>114</b>	<b>2,108,942</b>	<b>1,881,597</b>

- 1 - Commodity Export Program
- 2 - Mine Dog Center
- 3 - Construction Control Service Corporation
- 4 - Management Services for Health
- 5 - University of Nebraska at Omaha/Ministry of Education
- 6 - Afghanistan Private Sector Agricultural Business - DAI
- 7 - International Rescue Committee

b. *Emergency Food Commodities.* On 28 September O/AID/Rep authorized continuing with the procurement of the following food commodities with \$340,075 remaining from the May \$800,000 emergency procurement authorization and the second \$800,000 emergency procurement authorization received in August (\$268,825 allocated for the procurement of ghee was subsequently placed on hold due to the difficulty in obtaining approval to move this commodity across the border).

Rice, IRRI-6. . . . .	625 MT
Chickling Seed (Whole Moong). .	300 MT
Salt. . . . .	50 MT

RONCO called for price quotations in early October in an effort to time the procurement with the Autumn harvest and take advantage of lower prices due to increased supplies. Strong competition among suppliers and bumper crops in the marketplace enabled RONCO to receive very competitive prices, lower than anticipated. The lower prices enabled RONCO to procure 20 percent more than the originally estimated quantity. The total amounts ordered were as follows:

Rice, IRRI-6. . . . .	750 MT
Chickling Seed (Whole Moong). .	350 MT
Salt. . . . .	60 MT

c. 1,000 MT of Wheat Seed. In mid October DAI asked RONCO to deliver 1,000 MT of wheat seed to Peshawar on an urgent basis because DAI had arranged with Afghan traders to transport the seed to Afghanistan. RONCO coordinated the delivery with Pioneer Pakistan Seeds, which completed the delivery in the last week of October. Representatives from RONCO and DAI witnessed the cleaning and loading of the trucks and fumigation of the tarpaulins at Pioneer's Sahiwal warehouse. DAI accepted the seed upon receipt in Peshawar.

d. 100,000 Woollen Blankets. RONCO/W issued an Invitation for Bid (IFB) on 4 November for the procurement of 50,000 blankets from the United States. This IFB was published in the USAID Bulletin and Commerce Business Daily with 4 January 1993 as the last date for receipt of bids. Because of the immediate need for blankets, it was decided to procure an additional 50,000 blankets locally from funds that became available after the cancellation of a planned tent procurement (tents became available through DoD). RONCO began to solicit prices from Pakistani manufacturers late in the quarter.

e. Threshers and Tractors. DAI accepted the eighteen threshers with specially fabricated power take off (PTO) shafts that were delivered by the manufacturer and the fifteen tractors supplied by Millat Tractors.

f. Refunds. On DAI's behalf, RONCO returned sixteen small diesel engines which had been procured to power the above threshers but proved to be underpowered, to the supplier, Lucky Machinery. After negotiations with the supplier and minor adjustments to the engines, a reimbursement of Rs. 220,400 was obtained. This amount was deposited in DAI's account which is operated by RONCO.

g. Savings. As a result of negotiations with potential suppliers during "best and final" offers, RONCO was able to save \$7,350 of O/AID/Rep funds during the first quarter of FY 1993.

h. RONCO's Procurement Plan for FY 1993. With the exception of the pre-position movement package, O/AID/Rep approved all items in the plan. There was one stipulation: where possible, RONCO should obtain the requested items from stored excess property rather than procure them in the outside market.

3. *Unanticipated Activities.*

a. *Non-Food Commodities.* RONCO solicited price quotations from prospective suppliers in order to procure the following items:

<u>Item:</u>	<u>Quantity:</u>	<u>Item:</u>	<u>Quantity:</u>
Blankets. . . . .	50,000 ea	Tents. . . . .	3,000 ea
Tarpaulins. . . . .	1,000 ea	Shovels. . . . .	3,000 ea
Picks . . . . .	3,000 ea	Hoes . . . . .	3,000 ea
Plastic Buckets . . . . .	3,000 ea	Wheel Barrows. . . . .	1,000 ea
Plastic Sheets. . . . .	35,000 mtr		

Price quotations were received by 10 December for all items except the blankets. O/AID/Rep advised RONCO to cancel the procurement of the tents, which RONCO, in turn, communicated to the offerors. The funds reserved for the tents were then reallocated and, upon O/AID/Rep approval, used to procure an increased number of blankets (from 50,000 to 100,000) and tarpaulins (from 1,000 to 5,000).

b. *Food Commodities.* Because of the shortage of storage space in Peshawar due to the unanticipated storing of excess equipment from other projects, O/AID/Rep concurred in RONCO asking suppliers to extend the delivery of the emergency foodstuffs procured in November, as follows:

<u>Commodity and Quantity:</u>		<u>Delivery Period:</u>	
		<u>From:</u>	<u>To:</u>
Rice, IRRI-6	750 MT	18 December	17 January
Moong, Whole	350 MT	17 December	17 January
Salt	60 MT	03 December	03 January

After accepting an extension of the delivery period the whole moong supplier offered a different variety which was of inferior quality. RONCO could not accept the substituted moong and hence canceled the Purchase Contract.

c. *Telecommunications Equipment.* On 8 October O/AID/Rep terminated the telecommunication equipment procurement. RONCO received notification on 12 October and advised the contractor, ASTRO Systems, Inc., of the termination. As a result ASTRO is expected to submit their settlement claim. RONCO/W has followed up with ASTRO numerous times, but as of the end of the quarter their claim had not been received. Per Section 52.249-2(d) of the FAR, the contractor is required to submit a settlement claim no later than one year from the effective date of termination.

d. Small Diesel Engines. Earlier in 1992, at DAI's request, eighteen diesel engines with clutches and radiators were procured from Lucky Machinery. However, since these engines did not give the desired output when operated with the wheat threshers, it was decided that the engines should be returned to the supplier. Because the engines were modified to attach the clutches and radiators, Lucky Machinery would not take them back and reimburse DAI for the full amount. Therefore, with DAI's concurrence, RONCO accepted a slightly reduced reimbursement for the engines but retrieved the clutches and radiators and placed them in RONCO/I storage for later disposition.

