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AGR 71-6

FROM: The Deputy Secretary

November 5, 1971

CONSULTATIVE GROUP ON INTERNATIONAL AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH

1. Further to AGR 71-5, notice of the meeting and agenda, the following documents are attached for the use of participants of the Consultative Group on International Agricultural Research:

✓ (a) Proposed Program and Budget 1972 of the International Center of Tropical Agriculture (Provisional Agenda Item 3a);

✓ (b) 1971 Program Committee Report of the International Maize and Wheat Improvement Center on the Highlights of Past Year and Plans for 1972 (Provisional Agenda Item 3b);

✓ (c) CIMMYT's 1972 and Five Year Proposed Budgets and Staffing Pattern (Provisional Agenda Item 3b);

✓ (d) CIMMYT - A Proposed Five Year Plan 1971-1975 (Provisional Agenda Item 3b);

IITA/4 (e) Program and Budget Presentations - International Institute of Tropical Agriculture (Provisional Agenda Item 3c);

IRRI/4 (f) Proposed Budget - 1972, The International Rice Research Institute (Provisional Agenda Item 3d);

✓ (g) Proposal for an International Crops Research Institute for the Semi-Arid Tropics (ICRISAT) (Provisional Agenda Item 3f); and

✓ (h) International Potato Center (Provisional Agenda Item 3g).

2. At this time only a limited number of copies of these documents are available for distribution.

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AGR 71-7

FROM: The Secretary

November 18, 1971

CONSULTATIVE GROUP ON INTERNATIONAL AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH

1. Attached is the Report of the Technical Advisory Committee to the Consultative Group. Because of time considerations, this Report is circulated in draft form; the final version of the Report will not differ from the draft in any substantive respect. Attention is invited particularly to the recommendations and conclusions contained in Part II of the Report, on pages 59-68.

2. Also attached are two papers to be considered under Agenda Item 6. They are:

a. "Research on Grain Legumes," a paper prepared for the Technical Advisory Committee by M. S. Swaminathan; and

b. "Food Legumes - Position Paper, October 1971," a paper prepared by the TAC secretariat.

3. This completes the documentation for the Consultative Group meeting to be held on December 3 (and very possibly on December 4), except for the following documents:

a. A paper concerning the proposed International Laboratory for Animal Diseases in eastern Africa (Agenda Item 3e), to be prepared by the Rockefeller Foundation and distributed at the time of the meeting. (This subject is also discussed on pages 23-25 and pages 61-62 of the TAC Report.)

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b. A five-year projection of the financial requirements of programs recommended by TAC (Agenda Item 4), to be prepared by the secretariat of the Consultative Group and distributed within a few days.

c. A proposal by the Chairman of TAC concerning the financing of feasibility studies (Agenda Item 6), to be distributed at the meeting.

d. A short paper on proposed procedures and meeting cycles of the Consultative Group and TAC (Agenda Item 7), to be prepared by the secretariat of the Group and distributed at the meeting.

4. On the basis of the information now available, it appears that the total of financing required in the calendar year 1972 for all the research proposals endorsed by TAC (Agenda Item 3) is about $16 million. It should be emphasized that this sum does not include special projects [a/] amounting to about $3.25 million, for which, by definition, financing has been or is being arranged. It also omits two other items: cost overruns on construction already begun or contracted for; and the capital requirements of CIAT, for which firm figures are not available. A breakdown of the $16 million of requirements is shown below.

		Millions of $U.S.	
CIAT			
Core Budget[b/]		2.83	
Capital Budget		n.a.	
	Total		2.83
CIMMYT			
Core Budget		3.70	
Capital Budget		1.32	
	Total		5.02

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a/ Special projects are normally programs of fixed duration which are carried out only if funds are specifically made available for them, and usually at the request of another agency.

b/ Core budgets are generally understood to cover recurring costs of continuing activities carried out as part of a center's essential operations, primarily the research and training activities carried on at headquarters and travel funds for headquarters personnel.

		Millions of $U.S.	
IITA			
Core Budget		3.25	
Capital Budget		0.63	
	Total		3.88
IRRI			
Core Budget		2.57	
Capital Budget		0.36	
	Total		2.93
International Laboratory for Animal Diseases			
Initial Fund		0.50	
	Total		0.50
ICRISAT			
Initial Fund		0.50	
	Total		0.50
International Potato Center			
Bridging Funds		0.36	
	Total		0.36
	Grand Total		16.02

5. Informal statements of intention so far made by donor governments and organizations indicate that they are prepared, subject to necessary approvals and in some cases the availability of funds, to make about $12.6 million available to meet these requirements; and it is expected that additional sums will be indicated at the Consultative Group meeting, particularly by members which so far have not made their intentions known. In addition, the President of the World Bank is prepared to recommend to the Executive Directors of the Bank that the Bank make grants toward these requirements up to a total not to exceed $3 million, provided that the requisite funds are not available from other sources.

6. The Consultative Group will be considering not only specific requests for finance in fiscal 1972 by the seven existing or proposed new international agricultural research institutions endorsed by TAC,

but also five-year budget projections for those institutions (Agenda Item 4); and the Group will need to bear in mind that financing of additional international centers or programs will in all probability be recommended in future years. The TAC Report stresses that long-term support of the research centers is essential for their success. It is therefore urged that representatives come to the Consultative Group meeting prepared not only to be as specific as possible in their indications of support for research activities in calendar 1972 but also to express their position with respect to the longer-term requirements for the research activities so far endorsed by TAC. As far as the requirements for 1972 are concerned, the Ford and Rockefeller Foundations and the World Bank are prepared to be flexible in their choice of programs and their allocation of funds, in order to facilitate the proper matching of requirements and financial availabilities.