

PDCAE 167

498-0278

ACTION MEMORANDUM FOR THE ACTING ASSISTANT ADMINISTRATOR, BUREAU FOR ASIA

FROM: A/ASIA/PD, Willy Baum *WBB*

SUBJECT: Asia Regional Project - Regional Private Sector Support Activities (498-0278)

Problem: A Congressional Notification is required to advise Congress that A.I.D. intends to obligate \$350,000 for the subject project in FY 82. The project was not included in the FY 82 Congressional Presentation.

Discussion: This project will be fully funded in FY 82 using the PPC set-aside funds provided to the Asia Bureau for activities supporting private sector objectives in Asia Bureau missions. LOP funding of \$350,000 is from the Selected Development Activities (106) account. An Action Memorandum recommending and requesting your approval of three (3) activities to be carried out with this funding was recently forwarded under separate cover.

Recommendation: That you approve the Congressional Notification by signing on the reverse side of the attached Advice of Program Change.

Attachment:

- A. Advice of Program Change
- B. Memorandum re Proposed Private Sector Activities

Clearances:

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AGENCY FOR INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT

ADVICE OF PROGRAM CHANGE

COUNTRY:	Asia Regional
PROJECT TITLE:	Regional Private Sector Support Activities
PROJECT NUMBER:	498-0278
FY 82 CP REFERENCE:	None
APPROPRIATION CATEGORY:	Selected Development Activities
LIFE-OF-PROJECT FUNDING:	\$350,000 Grant
INTENDED FY 82 OBLIGATION:	\$350,000 Grant

This is to advise that A.I.D. intends to obligate \$350,000 in FY 82 funds from the Selected Development Activities Account for the Asia Regional Private Sector Support Activities project. This is a new project and was not included in the FY 82 CP.

The purpose of the project is to carry out three separate activities, two in Indonesia and one in Thailand, which will promote private sector initiatives and investments in the fisheries, fructose, sugar and natural gas sectors. The specific activities are described in the attached Activity Data Sheet.

Annex: Activity Data Sheet

Clearances:

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**AGENCY FOR INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT
ACTIVITY DATA SHEET**

PROGRAM: Asia Regional

CP 81-04 (2-78)

TITLE Regional Private Sector Support Activities		FUNDING SOURCE Selected Development Activities	PROPOSED OBLIGATION (In thousands of dollars)		
			FY 82	\$350	LIFE OF PROJECT (Auth.) \$350
NUMBER 498-UZ78	NEW <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	PRIOR REFERENCE None	INITIAL OBLIGATION FY 82	ESTIMATED FINAL OBLIGATION FY 82	ESTIMATED COMPLETION DATE OF PROJECT FY 83
GRANT <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	LOAN <input type="checkbox"/>				
	CONTINUING <input type="checkbox"/>				

Purpose: To support private sector activities in Asia Bureau countries that will contribute to broad development goals, particularly the promotion of investments that will create sustainable employment and assist in technology transfer.

Background: The Asia Bureau is increasing its efforts to find ways for the private sector, both indigenous groups and U.S. companies, to participate in development. To this end a number of actions have been taken including proposed bilateral private sector projects in Indonesia, Thailand and other countries. There are large numbers of activities, however, which will not fall under the proposed projects but are worthwhile in terms of the relatively small investment A.I.D. is asked to make. For convenience they are being grouped under this Asia Regional project.

Project Description: The project has three separate activities:

(1) A Technical Review Mission to Indonesia for Fisheries to investigate investment and export potential in tuna fishing as well as other marine fishing industries; (2) a Technical Review Mission to Indonesia for High Fructose and Sugar to look into potentials for high fructose syrup production from corn or cassava as well as sugar cane and sugar by-products; (3) a Symposium in Thailand for Natural Gas Distribution and Utilization, which will be very useful in assisting Thailand to move forward with plans for efficient utilization of its abundant natural gas resources.

Relation of Project to A.I.D. Strategy: As mentioned above each of the three activities will respond to A.I.D.'s private sector strategy. They are also consistent with A.I.D.'s specific developmental strategies for Indonesia and Thailand.

Beneficiaries: The direct beneficiaries will be users of the information generated by the three activities including private investors, businesses and government agencies charged with promoting the specific sectors. The eventual beneficiaries will be individuals employed in these sectors as a result of business activity generated by investors.

Host Country and Other Donors: None.

Major Outputs

Fisheries Mission
High Fructose/Sugar Mission
Natural Gas Symposium

All Years

1
1
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A.I.D.-Financed Inputs

Fisheries Mission
High Fructose/Sugar Mission
Natural Gas Symposium

Life-of-Project (\$ thousands)

50
100
200
Total 350

U.S. FINANCING (In thousands of dollars)				PRINCIPAL CONTRACTORS OR AGENCIES
	Obligations	Expenditures	Unliquidated	
Through September 30, 1980	-	-	-	
Estimated Fiscal Year 1981	-	-	-	
Estimated through September 30, 1981	-	-	-	
		Future Year Obligations	Estimated Total Cost	
Proposed Fiscal Year 1982	350	-	350	