#### 4. *Constraints Identified and Solutions Proposed.*

a. 100,000 Woolen Blankets. In anticipation of the urgent need of blankets among Afghan nationals, RONCO/I solicited price quotations from various Pakistani manufacturers and suppliers. However, as of 17 December, no responsive quotations had been received. RONCO representatives contacted several manufacturers located in the Islamabad area and discovered that the Pakistan Army had recently placed a large order and almost all potential manufacturers' production was booked until 30 June 1993. RONCO plans to visit a few industrial cities during the first half of January to further research the availability of suitable blankets.

b. 50 MT of Maize Seed. At DAI's request 50 MT of maize seed was ordered in August. Six varieties of seed were to be planted, grown, harvested, treated and ready for delivery in March 1993. However, since DAI's contract is due to expire by that time, RONCO requested O/AID/Rep's opinion on whether the contract should be canceled or remain intact. O/AID/Rep decided against cancellation as the charges to do so were almost \$24,000 (50 percent of the contract value). RONCO will take delivery of the seed in March and plans to keep it in RONCO storage unless O/AID/Rep advises otherwise.

#### 5. *Work Plan for Next Quarter.*

a. During the first half of January, procurement officials will concentrate on the search for manufacturers/suppliers who will be able to provide suitable blankets within the shortest possible time-frame. In addition, RONCO will continue to conduct market surveys.

b. RONCO expects to receive Procurement Requests from O/AID/Rep contractors and PVO's to purchase items and equipment estimated at \$2 to \$2.5 million during the second quarter of FY 1993.

## COMPONENT # 2. TRANSPORTATION, LOGISTICS AND SERVICES.

1. *Introduction.* During this quarter, RONCO received 2 DoD Afghan Relief Flights (ARF), a DoD surface shipment from Germany, 7 commercial air shipments and 4 commercial surface shipments.

2. *Progress to Date.* The following is a synopsis of the more significant transportation, logistics, and services activities that occurred during the first quarter FY 1993:

a. Two (2) Afghan Relief Flights (ARF) were handled during the quarter. Both ARF's were C-5 aircraft, they contained a total of 70 pallets. The pallets contained clothing, medical supplies and tents. 350 line items were received consisting of 24,991 individual items.

b. The seven commercial air shipments and four commercial surface shipments that were received required customs clearance, inventory and trans-shipment of the cargo.

c. The COP travelled to Germany in early October 1992 to coordinate the shipment of one forty foot container with DoD excess property to Karachi. Coordination was completed and the shipment arrived without any difficulty. This shipment did not include any heavy equipment, and DoD had indicated that it would likely take an extraordinary amount of time before they could arrange shipment. Consequently, we arranged for the shipment of the material.

d. The Transportation/Logistics office continues to pay utility bills for RONCO's offices and residences. Workable procedures have been arranged with utility companies to pick up our own bills, rather than wait for the "system," to preclude receiving bills late and paying late charges.

e. The Transportation/Logistics Officer went to Germany in November 1992 and coordinated the shipment of DoD heavy equipment VIA Antwerp to Karachi. Organizations shipping the equipment were coordinated with to determine the items being shipped and condition. The Port of Antwerp was visited to physically inspect equipment as it arrived, determine condition and to obtain serial numbers, weights, and an estimate of volume. It was determined that the consignee address was proper and that an advance copy of the bill of lading would be obtained. Having the proper identification number, weight and volume will permit the customs documentation to be prepared accurately in a timely manner to avoid demurrage at the Port of Karachi. Knowing the equipment condition has allowed transportation requirements to be determined prior to the unloading of the equipment in Karachi. All the above actions were lessons learned from the last heavy equipment shipment from Saudi Arabia in March/April 1992; in that case, added demurrage was paid as a result of the condition of the equipment as well as the difficulty with customs documentation.

f. Close coordination continued with the Executive Officer on the loan of excess project property stored in RONCO warehouses. A myriad of computerized inventory listings have been provided, as requested.

3. *Unanticipated Activity.* None

4. *Constraints Identified and Solutions Proposed.* Obtaining road permits in Quetta for food stuffs procured in Pakistan and destined for Afghanistan, continues to be a challenge. In one case, O/AID/Rep donated CEP foodstuffs to the Governor of Kandahar with the provision that he obtain the permit. He was successful, but had to make at least one trip to Islamabad to obtain permission. The same situation does not exist in Peshawar as there we have not been denied road permits. O/AID/Rep has been advised of this problem and will probably have to pursue a solution at the Ministerial level in Islamabad.

5. *Work Plan for Next Quarter.*

a. Coordination is underway with USAID/Karachi for the arrival, off-load, processing and trans-shipment of the DoD shipment coming from Germany via Antwerp.

b. Actions continue to manage the transportation systems, support DoD flights, register and insure vehicles, obtain exemption certificates and customs clearance, and pay utility bills promptly.

COMPONENT #3. DEPOT OPERATIONS (RECEIPT, ISSUE, STORAGE, DISTRIBUTION, AND ACCOUNTABILITY).

1. *Introduction.* RONCO warehousing operations expanded significantly during this quarter. O/AID/Rep directed RONCO to receive and store excess property for projects that were being phased down. As a result, there has been an increase in our number of warehouses in Islamabad, Peshawar and Quetta. Warehouses have also been established in Kabul and Jalalabad and arrangements were made with WFP to store 1000 MT of food stuffs at their warehouse in Kandahar. Efforts continue to locate additional warehouse space in Kandahar and Jalalabad in anticipation of expanding future operations.

