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UNDEVPRO

15 OCTOBER, 1975

FREETOWN

LA (Ext.2175)

SIERRA LEONE

SIL/66/506 YRLET 18 SEPTEMBER TRANSMISSION ERROR APPEARS TO HAVE CREPT INTO
CABLE SINCE WE BELIEVE \$129,839 SHOULD REVERT TO IPF STOP THIS LEAVES DISCREPANCY
OF ONE DOLLAR STOP OUR BALANCE CALCULATED BY DEDUCTING TOTAL EXPENDITURE FROM
TOTAL ALLOCATION \$822,059 STOP

REGARDS

GISLE

INTBAFRAD

Peter Gisle

Cleared & cc: Mr.A.Mills(Controller's)

International Relations Dept.

PGisle/eps

Mr. C.F. Amerasinghe (Legal)

1 October, 1975

Peter Gisle (International Relations Dept.)

SIERRA LEONE: Land Transport Survey
(SIL/66/506)

Please find attached for the Bank's records one original fully signed Project Revision Form for the subject project, which we have received from the UNDP Resident Representative in Sierra Leone under cover of his letter dated 18 September, 1975.

We are also attaching an extra copy of this document for your Department files.

Attachments - 1 original Pro.Rev.form
 1 copy " " "
 1 copy letter

cc: Miss M. Lennon (Controller's) }
 Messrs.R.Jones(Controller's) }
 G.Spier(Proj.,W.A.) }
 D.Dutt/G.Abdul(C.P.I,W.A.) }
 Mrs.M.Berta(IRD) } w/copy attachments

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August 19, 1975

UNITED NATIONS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME

FINAL PROJECT REVISION

Country: Sierra Leone
Title: Land Transport Survey
Project Number: SIL/66/506 /E

The above project is hereby revised as per the attached budget.
The expenditures shown are final and the project is hereby terminated.

Submitted on behalf of Executing Agency

Approved on behalf of UNDP

19 Aug 1975
Date

19 September 1978

Project Revision (Final)

Project Budget Covering UNDP Contribution

(in US Dollars)

Country: Sierra Leone

Project No.: SIL/66/506 /E

Project Title: Land Transport Survey

		m/m <u>TOTAL</u> \$	m/m <u>1974</u> \$	m/m <u>1975</u> \$
20.	<u>SUB-CONTRACT COMPONENT</u>			
21	<u>Sub-contracts</u>			
21-01	Sub-contract (1974 & Prior)	534.737	487.130	47.607
29	Component Total	534.737	487.130	47.607
30.	<u>TRAINING COMPONENT</u>			
31	Individual Fellowships (1974 & Prior)	44.791	44.791	-
39	Component Total	44.791	44.791	-
40.	<u>EQUIPMENT COMPONENT</u>			
41	Non-Expendable Equipment (1974 & Prior)	-	15.667	-
49	Component Total	-	15.667	-
50.	<u>MISCELLANEOUS COMPONENT</u>			
54	Direct Costs (1974 & Prior)	97.025	97.025	-
59	Component Total	97.025	97.025	-
99	<u>GRAND TOTAL</u>	692.220	644.613	47.607

UNITED NATIONS
DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME



PROGRAMME DES NATIONS UNIES
POUR LE DEVELOPPEMENT

Bank of Sierra Leone Building, Siaka Stevens Street
P.O. Box 1011, Freetown
Sierra Leone

Telephone: 25311

Telex: 3299

Cable: UNDEVPRO
FREETOWN

Reference: SIL/66/506

18 September 1975

Dear Mr. Gisle,

SIL/66/506 - Land Transport Survey

Please find enclosed a duly signed copy of the above-mentioned Final Project Revision Form. The total expenditure for 1972-1975 is \$86,085 and according to our records the budgeted amount is \$215,923 therefore it was expected that \$129,838 would revert to the IPF while your last cable WASHDC of 10 September indicated an amount of \$129,829.

I should be grateful if you would clarify this small difference in order to enable us to close our accounts.

Your cooperation in this matter would be much appreciated.

