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Date of Trip: April 26 - May 2, 1987

Purpose: To prepare a study tour for ten
Chadians to Mali

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LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

AMPPF	:	Association Malienne pour la Protection et la Promotion de la Famille Malian Association for the Protection and Promotion of the Family
CASFN	:	Centre d'Application en Santé Familiale et Nutritionnelle Center for Implementing Family and Nutritional Health
COCEPS	:	Comité d'Orientation et de Coordination des Programmes Sanitaires Committee for the Orientation and Coordination of Health Programs
DNSP	:	Direction Nationale de la Santé Publique National Administration of Public Health
DNPFSS	:	Direction Nationale de la Planification et de la Formation Socio-sanitaire National Administration for Social and Health Planning and Training
DSF	:	Division de la Santé Familiale Division of Family Health
MOPH/SA	:	Ministère de la Santé Publique et des Affaires Sociales Ministry of Public Health and Social Affairs
PF	:	Planification Familiale Family Planning
SMI/PF	:	Santé Maternelle et Infantile / Planification Familiale Maternal and Child Health / Family Planning
PMI	:	Protection Maternelle et Infantile Maternal and Child Protection

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Dr. Penda N'Diaye Seck, INTRAH/WCA Consultant, visited Bamako from April 26 to May 2, 1987 to begin preparations with officials of the Ministry of Public Health and Social Affairs for a study tour of ten Chadians to Mali.

During the visit, the MOPH/SA was contacted to solicit its accord for the trip and its authorization to visit several MCH/FP centers which provide family planning service delivery. A list of objectives and a schedule for the study tour were established in collaboration with the MOPH/SA.

Contacts were made with USAID/Bamako to clarify the goals and objectives of the Chadians' visit and to solicit the support of the Health and Population Division of USAID.

Another objective of the assignment was to assess the hotel and restaurant rates and transportation costs in order to make specific recommendations for lodging, transportation and per diems to be proposed to USAID/Mali and INTRAH for approval.

During this visit Dr. Seck was able to accomplish the following tasks:

- Briefed and debriefed with USAID/Bamako
- Contacted the Ministry of Public Health and Social Affairs
- Prepared a tentative schedule for the Chadians' visit
- Prepared a list of recommendations regarding per diems and accommodations for the Chadian delegation

Subsequently, the Chadians declined to visit Mali thereby resulting in another attempt to arrange for them to visit Morocco.

SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES

- April 26 Arrived in Bamako.
- April 27 Briefed at USAID/Bamako with Mr. Francisco Zamora, Health Officer and Mr. Tata Sangare, Program Officer.
- Meeting with Dr. Bocoum Suzanne Maiga, Medical Officer, DSF.
- Meeting with Dr. Lillian Barry, Cabinet Director, MOPH/SA.
- April 28 Meeting with Dr. J Briere de l'Isle, National Public Health Director.
- Meeting with Dr. Bougou Sissoko, Chief of the Training Division, DPNFSS.
- Assessment of hotel and restaurant rates.
- April 29 Meeting with Director of Renov-Auto Development.
- April 30 Debriefed with Mr. Zamora.
- Development of schedule and objectives of study tour.
- Assessment of restaurant rates.
- May 1 (holiday) Finalized and copied documents.
- Meeting with Dr. Barry.
- May 2 Departed for Abidjan.

I. PURPOSE OF TRIP

The purpose of the assignment was to prepare a study tour for a delegation of ten Chadians to visit MCH/FP centers in Mali. More specifically the objectives were to:

- contact USAID/Bamako and solicit their support;
- contact the MOPH/SA to solicit their formal approval and authorization to visit the MCH/FP centers;
- develop a list of objectives and the outline for the study tour schedule; and
- make specific recommendations for lodging, local transportation, and per diems for the delegation.

II. ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- A. A briefing and discussion took place at USAID/Bamako.
- B. The Ministry of Public Health and Social Affairs was contacted through Dr. Lillian Barry, Cabinet Director.
- C. Discussions took place with Dr. Briere de l'Isle National Public Health Director; Dr. Bocoum Suzanne Maiga, Medical Officer for the Division Family Health; and Dr. Bougou Sissoko, Chief of the Training Division of the DNPFS.
- Several hotels and restaurants were contacted as well as several rental car agencies.
- Objectives as well as a study tour schedule were developed.