2. *Progress to Date.*

a. RONCO and DAI signed an MOU whereby RONCO is to conduct storage operations for DAI, with the exception of agricultural commodities (DAP, Wheat seed, etc). During December 1992, we were directed by O/AID/Rep to accept responsibility for storing all DAI property as a phase-down of the project was announced. This meant that the agriculture products also were to be accepted. DAP was stored in Chaman, Quetta and Peshawar, and DAP and wheat seed were located in Kabul and Jalalabad. The DAP transfer in Quetta was delayed because of a theft; the extent of loss will be determined by early January 1993 and the balance will be transferred to RONCO from DAI.

b. The total 2051.4 MT of PL 480 wheat in Quetta was physically transferred to RONCO. We were directed on 17 December to move 1000 MT of wheat to Kandahar, and that has been shipped. The balance of 1051 MT in Quetta is also to be shipped to Kandahar. Storage of the wheat in Afghanistan places the wheat where it can be used in order that movement will not be restricted due to winter weather.

c. RONCO has issued all the foodstuffs allocated to CARE by O/AID/Rep, except for 18.13 MT of vegetable oil.

d. NACP, DAI, IMC and CCSC property is stored in RONCO warehouses. This consists of approximately 1,000 line items and 66,000 items. Items are issued as directed by O/AID/Rep.

e. 383 tents (general purpose, large, medium, and small) were received from the DoD on ARF 108 on November 23, 1992. The tents were inspected and stenciled with the USAID logo and allocated to the UNHCR in Jalalabad. The first 100 were shipped to Jalalabad on 28 December, the remainder are scheduled for shipment in early 1993.

f. Emergency foodstuffs continue to be stored in RONCO's warehouses in Peshawar and Quetta. All foodstuffs have been received in Quetta, but 850 MT of Rice and Moong are due in at Peshawar. It is anticipated that this will be received during January 1993.

g. Our monitors continue to monitor the distribution of emergency foodstuffs and DoD material. They accompany shipments when possible and make follow up visits as necessary to observe distribution.

3. Warehousing.

a. The following warehouse space is available:

<u>LOCATIONS</u>	<u>WAREHOUSES</u>	<u>SQ.FT.</u>
Islamabad	2	23,270
Peshawar *	5	37,823
Kabul	1	6,480
Jalalabad	1	6,080
Quetta	4	24,536
Chaman	3	11,200
	<sup>16</sup> Total	<u>109,389</u>

\* includes 1 GOP warehouse that is being vacated as issues are made.

b. PL 480 wheat and food commodities. The following tables summarize receipts, issues and balances on hand of PL 480 wheat and foodstuff commodities. At the end of last quarter, we had 61.8 MT of wheat in Peshawar. That has been issued and balances in Quetta and Kandahar are shown below. Figures are in metric tons.

PL-480 Wheat

	Quetta			Kandahar		
	Receipt	Issue	Balance	Receipt	Issue	Balance
Direct Distribution	0	0	0	0	0	0
Food for Work	0	0	0	0	0	0
Commercial Sales	0	1000	1051.407	1000	0	1000
	<u>0</u>	<u>1000</u>	<u>1051.407</u>	<u>1000</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1000</u>

CEP Food Items

	Peshawar			Quetta		
	Receipt	Issue	Balance	Receipt	Issue	Balance
Chick Peas	1.5	55.6	389.9	0	54.0	44.0
Dal Chana	19.3	55.6	390.351	0	54.0	38.0
Ghee, Vegetable	0.0	27.2	136.675	0	70.0	0.975
Rice	921.1	136.5	987.9	0	200.0	81.9
Sugar	100.7	14.05	151.45	0	18.0	8.0
Tea, Black	0.0	5.355	58.17	0	7.2	4.405
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	1042.6	294.305	2114.446	0	403.2	177.280

CEP Food Items for CARE

	Peshawar			Quetta		
	Receipt	Issue	Balance	Receipt	Issue	Balance
Ghee, Vegetable	0.0	1.925	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Vegetable Oil (USA)	0.0	252.178	18.133	0.0	0.0	0.0
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	0.0	254.103	18.133	0.0	0.0	0.0

c. General commodities. RONCO received seven air shipments and four surface shipments during the quarter.

(1) AIR SHIPMENTS:

<u>Shipment</u>	<u>Item</u>	<u>Consignee</u>
1.	Spare Parts	DAI
2-5.	Dogs/Vet Supplies	MDC
6.	Soil test equipment	IRC
7.	Radio equipment	RONCO

(2) SURFACE SHIPMENTS

<u>Shipment</u>	<u>Item</u>	<u>Consignee</u>
1.	X-Ray Machine	MSH
2.	Vehicle	RONCO
3.	DoD(Shop Equipment, Fuel cans, Dog kennels, Pallet Risers)	RONCO
4.	Excavator	CCSC

d. DoD material. During the quarter, we received ARF flights 108 and 109. Both were C-5 aircraft, carrying a combined total of 70 pallets, weighing approximately 185 tons.

(1) Clothing - 74 line items were received consisting of 18,576 items. 145 line items containing 23,794 items were issued to 21 consignees. There is a balance of 94 line items consisting of 70,381 items.

(2) Medical - 276 line items were received consisting of 6,415 items. 1,951 line items were issued consisting of 216,281 items to seven consignees. There is a balance of 487 line items, consisting of 267,476 items.

(3) Inventories of balances were submitted and distribution will be made as directed by O/AID/Rep.

4. *Constraints Identified.* None

5. *Work Plan for Next Quarter.*

a. Distribute 1000 MT of PL 480 wheat in Kandahar as directed.

b. Distribute DoD material as directed.

c. Plan for the arrival of DoD equipment from Germany in Jan. 1993 at Karachi.

d. Be prepared to distribute emergency foodstuffs as directed.

COMPONENT #4. MINE DOG CENTER (MDC).

1. *Introduction.* During this quarter the total number of MDD's increased to 83. As more MDD's were received and trained the number deployed into Afghanistan increased. At one point 61 MDD's, 135 staff members and 32 vehicles were deployed out of Pabbi and Quetta to work with the various cooperating demining agencies. MDD teams operated in eleven provinces: Farah, Ghazni, Helmand, Kabul, Kandahar, Laghman, Logar, Ningarhar, Nimroz, Paktia and Zabul.

2. *Progress to Date.*

a. *MDD Activity.* The following table summarizes the success of demining activities inside Afghanistan during the quarter.