Yours sincerely,

W. F. Harper
Williard F. Harper
Resident Representative

Mr. Peter Gisle
International Relations Department
International Bank for Reconstruction
& Development
1818 H Street, N.W.
WASHINGTON D.C. 20433, U.S.A.

cc: Mr.A.Mills(Controllor's)
cc: Mr.C.Amerasinghe(Legal)w/orig.doc.
Miss M.Lennon(Cont.)
Mr.R.Jones "
Mr.G.Spier(Proj.,W.A.)
Messrs.D.Dutt/G.Abd(C.P.I,W.A.)
Mrs.M.Berta(IRD)
IRD file

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SEPTEMBER 9, 1975

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FREETOWN

SIERRA LEONE

HARPER SIL/66/506 LAND TRANSPORT STUDY YRCAD MISC 903 EXPENDITURES 1972 US DOLLARS
5314 COMMA 1973 US DOLLARS 2507 COMMA 1974 30657 AND 1975 47607 STOP SINCE ENTIRE
PROJECT ALLOCATION AMOUNTED TO US DOLLARS 822059 ACCORDING MOST RECENT COMPUTER
RUN US ~~DOLLARS 129,829~~ WILL REVERT TO IPF
DOLLARS 129,829

REGARDS

GISLE

INTBAYRAD

Peter Gisle

cc: Messrs.G.Spier(Proj.,W.A.)
R.Jones(Controllor's)

International Relations Dept.

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Distribution:

Mr. Gisle (E806)

cc Mills (Controller)

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INTAFRAD WASHINGTON

MISC 903 GISEL SIL/66/506 LAND TRANSPORT YRIET 19 AUGUST

DELICATE EXPENDITURE SEPARATELY FOR 1972/1973/1974 AND AMOUNT

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SECTION

AUG 29 1975

August 19, 1975

Mr. Williard Harper
Resident Representative
P. O. Box 1011
Freetown
Sierra Leone

Dear Mr. Harper:

SIL/66/605 Land Transport Study

Hereby, at long last, the Final Revision form for the subject project.

I will look forward to receiving a fully signed document for our records.

Sincerely yours,

Peter Gisle
International Relations Department

cc: G. Spier (Proj. W.A.)
A. Mills (Controller's)
G. Abdi (CP I, W.A.)
M. Doo Kingue (New York)
~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~

Mr. Michel Doo Kingue
Assistant Administrator and Director
Regional Bureau for Africa
United Nations Development Programme
866 United Nations Plaza
New York, N.Y. 10017

August 19, 1975

UNITED NATIONS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME

FINAL PROJECT REVISION

Country: Sierra Leone
Title: Land Transport Survey
Project Number: SIL/66/506

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Submitted on behalf of Executing Agency

Date

Approved on behalf of UNDP

Date

Project Revision (Final)

Project Budget Covering UNDP Contribution

(in US Dollars)

Country: Sierra Leone

Project No.: SIL/66/506

Project Title: Land Transport Survey

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

TO: Mr. Hoffman
FROM: Peter Gisle
SUBJECT: SIERRA LEONE: ~~SEE~~ Land Transport Study

DATE: August 19, 1975

The attached Revision Form closes the books of the subject project. Those concerned agree with the closing and with the figures. Your signature please on the four copies.

PG:thh

Mr. Hoffman

August 19, 1975

Peter Gisle

SIERRA LEONE: ~~the~~ Land Transport Study

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INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT
ASSOCIATION

INTERNATIONAL BANK FOR
RECONSTRUCTION AND DEVELOPMENT

INTERNATIONAL FINANCE
CORPORATION

OUTGOING WIRE

Mr Riley

TO: JARRETT-YASKI
PROFESSIONAL HEAD
MINISTRY WORKS
FREETOWN

DATE: August 15, 1975

CLASS OF LT (2815)
SERVICE:

COUNTRY: SIERRA LEONE

TEXT:

Cable No.: FURTHER OURCAB AUGUST 14 CONCERNING CONSULTANT NEGOTIATIONS FREETOWN
WATERLOO ROAD FINAL ENGINEERING STOP DIWI REPLY ADVISES TRUMPF AND
DAVIES REPRESENTATIVES ARRIVING WASHINGTON AUGUST 20 STOP WOULD
APPRECIATE ATTENDANCE YOUR REPRESENTATIVE NEGOTIATIONS FROM THE
TWENTYFIRST STOP PLEASE CABLE SOONEST TIMING CONVENIENT AND NAME
REPRESENTATIVE STOP REGARDS