III. BACKGROUND

A delegation of 10 Chadians visited Senegal from March 28 - April 9, 1987 as the first of two Study Tours organized by INTRAH per the contract workplan. The trip allowed the Chadians representing several Ministries to familiarize themselves with the Project de Sante Familiale du Senegal financed by USAID.

According to the contract workplan, a second group is to visit another project, thus giving Chadian officials the background to work effectively at developing a national MCH/FP policy. It is in this context that Mali was selected as a possible site for the second study tour.

IV. DESCRIPTION OF ACTIVITIES

A. USAID/Bamako

The study tour goals and objectives were discussed with Mr. Francisco Zamora, Health Officer, and Mr. Tata Sanagare, Program Officer, who had first contacted the Director of the Division of Family Health and obtained the following information:

- The DSF Director had suggested that the dates June 6-25, 1987, were not ideal given the fact that a visit to Mali by a Burkina Faso delegation was scheduled for that same period and suggested that the starting date be changed to May 25, 1987.
- USAID/Bamako recommended that INTRAH send an official letter to the MOPH/SA to solicit their accord (see copy of telex attached).

B. Ministry of Public Health and Social Affairs

Dr. Seck presented the objectives of the Chadian Study tour to Cabinet Director Dr. Lillian Barry who emphasized the following points:

- A formal letter to the government of Mali, or one from INTRAH to the MOPH/SA would be necessary to obtain Mali's formal accord.
- The month of May coincided with Ramadan in Mali, and might hamper the success of the study tour.
- Monday May 25 was the date COCEPS convened in Mali involving all regional Directors. Thus, a starting date of May 25 was not acceptable to MOPH/SA.

C. Development of Objectives and Schedule of Study Tour

At the request of MOPH/SA, the objectives and tour schedule were developed by the INTRAH consultant and submitted to the MOPH/SA for approval (see Appendices B and C).

D. Inventory of Hotel and Restaurant Rates and Transportation Costs

1. Hotels

Grand Hotel (Center of Town)

Room	:	21,500 CFA (single or double)
1/2 Pension	:	25,600 CFA
Pension	:	29,100 CFA

The tax of 500 CFA/day is included in this price
Telex : 578 - Grand Hotel

Hotel Terminus (Hamdallaye)

Room (single)	:	9,750 CFA
Double	:	12,000 CFA

2. Restaurants

"Bol de Jade" (Behind the BDM hqtrs)

The average price of a full meal is 2,500 CFA.
The restaurant is open every day.

Bar Restaurant "Le Gondole" (Av. de la Nation Bamako, Coura)

The meal prices vary between 2,500 and 4,500 CFA a la carte. Open morning and evening every day except Sunday morning and Monday.

Restaurant Central (Center of Town)

Price of full meal : 2,100 CFA
Course of the day : 1,400 CFA

Le Cresus

Prices similar to Restaurant Central

Sabbach

Moderate prices

3. Transportation

Rental Agency N'DAO BAMAKO COURA

Rental cost of a Land Cruiser : 35,000 CFA/day
plus 100 CFA/km
Rental cost of a 504 : 20,000 CFA/day
(air conditioned) plus 50 CFA/km

Rental Agency at the Grand Hotel

Rental cost of a Land Cruiser : 40,000 CFA/day
plus 50 CFA/km

V. FINDINGS, CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

FINDINGS/CONCLUSIONS

RECOMMENDATIONS

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| <p>1. The MOPH/SA suggested that official correspondence be addressed to the Minister. Correspondence coming directly from the Chadian government could have more impact.</p> <p>2. Given the very brief amount of time INTRAH has to prepare this study tour it would be desirable if a MOPH/SA representative, familiar with the INTRAH program, worked in collaboration with the INTRAH consultant who will accompany the group.</p> <p>3. The schedule and objectives proposed are tentative and will need to be finalized.</p> <p>4. Among the hotels visited, the Grand Hotel is the most practical because of its geographical location in the center of town.</p> <p>5. The official USAID per diem for Bamako is \$140. Transportation costs are also very high.</p> | <p>1. INTRAH must write a letter to the MOPH/SA and request the Chadian MOH to do likewise.</p> <p>2. INTRAH should request the MOPH/SA to provide an official, preferably someone who has already worked with INTRAH.</p> <p>3. The INTRAH consultant accompanying the group should review these objectives with the DNSP and the DSF before the commencement of the study/tour activities.</p> <p>4. Reservations should be made at the Grand Hotel to lodge the delegation.</p> <p>5. A rate of \$105 for subsistence should be proposed to the participants; the remainder of the official per diem (\$35) should be used to cover transportation.</p> |
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FINDINGS/CONCLUSIONS

6. Given the fact that most members of the delegation have no experience in FP, the visit to service points will be less meaningful without a basic introduction to family planning methods, in advance of their visit. The group who visited Dakar made this recommendation.