	Anti-Personnel Mines	Anti-Tank Mines	Unexploded Ordnance /Fragments	Area Marked (square meters)	Area Cleared (square meters)
Total	1,053	42	18,078	57,785	618,742

b. *Afghan personnel.* The "Afghanization" of the MDD program continued with eight Afghan instructors training MDD's from scratch at the MDC/P training facility located in Risalpur. On 11 December, eight untrained "green" dogs arrived from Holland for this purpose. Upon completion of training all Afghan instructors at the MDC/P will have trained at least one dog from scratch and will be fully capable of training dogs and personnel. Furthermore, all elements (i.e., transportation, logistics and administration) at the MDC/P continued to improve as greater expertise was displayed by Afghan managers. *afghan  
fully  
capable*

c. *MDC Transition.* The MDC/P moved toward greater autonomy this quarter with the following administrative progress being made. Program and TA accounts were opened at the Habib Bank in Pabbi. Parallel payrolls with RONCO/I were run without errors. The MDC/P now maintains its own personnel files and all related documentation is entered in the computer at the MDC/P.

d. *MDD Training Courses.* 12 trained MDD's arrived from the United States on 7 October and were used to train 18 handler candidates. These candidates graduated on 2 December along with 8 paravets who will continue to train in order to serve as set leaders. During the quarter 3 MDD's and handlers were assigned to the MDC/Q, and 4 MDD's were used there to train newly recruited handlers with an MDC/P trainer. One paravet was assigned to the MDC/Q to provide assistance to the veterinarian.

e. *MCPA Training.* From 1-5 November 11 MDC/P personnel attended an MCPA refresher course at Risalpur to work out details of new survey techniques that will be used by MCPA and MDD teams.

f. MDD Demonstrations. Three demonstrations of mine detection capabilities were conducted by the MDC/Q and one by the MDC/P. On 19 October a group of donor nation representatives, including Austria and France, attended a demining demonstration hosted by the MDC/P in Jalalabad. On 26 October a demonstration was provided by the MDC/Q for personnel from four Quetta-based NGO's and 24 expatriate employees of ARAMCO who were visiting from Saudi Arabia. On 12 November the MDC/Q held a demonstration for twelve foreign officers and their families from the Pakistan Army Staff College and twenty students from the Balochistan International School. On 18 November an MDD demonstration was held by the MDC/Q for approximately 25 personnel from various Quetta-based NGO's.

g. Test of MDD Competency. On 20 December a group of mujahideen decided to test the mine detection expertise of the MDC/P and ATC by planting six TC-6 plastic anti-tank mines in a field and have both groups attempt to discover them. The Mujahideen asked the ATC to find the mines first. However, ATC, using metal detectors, was unable to locate even one mine. After ATC's failed attempt, MDD "Vinney" and his handler, Zarin, were sent into the field and discovered all six mines within thirty minutes.

h. Meetings. On 18 November a meeting was held in RONCO/I offices between O/AID/Rep, MDC/P, MDC/Q, and RONCO/I personnel to discuss the current status and future of the MDD Program. MDC/P management attended an 8 November Demining Office meeting in Peshawar at which the UNOCA Regional Manager/P indicated that in the future UNOCA will report to the UN Office for Humanitarian Assistance located in New York, UNOCA/I staff will be reduced and the Islamabad office relocated. In addition to these meetings MDC/P and MDC/Q management also attended routine meetings held in Islamabad, Peshawar, and Quetta. MDC/P management attended the monthly UNOCA/I meetings and a meeting held at the Demining Office in Peshawar on 11 October. MDC/Q management attended the semi-monthly meetings held at "Operation Salam" Demining Headquarters/Q and the monthly SWABAC/Q meetings.

i. Kandahar City Headquarters. On 6 October the MDC/Q Manager, along with representatives of "Operation Salam" Demining Headquarters/Q, went to Kandahar City to inspect the building and site proposed for use as a demining operation facility in 1993. Upon inspection, it was decided that the building was not large enough to accommodate all the agencies and that they would continue to search for a more adequate facility.

j. Twenty-Three Shower Trucks. All shower trucks were registered and black plated. The shower trucks are proving to be of valuable assistance in solving the transportation requirements of the MDC/P. However, these trucks take extra care to keep them running. Spare parts have been available thus far, either in the local market or by "cannibalizing" the three shower trucks designated for this purpose.

k. MDC/P Motor Pool. The entire RONCO/P motor workshop was transferred to the MDC/P. The workshop is now managed by the MDC/P and the mechanics are considered MDC/P employees.

3. *Unanticipated Activities.* On 23 December MDD "Basco" was killed in Surobi when he inadvertently triggered a PMN antipersonnel mine while alerting his handler to the mine's presence. No personnel were injured in the incident. This was only the second time in the history of the MDD Program that an MDD was killed while performing mine detection duties.

4. *Constraints Identified and Solutions Proposed.*

a. *Vehicle Shortage.* It is anticipated that both Mine Dog Centers in Pabbi and Quetta will experience a vehicle shortfall in the near future. The MDC/P expects to feel the crunch in April 1993. A conservative estimate is that ten additional pick-ups or Nissan Patrol type vehicles will be needed in order to deploy the 100 MDD's that will be available for deployment by then. The MDC/Q is presently experiencing difficulties due to expanded operations in Afghanistan. There are currently fourteen MDD's deployed out of Quetta to work in five provinces, and if a major breakdown occurs the MDC/Q will be unable to deploy all available teams.

b. *Stolen MDC/Q Vehicle.* The MDC/Q Manager met with the Governor of Kandahar on three occasions during the quarter to obtain assistance in the recovery of a stolen MDC/Q vehicle held by a local commander. At each visit the Governor assured him that he was doing all he could to recover the vehicle and would speak with the Kandahar Shura. By end of the quarter, however, the Governor still had not spoken with the Shura and the vehicle remained in the commander's possession. The commander is demanding Rs. 380,000 for its return, the price he allegedly paid for it.

c. *Radios.* A radio is needed at the MDC/Q in order to communicate with teams deployed within Afghanistan. At present they are relying on SWAAD and MCPA radios to maintain contact with personnel. The MDC/P submitted a procurement request for a CODAN radio but has not received it yet (note: radios have since arrived). Since October they have been using a radio loaned by MCPA. The MDC/P reports that communication with MDD teams has greatly improved as a result.