SOGES
INTEAFRAD

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AUTHORIZED BY:

NAME F. Soges, Chief

DEPT. WAPIW

SIGNATURE (SIGNATURE OF INDIVIDUAL AUTHORIZED TO APPROVE)

REFERENCE: SIERRA LEONE FREETOWN WATERLOO ROAD

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cc: Messrs. Venkateswaran, Riley,
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TO: EDDAV
FREETOWN

DATE: August 14, 1975

CLASS OF
SERVICE: TELEX NO. 3263

COUNTRY: SIERRA LEONE

TEXT:
Cable No.: RE FREETOWN WATERLOO ROAD PROPOSAL URGENT JULY TEN STOP PROPOSE NEGOTIATIONS
WASHINGTON YOUR CONVENIENCE ANY TIME BETWEEN AUGUST EIGHTEEN AND TWENTYSEVEN
STOP PLEASE CONFIRM ARRIVAL DATES SOONEST REGARDS

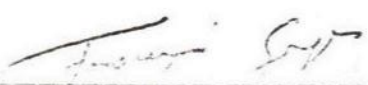
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PROFESSIONAL HEAD
MINISTRY WORKS
FREETOWN

DATE: August 14, 1975

CLASS OF LT
SERVICE:

COUNTRY: SIERRA LEONE

TEXT: REFERENCE FREETOWN WATERLOO ROAD FINAL ENGINEERING HAVE TODAY CABLED
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BETWEEN AUGUST EIGHTEEN AND TWENTYSEVEN STOP PLEASE CONFIRM ARRIVAL DATES
UNQUOTE REGARDS

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AUTHORIZED BY:

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Mr. Gisle (3806) ✓
Mr. Dutt

FREETOWN 14/13 8 1600

Aug. 8, 1975

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cc: Mr. A. Mills (Controller's)
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AUG 11 1975

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FORMS

HARPER

17 JULY, 1975

BOOK OF 2 CARLES

(See below)

LT (Ext.2175)

HARPER INFO SHAPIRO BJUNE LAMUNIERE YOUR 362 AAA SIL/66/506 LAND TRANSPORT
FURTHER MY CABLE JUNE 19 MUCH REGRET WE UNABLE CLOSE ACCOUNTS FOR ANOTHER
WEEK STOP FINAL REVISION WILL HOWEVER BE WITH YOU BEFORE END JULY BBB SIL/71/513
HIGHWAY STUDY LETTER TO DOOKINGUE COPIED TO YOU DATED 18 JUNE COVERS PROJECT
REVISION WHICH INCORPORATES FUNDS FOR EXTENSION AND REPHASING STOP TRUST THIS
SUFFICIENT

REGARDS

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HARPER
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UNDP
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Peter Gisle

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BJUNE LAMUNIERE UNDEVPRO NEWYORK FURTHER MYLET 27 MAY AND
CABLE MISC632 OF 24 JUNE GRATEFUL URGETLY FORWARD FINAL
REVISION FROM SIL/66/506 LAND TRANSPORT SURVEY AND
REPHASED PROJECT BUDGET SIL/71/513 HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE;

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Mr. Gisle (E306)
Mr. Dutt
Mr. Soges

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FREETOWN 33/30 24 1730

June 24, 1975

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WASHINGTON

MISC632 GISLE REYRTEL3299 LAND TRANSPORT SURVEY SIL/66/506
GRATEFUL WORLD BANK PREPARE FINAL REVISION FORM AFTER
CLARIFYING PAYMENTS TO CONSULTANTS TO REVERT UNUTILIZED FUNDS
TO SIL IPF

HARPER

cc:Mr.R.Jones(Controllor's)
TRD

JUN 25 1975

COL MISC632 REYRTEL3299 SIL/66/506

UNDEVPRO

JUNE 19, 1975

FREETOWN

LT (Ext.2175)

SIERRA LEONE

SIL/66/506 TRANSPORT SURVEY YELET 27 MAY AAA SUM UNDER TRAINING REPRESENTS
A CREDIT AND FIGURE 30,657.19 THEREFORE CORRECT REGRET ANY LACK OF CLARITY
HBB HAVE RECENTLY MADE PAYMENT OF DOLLARS 47,607.32 TO CONSULTANTS STOP
THIS PROBABLY FINAL PAYMENT BUT WE UNABLE CONFIRM UNTIL ACKNOWLEDGEMENT
RECEIVED AND WILL CABLE YOU SOONEST CCC WE ALSO EXPECT TO CONFIRM SOONEST
THAT DOLLARS ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY NINE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND THIRTYSEVEN
AND FORTY-NINE CENTS MAY REVERT TO IPF

GISLE

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Peter Gisle

International Relations Dept.

