

AMENDMENT TO THE PROJECT AGREEMENT

BETWEEN

THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF TOGO

AND

OPPORTUNITIES INDUSTRIALIZATION CENTERS INTERNATIONAL, INC.

RELATING TO

OIC TOGO AGRICULTURAL EXTENSION AND TRAINING PROJECT

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This amendment to the Project Agreement relating to the OIC Togo Agricultural and Extension Training Program refers to modifications in the training objectives and outputs that have occurred since the project was launched and conforms to the recommendations made in the joint mid-term evaluation report of the project. The following modifications are proposed.

1. When the project was designed in January, 1984, one of the major objectives was to train government extension agents. During the period covering FY 1984-1986, a total of 687 extension agents have been trained by OIC Togo as indicated below.

Trainee Group	FY84		FY85		FY86	
	Planned	Actual	Planned	Actual	Planned	Actual
Crop Extension Agents						
• Field Assistants	80	111	120	59	160	61
• Asst. Section Chiefs	40	38	40	10	80	29
• Section Chiefs	20	18	20	11	30	0
Livestock Extension Agents	80	60	120	130	160	160
Small Ruminant Agents	40	0	80	0	80	0
MRD Accountants	--	12	--	24	--	19
TOTAL	260	239	380	234	510	269

As a result of policy decisions made by the Ministry of Rural Development regarding the training of extension agents, no extension agents have been trained by OIC Togo since 1987. Consequently, it is suggested that the training of extension agents by OIC Togo be deleted.

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2. The original program design calls for the training of students and instructors from the Regional Training Centers for Modern Young Farmers (CRFJAM) and the National Institute for Agricultural Training (NIAT). Regarding the CRFJAM, the regional training centers ceased to exist even before there was an opportunity for OIC Togo to provide any training. Because the training objectives of NIAT changed, no instructors and only a portion of the students from the Institute were trained by OIC Togo. The Project Agreement should be amended to reflect this reality.
  3. The Project Agreement also calls for the establishment of an Agricultural Advisory Council. However, given that all of the members of the Board of Directors are actively involved in agricultural development and education in Togo and are able to perform the tasks of an Agricultural Advisory Council quite effectively, the necessity for the establishment of a separate advisory council has not arisen and therefore should be deleted.
  4. The Project Agreement specified that during the first three years of the project, 420 adult farmers would receive periodic training in their villages for eight months, and 150 would receive a one-week course at the OIC Togo center. Substantial progress has been made toward the realization of these planned outputs. During the first two years of the project, actual output for off-site training exceeded the projected level of training. Since FY86, this training has been turned over to the Notsé Rural Development Project (PDRN). Hence, this training should be deleted from OIC Togo activities starting in FY86.
  5. When the OIC Togo training program was launched, a separate training component dedicated exclusively to animal husbandry was not included. However, in response to persistent requests from the community, a twelve-week training program in animal husbandry was designed and included as part of the training activities conducted by OIC Togo since 1984. Between FY84 and FY87, a total of 254 trainees in this category have been trained by OIC Togo. The program

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envisages to train at least 50 trainees every year in animal husbandry. The Project Agreement document should be amended to include this new training component.

6. During FY87, in response to recommendations made in the mid-term evaluation report and also to better serve the women of the community, a separate four-month, residential training program was established to meet the special needs of women. After a one-year trial period in FY87, it was determined that this new training activity would form an integral part of OIC Togo's overall training program. Thus, the Project Agreement should be amended to incorporate this new training activity.

In summary, the following amendments relating to program objectives and outputs are made to the OIC Togo Project Agreement:

1. The Agricultural Advisory Council is deleted;
2. OIC Togo training and services to new CRFJAM graduates are deleted as of FY87;
3. Training of RYFTC and NIAT instructors by OIC Togo is deleted as of FY84;
4. Off-site training of adult farmers by OIC Togo as of FY86 is deleted;
5. From FY87, training of all categories of Government of Togo extension agents is deleted from the training activities provided by OIC Togo;

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6. A special twelve-week training course in animal husbandry will be conducted by OIC Togo as indicated below:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Number to be Trained</u>
FY 1984	21
1985	83
1986	76
1987	74
1988	<u>50</u>
TOTAL	304

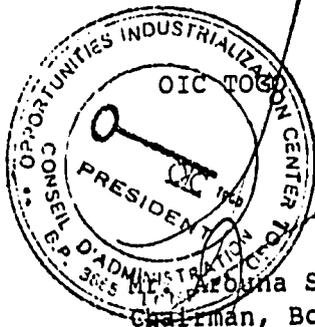
7. Starting in FY87, OIC Togo will train rural young women through a specially designed training program as indicated below:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Number to be Trained</u>
1987	71
1988	<u>70</u>
TOTAL	141

Apart from these amendments to the program output level, all other items mentioned in the Project Agreement remain valid.

In witness thereof, the Government of Togo, the U.S. Agency for International Development, OIC International and OIC Togo, each acting through its authorized representative, have signed their names on this amendment document which becomes active from this date.

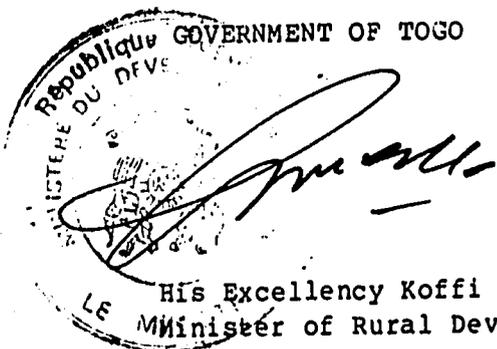
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