5. *Work Plan for Next Quarter.*

a. In April 1993 seven untrained "green" dogs will be procured in Holland by the MDC/P. The procurement of these dogs will provide an opportunity for the Afghan instructor cadre to further develop their training skills.

b. Payroll operations will be transferred to the MDC/P from RONCO/I during the next quarter.

c. The MDC/Q Manager and other demining agency representatives will continue to look for a suitable building in the Kandahar City area in order to relocate Quetta-based demining agencies during 1993.

d. Both the MDC/P and the MDC/Q will continue to work with U.N. demining agencies in Afghanistan.

COMPONENT #5. TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE AND TRAINING.

1. *Introduction.*

a. RONCO continued to plan for a transfer of the MDD Program from O/AID/Rep to UNOCA by preparing the Terms of Reference for the twelve month joint evaluation of the transition process to be held by O/AID/Rep and UNOCA. The evaluation will begin in the early part of 2nd Quarter FY 1993. Technical assistance and training continued as the RONCO functional CEP staff insures the MDC staff are prepared to stand alone.

b. Six untrained "green" MDD's were procured in Holland by Global Training Academy and transported to the MDC/P on 11 December in conformance with the fourth cycle of the Revised MDD and Handler Training Plan. Two additional "green" dogs were donated to the MDD Program by the Dutch supplier.

2. *Progress to Date.*

a. MDD Program Review Meeting. A program review of the MDC, attended by Dr. Basharat Ali, CEP Project Officer, and Sue Grose-nick, Assistant CEP Project Officer, O/AID/Rep; Dr. John Ottenberg, Director, and Shohab Hakimi, Afghan Manager, MDC/P; Earl Thieme, ALO/Q, and Mr. Ismail, Afghan Assistant Manager, MDC/Q; Guy Bowen, Chief of Party, Roger Guichard, Financial/Administrative Officer, and coordinated by Jaime Reibel, Deputy Chief of Party, RONCO/I, was held on 18 November. Relations and operational coordination with UNOCA, transport, motor pool, a revised staffing plan and the forthcoming program evaluation were discussed.

b. Expatriate Short-Term MDD Trainer. Approval was received from O/AID/Rep to hire Mr. Terry Fischer as a short-term (ninety days) Refresher Trainer to improve the training skills of the Afghan trainers at the MDC/P. His daily rate was negotiated with the Contracts Office, and Mission concurrence was provided for his arrival in country in early to mid-January.

3. *Unanticipated Activities.* None.

4. *Constraints Identified and Solutions Proposed.* Not applicable.

COMPONENT #6. FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION.

1. *Introduction.* This quarter was characterized by high levels of activity involving emergency procurements and the transition of MDC accounting and personnel functions to the MDC/P.

2. *Progress to Date.*

a. *Emergency Procurements.* In addition to the \$800,000 of emergency foodstuffs procured during the first quarter of FY 1993 \$1,600,000 of non-food items (blankets, tents, tarpaulins, tools etc.) are projected to be procured in the second quarter. This activity involves the associated tasks of budgetary projections, cash-flow analysis, cash requests and reporting.

b. *MDC Transition.* The continuing workload associated with preparing the MDC/P for independence after June 1993 has increased. In accordance with the transition plan, steps were taken during the quarter to transfer all TA accounts to the MDC. This completed the financial transfer, as Program accounts were transferred during the previous quarter. Despite the fact that these responsibilities are being moved to the MDC/P, ultimate responsibility remains with RONCO/I. In addition to continuous monitoring, the accounts are still audited and closed by Islamabad staff members at the end of each month. Additionally, the growth of the MDD Program to its expected level of 277 employees requires continuous administrative work at RONCO/I.

c. *Personnel Administration.* A total of forty-six employees were appointed, the majority of which were assigned to the MDC. Eight employees resigned during the quarter. A staffing summary as of 31 December is given below:

Location	Pakistanis #	Afghans #	Expatriates #	Local Hire #	Total #
Islamabad Office	32	1	6	1	40
Warehouse	16	2	-	-	18
Area Logistics Office					
Peshawar	17	13	1	-	31
Quetta	7	-	1	-	8
Mine Dog Center					
Peshawar	12	189	1	-	202
Quetta	-	39	-	-	39
Total	84	244	9	1	338

d. Leases.

(1) RONCO/I. The lease for the Financial/Administrative Office was renegotiated, effective 1 December, for one year at Rs. 20,350 per month.

(2) RONCO/P. The lease for the Nasirpur warehouse terminated on 31 December and was renegotiated effective 1 January 1993, on a monthly basis at Rs. 14,000 per month. The lease for the U.S. MDC trainers staff house was extended for 5 months, effective 1 December, at Rs. 30,000 per month.

(3) MDC/P. Negotiations with the MDC/P landlord on a new lease were difficult. In his opening bid, the owner wanted \$10,000 per month, a 500 percent increase. After two days of intense negotiations a price of \$3,000 per month was agreed upon. The lease for the principal property of the MDC/P was signed for an additional year, effective 1 December. However, the landlord refused an option clause for an additional period of any length. While this does not rule out a further extension on termination, it does mean that in November 1993, RONCO and O/AID/Rep may be faced with a decision to move the facility. The lease for open land adjacent to the MDC/P was terminated as of 31 December since its use was no longer needed.

(4) RONCO/Q. The lease for the RONCO/Q office/warehouse, which was due to expire on 31 December, was renegotiated for one year, effective 1 January 1993, at Rs. 22,000 per month. RONCO assumed responsibility for the DAI/Q warehouse on Sariab Road. The rent is paid on a quarterly basis, effective 12 December, at Rs. 19,404 per month. On 15 October, RONCO/Q took over the DAI/Q storage on which RONCO/Q had built a shed to store vegetable ghee. A lease was established for a facility in Quetta to temporarily store PL-480 wheat from 19 August through 18 November at a rate of Rs. 25,000 per month.