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Cl.&cc: Messrs.G.Spier(Proj.,W.A.)
A.Mills(Controllor's)

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

TO: Mr. Peter Gisle, International Relations Dept. DATE: June 17, 1975
FROM:  Anthony A. Mills (Through Robert Jones), Controller's
SUBJECT: Re: UNDP - SIL/66/506 (Prefilled Document)

Further to your note to us of June 12 and the resident representative letter of May 27 to Mr. Hoffman regarding the above project, we have the following comments:

- 1) The amount of \$316.24 listed under training is a credit therefore the total amount of \$30,657.19 shown is correct.
- 2) We have just made the final payment of \$47,607.32 to the consultants and await their acknowledgement of receipt.
- 3) The final payment would be deducted from the unutilized balance of \$177,444.81 in 1975 therefore, at this time we would see no further necessity for retaining any more funds (\$129,837.49) under the subcontract or any of the other components.

AAMills:em



WORLD BANK GROUP

ROUTING SLIP		DATE June 12, 1975	
NAME		ROOM NO.	
Mr.G.Spier(Proj.,W.Africa)		C-322	
Mr.R.Jones(Controller's)		N-433	
	APPROPRIATE DISPOSITION		NOTE AND RETURN
	APPROVAL		NOTE AND SEND ON
	COMMENT		PER OUR CONVERSATION
	FOR ACTION		PER YOUR REQUEST
	INFORMATION		PREPARE REPLY
	INITIAL		RECOMMENDATION
	VOTE AND FILE		SIGNATURE
REMARKS			
<p>Here we go again!</p> <p>Thought this matter was settled during Mr. Blinkhorn's visit.</p> <p>What shall we say now? Please send me something.</p>			
Peter Gisle			
FROM	Int.Rel.Dept.	ROOM NO. E-806	EXTENSION 2175

UNITED NATIONS
DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME



PROGRAMME DES NATIONS UNIES
POUR LE DEVELOPEMENT

Bank of Sierra Leone Building, Siaka Stevens Street
P.O. Box 1011, Freetown
Sierra Leone

Telephone: 5311

Cable: UNDEVPRO
FREETOWN

Reference: PRO/300/CDF

27 May, 1975.

Dear Mr. Hoffman,

Pre-filled document for Annual Revision of
Project Budgets - Executed by the World
Bank

We have observed from the pre-filled document for Project SIL/66/506 - Land Transport Survey that the amount budgetted for 1974 for all components was \$208,102 and the amount expended \$30,657.19. The breakdown of amounts budgetted and amounts expended in 1974 by component is as follows:

	<u>Budgetted in \$</u>	<u>Actual in \$</u>
Subcontract	\$115,344	30,973.43
Training	10,892	316.24
Equipment	8,833	NIL
Miscellaneous	<u>73,033</u>	<u>NIL</u>
Total	<u>208,102</u>	<u>30,657.19</u>

May I draw your attention to the actual expenditure column for 1974; I would appreciate it if you could clarify the total amount actually spent as it should add to \$31,289.67 instead of \$30,657.19.

The Survey as you know has been completed in 1968 although the fellowship programme continued to be utilized.

The matter of clearing the accounts of this project has been taken up with you since 10 June 1974.

We would therefore appreciate receiving clarification on the unutilized amount of \$177,444.81 or (\$176,812.33) before rephasing it into 1975 particularly since we would expect the release of some funds from the training, equipment and miscellaneous components.

Mr. M.L. Hoffman,
Director,
Department of International Relations,
IBRD,
1818 H St., N.W.
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20433,
U.S.A.

cc: Messrs. G. Spier (Proj., W.A.)
R. Jones (Controller's)
IRD

JUN 12 1975

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UNITED NATIONS

DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME

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CONTINUATION SHEET.....

