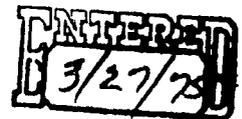


PD-ABB 334

(07) 1020 10



PAGE 1

PROJECT APPRAISAL REPORT (PAR)

1. PROJECT NO. <u>524-11-140-105</u>	2. PAR FOR PERIOD: <u>11/27/73</u> TO <u>3/14/75</u>	3. COUNTRY <u>Nicaragua</u>	4. PAR SERIAL NO. <u>75-4</u>
---	---	--------------------------------	----------------------------------

5. PROJECT TITLE

Agricultural Planning and Statistical Services

6. PROJECT DURATION: Began FY <u>74</u> Ends FY <u>78</u>	7. DATE LATEST PROP <u>11/27/73</u>	8. DATE LATEST PIP <u>-</u>	9. DATE PRIOR PAR <u>-</u>
10. U.S. FUNDING	a. Cumulative Obligation Thru Prior FY: \$ <u>482,000</u>	b. Current FY Estimated Budget: \$ <u>234</u>	c. Estimated Budget to completion After Current FY: \$ <u>350</u>

11. KEY ACTION AGENTS (Contractor, Participating Agency or Voluntary Agency)

a. NAME <u>U.S. Department of Agriculture</u>	b. CONTRACT, PASA OR VOL. AG. NO. <u>PASA LA (AG) 31-74</u>
--	--

I. NEW ACTIONS PROPOSED AND REQUESTED AS A RESULT OF THIS EVALUATION

A. ACTION (X)			B. LIST OF ACTIONS	C. PROPOSED ACTION COMPLETION DATE
USAID	AID/W	HOST		
x	x		Revise PROP to broaden scope of project	4/1/75
		x	Prepare implementation plan required by Pro/Ag 74-6	4/1/75
x	x		Revise PASA	5/1/75

D. REPLANNING REQUIRES	REVISOR OR NEW: <input type="checkbox"/> PROP <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PIP <input type="checkbox"/> PRO AG <input type="checkbox"/> PIO/T <input type="checkbox"/> PIO/C <input type="checkbox"/> PIO/P	E. DATE OF MISSION REVIEW <u>3/14/75</u>
PROJECT MANAGER: TYPED NAME, SIGNED INITIALS AND DATE <u>rd L. Hughes RLL</u>		MISSION DIRECTOR: TYPED NAME, SIGNED INITIALS AND DATE <u>Robert E. Culbertson</u>

II. PERFORMANCE OF KEY INPUTS AND ACTION AGENTS

A. INPUT OR ACTION AGENT CONTRACTOR, PARTICIPATING AGENCY OR VOLUNTARY AGENCY	B. PERFORMANCE AGAINST PLAN							C. IMPORTANCE FOR ACHIEVING PROJECT PURPOSE (X)				
	UNSATISFACTORY		SATISFACTORY			OUTSTANDING		LOW		MEDIUM		HIGH
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	1	2	3	4	5
1. USDA PASA					X							X
2.												
3.												

Comment on key factors determining rating

- 1) GON representatives have informally expressed their satisfaction with quality and timeliness of service.
- 2) Progress noted in establishing statistics and planning/evaluation units in GON partly attributable to PASA.

4. PARTICIPANT TRAINING	1	2	3	4	5	X	7	1	2	X	4	5
-------------------------	---	---	---	---	---	----------	---	---	---	----------	---	---

Comment on key factors determining rating

Candidates selected by GON for training have been outstanding; general performance and participation of participants in academic training, short courses and seminars have been excellent. Processing of participants by GON, USAID and AID/W has been timely and efficient.

5. COMMODITIES	1	2	X	4	5	6	7	1	2	X	4	5
----------------	---	---	----------	---	---	---	---	---	---	----------	---	---

Comment on key factors determining rating

Administrative delays in Mission-authorized procurement of project vehicles has delayed implementation of key agricultural statistics program activities. Otherwise a higher rating could have been given.

6. COOPERATING COUNTRY	a. PERSONNEL	1	2	3	X	5	6	7	1	2	3	4	X
	b. OTHER												

Comment on key factors determining rating

While satisfactory progress has in general been noted as regards Section II of the first Pro/Ag, signed April, 1974, the UNASEC personnel have been lax in preparing a detailed implementation plan per Section IV of the Pro/Ag. Except for this one factor, a higher rating would be justified.