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 Analysis of Contracted funds Obligated & Expended  
 Commodity Export Program  
 Contract # 306-0205-C-00-9384  
 December, 1992

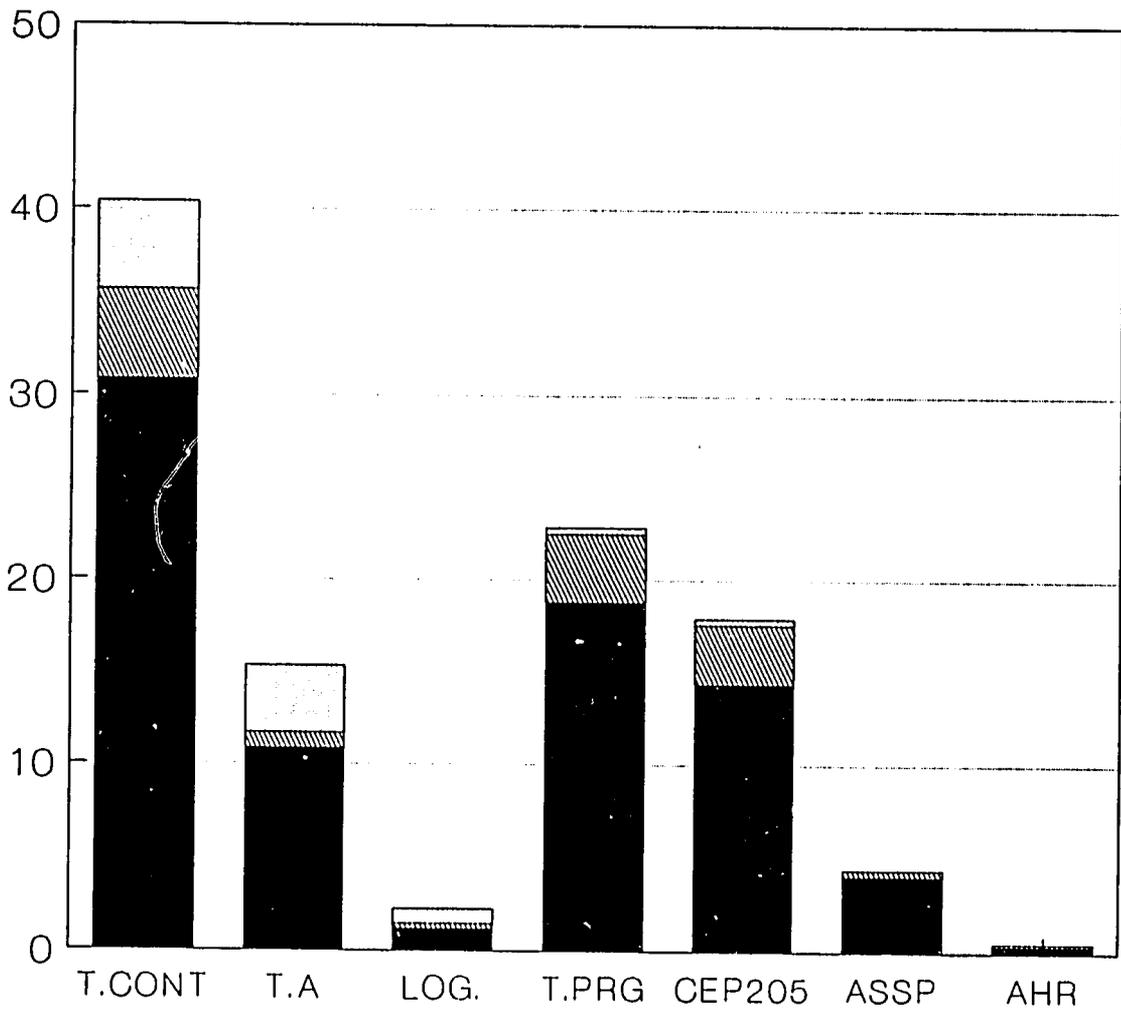
DESCRIPTION	CONTRACTED FUNDS	OBLIGATED FUNDS	EXPENDED FUNDS
Total Contract	40,364,533	35,627,500	30,828,938
Technical Assistance	15,295,571	11,663,690	10,832,270
Logistic Support	2,238,282	1,475,000	1,197,266
Total Program Funds	22,830,680	22,488,810	18,799,402
CEP - 205	17,916,680	17,574,810	14,364,547
ASSP - 204	4,400,000	4,400,000	4,049,561
AHR - 206	514,000	514,000	385,294

- Of the total Obligated Program funds of US\$ 22,488,810 , US\$ 5,694,804 is reserved exclusively for use under L/Comm # 306-205-01. Of this amount US\$ 4,614,573. has been used, including US\$ 750,330 being procured for other projects. It is being carried as a receivable and is not reflected in the CEP figure.

	AMOUNT (\$)
Program Funds Obligated	22,488,810
Funds Requested & Received:	
- ASSP 204	3,284,688
- CEP 205	9,955,481
- AHR 206	295,268
Sub-Total:	13,535,436
Letter of Commitment	5,694,804
Total Program Funds Requested & Received	19,230,240
Obligated Funds Available :	3,258,570

# CEP FUNDS ANALYSIS

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CONTRACT # 306-205-C-00-9384

PROJECT TITLE: COMMODITY EXPORT PROGRAM - AFGHANISTAN  
 PROJECT NUMBER: 306-205-C-00-9384  
 PACD : February 28, 1994  
 AID LOP FUNDING: \$40,364,533  
 OBLIGATION TO DATE: \$35,627,500  
 BALANCE: \$ 4,737,033

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 PROJECT FINANCIAL PLAN  
 FISCAL YEAR 1993, & 1st,2nd QTR FY'94  
 (US \$ 000)