PRO/300/CDF



UNITED NATIONS

PROGRAMME DES NATIONS UNIES

POUR LE DEVELOPPEMENT

27 May, 1975.

We look forward to an urgent cable reply regarding the amounts that have not been committed under this project which should revert to the IPF of Sierra Leone.

Yours sincerely,

A large, stylized handwritten signature in dark ink, which appears to read 'Williard F. Harper', is written over the typed name and title.

Williard F. Harper,
Resident Representative.

cc. Mr. Bjune,
Senior Finance Officer,
Regional Bureau for Africa,
UNDP
NEW YORK
U.S.A.

Mr. Charles La Muniere,
Chief,
West Africa Division
Regional Bureau For Africa,
UNDP,
NEW YORK,
U.S.A.

File

SL 66/506 Highway Study

The final Proj. Rev. form ~~is~~ will
being finalized by H. Blunkhous
during his period visit to Siena
Leone

P Giste

5/1/75

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SOCIETÀ GENERALE PER PROGETTAZIONI, CONSULENZE E PARTECIPAZIONI

Società per azioni - Sede in Roma - Capitale Lire 1.500.000.000 - Interamente versato

00147 ROMA - VIA GIORGIONE, 163

Rome,

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To the
MINISTRY OF FINANCE
Secretariat Building
George Street

DA 21353

FREETOWN
(Sierra Leone)

Copy to:

Mr. Robert Jones
Chief, Special Programs Section
Administrative Expense Division
International Bank for
Reconstruction and Development
1818 H Street, N.W.

WASHINGTON - D.C. 20433
(U.S.A.)

Re.: Contract U.N.D.P. for Land Transport Survey in Sierra Leone dated April 15, 1966 and Agreement of July 24, 1969 for Highway Administration Training Program

In compliance with the provisions of Art. III^o - Section 3.01 (c) of the subject contract and Appendixes A3 and C3 - Sheets 4-5 - of the Agreement in question, we are enclosing herewith, for your approval four copies of our "Itemized Statement Nr. 16/T.P." of the charges in foreign currency for the Editing and Printing of Instructors hand books.

Kindly provide to forward the foregoing statement to the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development of Washington asking them to pay the amount of Lit. 23,575,840, by crediting our account with the "Banca Commerciale Italiana - Sede di Roma".

Thanking you in advance, we are

Yours truly,

Encl.

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SOCIETÀ PER AZIONI
UN DIRETTORE

(ING. P. CORDIGNANO)

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SOCIETÀ GENERALE PER PROGETTAZIONI, CONSULENZE E PARTECIPAZIONI

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00147 ROMA - VIA GIORGIONE, 163

Rome, January 14, 1972

To the
MINISTRY OF FINANCE
Secretariat Building
George Street

FREETOWN
(Sierra Leone)

Re.: Contract U.M.D.P. for Land Transport Survey in Sierra Leone dated April 15, 1966 and Agreement of July 24, 1969 for Highway Administration Training Program

ITEMIZED STATEMENT Nr. 16/T.P.

of the charges in foreign currency for
miscellaneous expenses and contingencies:

- Drafting, translation, editing and printing of Instructors Hand books		Lit. 23,150,000
- Shipping of Instructors Hand books (see our letter of 14/1/70 to IBRD and IBRD's telex of 2/2/1970) :		
4/6/71 Road Machinery Operators - Preface		
4/6/71 Road Machinery Operators - Exercise Units - 1-19		
- AEIA's invoice Nr. 3116-1 of 30/6/1971	Lit. 68,330	
- Our receipt for printed matters	" 3,990	
- " " " " "	" 5,130	
- " " " " "	" 10,260	
		" 87,710
19/10/71 Road Machinery Maintenance Mechanics Preface		

C. F.

Lit. 23,237,710

B. F.

Lit. 23,237,710

19/10/71 Road Machinery Maintenance
Mechanics Preface -
Exercise Units 1-47

(ABIA's invoice Nr. 4662-1
of 31/10/1971)

" 338,130

Lit. 23,575,840

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Rome,

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DA 21002

To the
MINISTRY OF FINANCE
Secretariat Building
George Street

FREETOWN
(Sierra Leone)

Copy to:

Mr. Robert Jones
Chief, Special Programs Section
Administrative Expense Division
International Bank for
Reconstruction and Development
1818 H Street, N.W.