RECOMMENDATIONS

6. A brief introduction on contraceptive methods should be given at the beginning of the study tour.

APPENDIX A

PERSONS CONTACTED/MET

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USAID/Bamako

Mr. Francisco ZAMORA, Health Officer

Mr. Tata SANGARE, Program Officer

Ministry of Public Health and Social Affairs (MOPH/SA)

Dr. BARRY Lillian, Cabinet Director

Dr. l'ISLE J Briere de, National Public Health Director

Dr. MAIGA Suzanne Bocum, Director, DSF

Dr. SISSOKO Bougou, Chief, Training Division, DNPFS

APPENDIX B

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May 25 to June 1, 1987
(Tentative program)

May 23		Arrival of Delegation
May 24		Free
May 25	8:00	Departure from Hotel
	8:30	Meeting with Ministry of Public Health and Social Affairs
	10:00	Meeting with the National Public Health Director
	12:00	Meeting with the National Director for Social and Health Planning and Training
	2:00	Individual meetings
May 26	8:00	Meeting with USAID
	9:30	Meeting with National Director of Social Affairs
	10:30	Meeting with the Director of the Division of Family Health
	12:30	Meeting with the Health Officer of Center for Implementing Family and Nutritional Health
	4:00	Recapulation Session
May 27	8:00	Departure from Hotel
	8:30	Meeting with AMPPF team
	10:30	Meeting with team from Sahel Institute
	12:30	National Directorate for Planning (Population Unit)
	2:00	Individual Meetings
May 28	7:00	Departure from Hotel to Kolokani
	10:00	Meeting with Health Officer of Health Center and visit of divisions. Return to Bamako in the afternoon.
May 29	8:00	Departure from Hotel to Koulikoro
	9:00	Meeting with the Regional Public Health Director
	10:30	Meeting with the Head Midwife of Katibougou
	12:30	Return to Bamako
	4:00	Departure for Koutiala

Appendix B
PROFESSIONAL SCHEDULE OF VISITS FOR
THE MALIAN DELEGATION TO MALI

May 30	8:00	Departure from Koutiala for Sikasso
	9:30	Meeting with Regional Director of Sikasso
	11:00	Visit of Sikasso PMI Departure from Sikasso for Bamako in the afternoon
May 31		Free
Jun 1	8:00	Individual Meetings
	3:00	Recapitulation Session and Closing
	7:00	Cocktails

APPENDIX C

GENERAL PLAN FOR THE SERVICES TO BE VISITED AND OBJECTIVES OF
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Ten representatives from different Ministries and organizations in Chad will visit Mali from May 25 - 30, 1987, to partake of the Malian experience in FP, and, more specifically, to identify the components to a national MCH/FP program.

GENERAL OBJECTIVE: By the end of the visit, the participants should be able to:

- Identify the components of a national MCH/FP program
 - Describe the Malian experience in FP
 - Draw together elements which allow them to formulate the basis of a MCH/FP policy adapted to Chadian realities.
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SERVICES VISITED

OBJECTIVES

MINISTRY OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND SOCIAL AFFAIRS	By the end of the visit the participants should be able to: - Describe the outline of the country's health policy - Describe the organization of the MSPAS
NATIONAL ADMINISTRATION OF PUBLIC HEALTH (DSNP)	- Describe the Malian policy in primary health care - Describe the role of MCH/FP in primary health care - Describe the organization of the DSNP and the role of each in the national discussions - Describe the role of the DSNP in the coordination of health interventions
NATIONAL ADMINISTRATION OF SOCIAL HEALTH PLANNING AND TRAINING (DNPFS)	- Describe the role of the DNPFS - Describe problems relating to training of socio-health personnel - Describe the relationship between the DNPFS and other administrations with regards to in-service training (Training and Refresher Training for In-service Personnel)

Appendix C
GENERAL PLAN FOR THE SERVICES TO BE
VISITED AND OBJECTIVES OF EACH VISIT

NATIONAL ADMINISTRATION
OF SOCIAL AFFAIRS

- Describe the organization and role of this administration within the Ministry

FAMILY HEALTH DIVISION
(DSF)