February'94

ELEMENT/ACTIVITY	AS OF DECEMBER 31, 1992			FISCAL YEAR 1993 PROJECTIONS				FISCAL YEAR '94		TO PACD		AVAILABLE/(SHORTFALL)		PERIOD		PERIOD	
	LOP FUNDING	OBLIGATIONS	EXPENDED	2nd QTR	3rd QTR	4th QTR	TOTAL	1st QTR	PART OF	PERIOD	CONTRACT	OBLIGATIONS	CONTRACT	Addition	Required	Obligations	Required
	AMD # 24	AMD # 24		X Proj.	Proj.	Proj.	FY'93	Proj.	2nd QTR	TOTAL							
	(LOP)	(LOP)	(LOP)	(ooo)	(ooo)	(ooo)	(D+E+F+G)	(ooo)	Jan-Feb94	(C+G+H+I)	(A-J)	(B-J)	(M)	(N)			
(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	(F)	(G)	(H)	(I)	(J)	(K)	(L)	(M)	(N)				
LOGISTICAL SUPPORT	2,238,282	1,475,000	1,197,266	220.0	220.0	220.0	660.0	220.0	161.0	2,179.8	0	(763,300)	0	763,300			
TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE	15,295,571	11,663,690	10,832,270	1,008.7	1,165.2	697.2	2,871.1	780.5	811.7	14,312.0	0	(3,631,881)	0	3,631,881			
PROGRAM : -CEP 205	17,916,680	17,574,810	14,364,547	2,262.9	860.0	931.0	4,053.9	631.0	86.0	19,135.4	(1,518,720)	(1,560,590)	1,518,720	1,560,590			
MGMT WITHIN CEP PGM																	
-ASSP 204	4,400,000	4,400,000	4,049,561	350.4	0.0	0.0	350.4	0.0	0.0	4,400.0	0	0	0.0	0.0			
-AHR 206	514,000	514,000	385,294	30.0	30.0	30.0	90.0	20.0	18.7	514.0	0	0	0.0	0.0			
TOTAL RONCO-CEP PROGRA	22,830,680	22,488,810	18,799,402	2,643.3	890.0	961.0	4,494.3	651.0	104.7	24,049.4	(1,518,720)	(1,560,590)	1,518,720	1,560,590			
TOTAL RONCO COMMODITY EXP PROGRAM MANAGEMENT	40,364,533	35,627,500	30,828,938	3,872.0	2,275.2	1,878.2	8,025.4	1,651.5	1,077.4	40,541.2	(1,518,720)	(5,955,771)	1,518,720	5,955,771			

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PROJECT TITLE: COMMODITY EXPORT PROGRAM - AFGHANISTAN  
 PROJECT NUMBER: 0306-0205-C-00-9384  
 AID LDP FUNDING: \$ 40,364,533  
 OBLIGATION TO DATE: \$ 35,627,500  
 BALANCE: \$ 4,737,033

RONCO Consulting Corporation  
 QUARTERLY FINANCIAL SUMMARY  
 as of December 1992  
 (US \$)

ELEMENT/ACTIVITY	LIFE OF PROJECT AS OF DECEMBER 31, 1992					PREVIOUS QTR	CURRENT QTR	NEXT QTR	OBLIGATION REQUIRED FOR 2nd QTR FY-93
	CONTRACT FUNDING	(AMD # 24) OBLIGATIONS	EXPENDED ACCRUED      COMMITTED		TOTAL (REPORTED)	REPORTED (07/01/92 TO 09/30/92)	REPORTED (10/01/92 TO 12/31/92)	PLANNED (1/01/93 TO 3/31/93)	
LOGISTICAL SUPPORT	2,238,282	1,475,000	1,197,266	0	1,197,266	125,147	58,508	220,300	(57,734)
TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE	15,295,571	11,663,690	10,832,270	0	10,832,270	902,502	983,648	1,008,700	177,280
PROGRAM	22,830,680	22,488,810	17,637,749	1,161,653	18,799,402	1,331,807	1,106,794	2,643,300	(1,046,108)
CEP 205 TOTAL	40,364,533	35,627,500	29,667,285	1,161,653	30,828,938	2,359,456	2,148,950	3,872,000	(926,562)
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MANAGEMENT WITHIN CEP									
- ASSP 204	4,400,000	4,400,000	4,049,561	0	4,049,561	736,690	(10,191)	350,400	(39)
- AHR 206	514,000	514,000	385,294	0	385,294	30,176	26,442	30,000	(98,706)

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PROJECT TITLE: COMMODITY EXPORT PROGRAM - AFGHANISTAN  
 PROJECT NUMBER: 306-205-C-00,9384  
 PLAN YEAR: February 28, 1994

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 PROJECT FINANCIAL PLAN  
 FISCAL YEAR 1993, & 1st,2nd QTR FY'94  
 STATUS OF AVAILABILITY OF CONTRACT & OBLIGATED FUNDS  
 (AID \$,000)

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ELEMENT/ACTIVITY	Contract Itemized Budget	EXPENSES UPTO 12/31/92	FY'93 2nd Qtr Proj	FY'93 3rd Qtr Proj	FY'93 4th Qtr Proj	FY-93 Total Expense	FY'94 1st Qtr Proj	FY'94 2nd Qtr Proj	Plan Expen TO PACD
LOGISTICAL SUPPORT	2,238.3	1,197.3	220.0	220.0	220.0	660.0	200.0	86.0	2,238.3
FUNDS AVAILABLE/(SHORTFALL)		1,041.0	821.0	601.0	381.0	381.0	181.0	95.0	0.0
OBLG.FUNDS AVAILABLE/(SHORTFALL)		277.7	57.7	(162.3)	(382.3)	(382.3)	(582.3)	(668.3)	(763.3)
TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE	15,295.6	10,832.3	1,008.7	1,165.2	697.2	2,871.1	780.5	811.7	15,295.6
FUNDS AVAILABLE/(SHORTFALL)		4,463.3	3,454.7	2,289.4	1,592.3	1,592.3	811.8	0.0	0.0
OBLG.FUNDS AVAILABLE/(SHORTFALL)		831.4	(177.2)	(1,342.5)	(2,039.7)	(2,039.7)	(2,820.1)	(3,631.9)	(3,631.9)
PROGRAM CEP-205	17,916.7	14,364.5	2,262.9	860.0	931.0	4,053.9	631.0	86.0	19,135.4
FUNDS AVAILABLE/(SHORTFALL)		3,552.2	1,289.3	429.3	(501.7)	(501.7)	(1,132.7)	(1,218.7)	(1,218.8)
OBLG.FUNDS AVAILABLE/(SHORTFALL)		3,210.3	947.4	87.4	(843.6)	(843.6)	(1,474.6)	(1,560.6)	(1,560.6)
PROGRAM ASSP-204	4,400.0	4,049.6	350.4	0.0	0.0	350.4	0.0	0.0	4,400.0
OBLG.FUNDS AVAILABLE/(SHORTFALL)		350.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
PROGRAM AHR-206	514.0	385.3	30.0	30.0	30.0	90.0	20.0	18.7	514.0
FUNDS AVAILABLE/(SHORTFALL)		128.7	98.7	68.7	38.7	38.7	18.7	0.0	0.0
OBLG.FUNDS AVAILABLE/(SHORTFALL)		128.7	98.7	68.7	38.7	38.7	18.7	0.0	0.0

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COMPONENT #7. MISCELLANEOUS.