7. OTHER DONORS	1	2	3	4	X	6	7	1	X	3	4	5
-----------------	---	---	---	---	----------	---	---	---	----------	---	---	---

(See Next Page for Comments on Other Donors)

AID 1020-25(10-70)	PROJECT NO.	PAR FOR PERIOD:	COUNTRY	PAR SERIAL NO.
PAGE 3 PAR	524-11-140-105	11/27/73 to 3/14/75	Nicaragua	75-4

II. 7. Continued: Comment on key factors determining rating of Other Donors

Mission evaluation is based on general impression of quality in day-to-day contacts and from comments of host country personnel.

III. KEY OUTPUT INDICATORS AND TARGETS

A. QUANTITATIVE INDICATORS FOR MAJOR OUTPUTS		TARGETS (Percentage/Rate/Amount)					END OF PROJECT
		CUMULATIVE PRIOR FY	CURRENT FY 75		FY ____	FY ____	
			TO DATE	TO END			
National crop estimates, annually.	PLANNED			0			8
	ACTUAL PERFORMANCE						
	REPLANNED						
National crop forecasts, annually	PLANNED			0			8
	ACTUAL PERFORMANCE						
	REPLANNED						
National livestock inventories, annually	PLANNED						2
	ACTUAL PERFORMANCE						
	REPLANNED						
Development plans for agriculture sector	PLANNED			1			3
	ACTUAL PERFORMANCE		1				
	REPLANNED						
B. QUALITATIVE INDICATORS FOR MAJOR OUTPUTS	COMMENT:						
1. Basic agricultural statistics on a current basis available for planning purposes.	The first Pro/Ag for implementing this project was signed April 24, 1974. The Pro/Ag funded a PASA to provide technical services to the Statistics Unit and to the Analysis/Planning Unit, and it further provided commodities and participant training. Implementation of this Pro/Ag is in progress. Major outputs have						
2. Rural Development project analysis, evaluation and planning being carried out on a continuing basis with results reflected in reforms & new initiatives.	not yet developed. USDA PASA advisors have been active in helping the Statistics Unit develop an area sample frame upon which the Statistics Unit can later produce the crop and livestock statistics above indicated. The Analysis and Planning Unit has completed (1) a basic grains study and the data are being						
3.	entered into a computer; (2) has underway a rural infrastructure survey in two regions to provide data for an AID loan paper; (3) has already obtained data from a socio-economic study to determine characteristics of small farms needed for GON action program with small farmers and rural poor.						

IV. PROJECT PURPOSE

A. 1. Statement of purpose as currently envisaged.

(A) To establish within an appropriate entity of the GON a unit which will collect the agricultural statistics required for rural development planning.

2. Same as in PROP? YES

(B) To develop within an appropriate agency of the GON an analytical, planning and evaluation unit for the rural sector.

(C) To establish an effective institutional capacity for planning and managing programs dealing specifically with problems of the rural poor (Institute for Campesino Development).

(Note: This purpose is to be added through revision to current PROP.)

B. 1. Conditions which will exist when above purpose is achieved.

2. Evidence to date of progress toward these conditions.

(A) A 5-man professional staff with 34 sub-professional and supporting personnel in place, trained, operational and fully financed by the GON (Statistics Unit).

(A) Sta. in place with adequate budgetary support, 2 professionals and 6 sub-professionals in training.

(B) An 3-man professional staff with 19 supporting personnel in place, trained and fully financed by GON (Analytical/Planning Unit).

(B) Staff in place with adequate budgetary support; 4 professionals in training.

(C) A 97-man staff consisting of a director, professional and administrative personnel in place, necessary legislation enacted; duly authorized to engage in programs financed by international lending agencies and GON counter part (Institute for Campesino Development).

(C) Director and 3 staff members named and/or assigned; Campesino Institute law drafted and legislation expected mid-March, 1975; central government and Ag. Sector agency cooperation and support improving work in process for developing campesino institute organizational design and operational plan.

V. PROGRAMMING GOAL

A. Statement of Programming Goal

To assist the GON plan, organize and implement long-term development activities.

B. Will the achievement of the project purpose make a significant contribution to the programming goal, given the magnitude of the national problem? Cite evidence.

Yes,

A product of the joint interaction of the Statistics Unit and the Analytical/Planning Unit was an agricultural sector assessment which in turn led to the GON decision to create an institution for dealing with the rural poor. This cited as evidence of the GON's planning and organization; implementation can be observed as programs are financed and initiated.