- Describe the national MCH/FP policy
- Describe the objectives, strategies, and organization of the DSF
- Describe the collaboration between the DSF and the other institutions working on maternal and child health
- Describe the research the DSF has initiated in FP

CENTER FOR IMPLEMENTING
FAMILY AND NUTRITIONAL
HEALTH

- Describe the role, organization, functioning, and different activities of the center
- Describe the role of FP among the other MCH activities

MALIAN ASSOCIATION FOR THE
PROTECTION AND PROMOTION
OF THE FAMILY (AMPPF)

- Describe the organization and pioneer role of the AMPPF in FP
- Describe the relationship between the AMPPF and the Ministry of Public Health

USAID/MALI

- Describe the general policy of USAID in health and FP
- The USAID health programs
- The FP projects financed by USAID in Mali
- The collaboration between USAID and DSF (Integrated MCH/FP project)

SAHEL INSTITUTE

- Describe the FP research activities

NATIONAL PLAN
ADMINISTRATION/
DIVISION OF HUMAN
RESOURCES

- Describe the usefulness of demographic data and their impact on the planning and evaluation of health activities.

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REGIONAL HEALTH
ADMINISTRATION
KOULIKORO

- Describe the role and organization of a regional administration in a primary health care policy.

FP CENTER OF KATIBOUGOU

- Describe the center's activities and interventions in the community
- Describe the center's training activities

HEALTH CENTER OF KOLOKANI

- Describe the Kolokani "cercle"'s experience in primary health care

SIKASSO PMI

- Describe the activities and the functions of a regional PMI

APPENDIX D

SUMMARY SHEET:
THE COMPONENTS OF A NATIONAL FAMILY PLANNING PROGRAM

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SUMMARY SHEET

Here is a list of the main components of a national FP Program. During each of your visits to Malian service centers, you will gather information on one or several of these components. This sheet will help you summarize your information.

In the column labeled "The Malian Experience," write down your observations under the appropriate component after each visit. Specify the source of the information.

The column labeled "Chad" is provided to help you jot down your ideas regarding the potential for creating these components in Chad, as well as the specific factors which will have to be taken into account.

LA CONCEPTION (Conception)		
COMPOSANTE (Component)	L'EXPERIENCE MALIENNE (The Malian Experience)	LE TCHAD (Chad)
<p>UNE POLITIQUE NATIONALE fondée sur la résolution de certains problèmes; le résumé de la doctrine</p> <p>(A National Policy based on the resolu- tion of certain problems; the summary of the doctrine.</p>		

COMPOSANTE (Conception)	L'EXPERIENCE MALIENNE (The Malian Experience)	LE TCHAD (Chad)
<u>OBJECTIFS</u> Les résultats précis, concrets et mesurables que l'on veut atteindre <u>(Objectives</u> The precise, concrete measurable results which one wishes to attain)		

COMPOSANTE (Conception)	L'EXPERIENCE MALIENNE (The Malian Experience)	LE TCHAD (Chad)
<u>ORIENTATION</u> Les stratégies utilisées pour atteindre les buts et objectifs <u>(ORIENTATION</u> The strategies used to attain these goals and objectives)		

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COMPOSANTE (Components)	L'EXPERIENCE MALIENNE (The Malian Experience)	LE TCHAD (Chad)
<p><u>LES STRUCTURES</u> L'identification des structures existantes et des structures nouvelles à créer</p> <p><u>(THE STRUCTURES</u> The identification of existing structures and new structures to be created.</p>		

COMPOSANTE (Components)	L'EXPERIENCE MALIENNE (The Malian Experience)	LE TCHAD (Chad)
<u>L'ORGANISATION</u> Un plan opérationnel et une coordination entre les différentes structures <u>(THE ORGANIZATION</u> An operational plan and coordination between the different structures)		

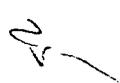
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COMPOSANTE (Components)	L'EXPERIENCE MALIENNE (The Malian Experience)	LE TCHAD (Chad)
<p><u>LES SOURCES D'ASSISTANCE</u> identification des sources d'assistance sur le plan:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - financier - technique - matériel <p><u>(THE SOURCES OF HELP</u> Identification of the sources of help in the plan:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -- financial -- technical -- material 		

COMPOSANTE (Components)	L'EXPERIENCE MALIENNE (The Malian Experience)	LE TCHAD (Chad)
<u>LES FINANCES ET LE BUDGET</u> La mise en place des fonds et d'un budget pour les opérations <u>(FINANCES AND THE BUDGET)</u> The setting up of funds and a budget for operations)		