1. *Introduction.* This section features and describes activities which RONCO accomplished over and above those envisioned in the contract.

2. *Visitors.*

a. The following people visited the Mine Dog Center (MDC) in Pabbi during the quarter.

(1) On 22 October, Steve Sheen, Communications Program Officer, U.S. Consulate/P, and on 1 November, Captain John O'Connor, Technical Assistant, MCPA, were given orientation tours.

(2) Jaime Reibel, Deputy Chief of Party, RONCO/I, Richard Smyth, Consul, and Robert Gianfranceschi, Vice Consul, U.S. Consulate/P, Jean Gianfranceschi, Assistant Project Development Officer, Luz De Jesus, Office Manager, and Kim Oldham, Secretary, O/AID/Rep/P, Michael Karbeling, Contracting Officer, M. I. Malik, Program Specialist, Lois Kerr, Secretary, Barbara Naughton, Secretary, and Naveed Saeed, Secretary, O/AID/Rep/I, and Jane George, Secretary, USAID/I, attended a MDD graduation ceremony on 2 December.

(3) Priscilla Cowell, Teacher, Wini Schmitt, Teacher and students from The International School of Peshawar, attended a mine detection demonstration held at the MDC on 15 November.

(4) Andre Millorit, Regional Program Manager, UNOCA, visited on 13 October and 2 December in order to discuss liaison affairs between the MDC and other demining agencies with the MDC manager.

(5) Sayed Aqa, Director, and Mr. Attiqullah, Operational Officer, MCPA, had a meeting with the MDC Manager on 13 October to discuss the shower trucks on loan from USAID. On 22 October, Mr. Aqa and Mr. Attiqullah, along with Captain John O'Connor, Technical Advisor, MCPA, visited to discuss the status of mine detection activities involving the MDC and MCPA. Captain O'Connor met with the MDC Manager on two additional occasions during the quarter: on 26 October with Mohammad Younus, Liaison Officer, MCPA, and on 14 December with his replacement, John Shekeb, Technical Assistant.

(6) Roger Guichard, Financial/Administrative Officer, RONCO/I, visited on 25 October to discuss accounting procedures.

b. The following people visited RONCO/P during the quarter:

(1) Seven individuals were given tours of RONCO/P warehouses during the quarter. John Martin, Executive Officer, US-AID/I, and Chris Jones, Field Support Officer, O/AID/Rep, visited the RONCO/P Hayatabad warehouse and were also briefed on RONCO/P activities. Joe George, Transportation and Logistics Officer, RONCO/I, visited 26-27 October and toured the Nasirpur and Hayatabad facilities. While in Peshawar Mr. George also visited Hank Cushing, RAO, USAID/P, and Chris Jones, Field Support Officer, O/AID/Rep. On 16 November Guy Bowen, Chief of Party, RONCO/I, and Earl Thieme, ALO, RONCO/Q, toured the RONCO/P Hayatabad warehouse and attended an O/AID/Rep meeting with other area contractors. On 17 November Dr. Basharat Ali, Supervisory Special Projects Officer, O/AID/Rep, was given a tour of the Hayatabad facility. Jaime Reibel, Deputy Chief of Party, RONCO/I inspected the Hayatabad warehouse on 2 December.

(2) Roger Guichard, Financial and Administrative Officer, and David Morid, Procurement Officer, RONCO/I, visited 22 to 26 October. The purpose of Mr. Guichard's visit was to review the financial procedures at both the MDC/P and RONCO/P. He also met with the financial officers at MSH and UNO. Mr. Morid met with MSH representatives and area medical suppliers.

(3) On 10 November the ALO/P met with Colonel (Retired) Rashad from DAI to discuss the transfer of all DAI equipment and spare parts to RONCO/P storage. The ALO/P also met with Don Oelsli-gle and Mr. Noori from DAI on 20 November in order to show them the DAI equipment in the RONCO/P Hayatabad warehouse.

(4) On 3 November the ALO/P met with Todd Peterson, Chief of Party, IMC, to discuss the transfer of IMC vehicles and equipment to RONCO/P storage. They met again on 23 November to make further arrangements for the transfer and storage of these items.

(5) Carla Grismann, Officer in Charge, Asia Foundation, met with the ALO/P in November to discuss the allocation of DoD supplies in RONCO/P storage.

(6) The ALO/P met with <sup>Larry</sup> Jerry Sinclair, Chief of Party, CCSC, on 22 November to discuss the return of the new left-hand drive pick-up trucks that were previously loaned to them.

(7) On 6 December Jean Quartier from WFP/P visited RONCO/P offices to discuss the shipment of CEP commodities to Afghanistan.

c. The following people visited RONCO/Q during the quarter:

(1) John Garney, Executive Officer, O/AID/Rep, visited on 5 November to discuss the disposition and storage of DAI surplus property.

(2) Martha Sardinias, Refugee Officer, U.S. Embassy, visited RONCO/Q offices and was furnished a vehicle and driver in order to visit various offices located in Quetta.

(3) Roger Guichard, Financial/Administrative Officer, RONCO/I, visited 7-9 December to discuss personnel staffing and was given a tour of all RONCO/Q warehouse sites.

(4) The MDC/Q held three MDD demonstrations during the quarter: on 26 October, 24 employees of ARAMCO visiting from Saudi Arabia, on 12 November students from the Army Staff College/Q and the Balochistan International School/Q, and on 18 November, 25 people from various NGO's were given demonstrations of mine detection activity.