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LA MISE EN OEUVRE		
COMPOSANTE (Components)	L'EXPERIENCE MALIENNE (The Malian Experience)	LE TCHAD (Chad)
<p>LA FORMATION DU PERSONNEL</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - dans les écoles professionnelles - formation/recyclage du personnel en service <p>(THE TRAINING OF PERSONNEL</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -- in the professional schools -- training in-service refresher training of the personnel) 		



COMPOSANTE (Components)	L'EXPERIENCE MALIENNE (The Malian Experience)	LE TCHAD (Chad)
<u>L'INFORMATION, LA SENSIBILISATION ET L'EDUCATION DE LA POPULATION</u> Préparation des messages Campagne de sensibilisation Diffusion de messages appropriés <u>(INFORMATION, SENSITIZATION, AND EDUCATION OF THE POPULATION</u> Preparation of messages Sensitization campaign Circulation of appropriate messages)		

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COMPOSANTE (Components)	L'EXPERIENCE MALIENNE (The Malian Experience)	LE TCHAD (Chad)
<u>L'APPROVISIONNEMENT DES STRUCTURES</u> Organisation logistique pour la livraison régulière de l'équipement et du matériel <u>(STOCKING OF STRUCTURES AND ORGANIZATION</u> Logistical organization for regular delivery of equipment and materials.)		

COMPOSANTE (Components)	L'EXPERIENCE MALIENNE (The Malian Experience)	LE TCHAD (Chad)
<p><u>LES PRESTATIONS DE SERVICE</u> Le fonctionnement des services pour un encadrement et une assistance destinés à la population</p> <p>(<u>SERVICE DELIVERIES</u> Services functioning with training and help geared to population)</p>		

COMPOSANTE (Components)	L'EXPERIENCE MALIENNE (The Malian Experience)	LE TCHAD (Chad)
<u>LA DISTRIBUTION DES PRODUITS CONTRACEPTIFS A LA POPULATION</u> (DISTRIBUTION OF CONTRACEPTIVE PRODUCTS TO THE POPULATION)		
<u>GESTION DES STOCKS</u> (MANAGEMENT OF STOCK)		

COMPOSANTE (Components)	L'EXPERIENCE MALIENNE (The Malian Experience)	LE TCHAD (Chad)
<u>LE SUIVI</u> Les mécanismes mis en place (FOLLOW UP The Mechanisims set up)		
<u>L'EVALUATION</u> (EVALUATION)		

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APPENDIX E

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GDO:TSANGARE

1. GDO/FZAMORA, 2. GDO/DPONASIK, 3. PROG/CR (INFO)
USAID AMB DCM, CHRON

AMEMBASSY BAMAKO

AMEMBASSY ABIDJAN

AIDAC

ABIDJAN FOR REDSO/WCA PASS TO INTRAH REGIONAL OFFICER,
PAP GAYE

E.O. 12356: N/A

SUBJECT: POPULATION: PROPOSED MAY VISIT TO MALI BY
-- INTRAH SPONSORED CHADIAN PARTICIPANTS

REF: SECK/ZAMORA TELCON 4/23/87

1. PER REF TELCON, MISSION HAS DISCUSSED PROPOSED VISIT WITH MOH OFFICIALS. MAY IS NOT A CONVENIENT TIME FOR VISIT DUE TO ANOTHER VISIT ALREADY PLANNED FOR BURKINA FASO PARTICIPANTS COMING TO OBSERVE MALI'S MCH/FP SERVICES DURING SAME TIME.

2. MOH OFFICIALS REQUESTED A LONGER LEAD TIME TO PREPARE FOR VISIT. THEY ALSO BELIEVE THAT SOME SORT OF INTERGOVERNMENTAL COMMUNICATION BETWEEN CHAD AND MALI NECESSARY.

3. MISSION RECOMMENDS THAT INTRAH SEND CABLE OR LETTER IN FRENCH TO THE MOH TO REQUEST APPROVAL FOR THE VISIT BY CHADIAN PARTICIPANTS. THE MOH CAN THEN INFORMALLY LET YOU KNOW WHEN WOULD BE THE BEST TIME FOR THE VISIT THE CHADIAN GOVERNMENT CAN THEN MAKE A FORMAL REQUEST THE MOH FOR CONCURRENCE.

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