WASHINGTON - D.C. 20433
(U.S.A)

Re.: Contract U.N.D.P. for Land Transport Survey in Sierra Leone, dated
April 15, 1966 and Agreement of July 24, 1969 for the study of
Highway Administration

In compliance with the provisions of Art. III° - Section 3.01
(e) of the subject contract and Appendix C1 - Sheet 4 - of the Agreement
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Kindly provide to forward the foregoing Statement to the Inter
national Bank for Reconstruction and Development of Washington asking them
to pay the amount of U\$S 1,770.61 by crediting it to our account with the
"Banca Commerciale Italiana - Sede di Roma".

Thanking you in advance, we are

Yours truly,

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Rome, December 2, 1971

To the
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FREETOWN
(Sierra Leone)

Re.: Contract U.N.D.P. for Land Transport Survey in Sierra Leone,
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Kindly provide to forward the foregoing Statement to the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development of Washington asking them to pay the amount of US\$ 4,438.23 by crediting it to our account with the "Banca Commerciale Italiana - Sede di Roma".

Thanking you in advance, we are

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Bank of Sierra Leone Building, Siaka Stevens Street
P.O. Box 1011, Freetown
Sierra Leone

Telephone: 5311

Cable: UNDEVPRO
FREETOWN
Reference:

MOST URGENT

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26th February 1975.

Dear Mr. Hoffman,

Clearance of account of SIL/66/506
Land Transport Survey

Could you kindly and urgently send us final revision form and close your account for SIL/66/506 "Land Transport Survey".

The delay in supplying the information has been a source of much inconvenience. It would therefore assist us greatly if you could kindly give this matter your personal attention.

Yours sincerely,

C. N. Coombes
SAA/CR
Officer-in-Charge

Mr. M. L. Hoffman,
Director,
Department of International Relations
IERD
1813 H St., N.W.
WASHINGTON, DC. 20433,
U.S.A.

c.c. Mr. M. Doo Kingue,
Asst. Administrator
& Director,
Regional Bureau for Africa,
UNDP, NEW YORK

Mr. Gunner Bjune,
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<p>MARKS <u>Re: Sierra Leone SIL-66-506</u></p> <p>Further to our telephone conversation I have attached two sets of invoices , Italconsult expenses on the above study. We are still missing two invoices(as indicated in the correspondence). I wonder whether we should try and obtain copies of the missing invoices from the consultants(since its safe to assume that the Government has lost everything) and then submit the entire set of invoices to the UNDP Res. Rep. for handling. Please let me know what you think. I am embarrassed about this whole matter, no fault of my own.</p>			
FROM <i>AAM</i> AAMills		ROOM NO. N-432	EXTENSION 5592

March 19, 1974

ITALCONSULT
Sede in Roma
Via Pastrengo 16
Rome, Italy

Dear Sirs:

We have arranged to deposit Lit. 20,287,596 to your account with Banca Commerciale Italiana, Sede di Roma in connection with your contract on the UNDP - Sierra Leone Land Transport Survey. This payment is as follows:

(1) Highway Administration

Invoices No. 3/H.A. - 6/H.A. \$ 6,506.00

(2) Land Transport Survey

Itemized Statement - No. 14 (Final) \$ 24,467.43
\$ 30,973.43

Equivalent to Lit. 20,287,596

We have not received the Government's approval on the following invoices:

(1) Highway Administration
Invoice No. 7/H.A.

\$ 1,770.61 ✓

(2) Highway Administration
Training Program

Invoices No. 13/TP \$ 4,438.23 ✓
14/TP 2,503.45
15/TP 1,473.06
16/TP Lit. 23,575,840 ✓

As soon as the above approved statements are received we will proceed to settle the accounts.

Very truly yours

Robert Jones
Chief, Special Programs Section
Administrative Expense Division

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Rome, December 2, 1971

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Kindly provide to forward the foregoing statement to the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development of Washington asking them to pay the amount of Lit. 23,575,840, by crediting our account with the "Banca Commerciale Italiana - Sede di Roma".

Thanking you in advance, we are

Yours truly,

Encl.

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UN DIRETTORE
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Rome, January 14, 1972

To the
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(Sierra Leone)

Re.: Contract U.N.D.P. for Land Transport Survey in Sierra Leone dated April 15, 1966 and Agreement of July 24, 1969 for Highway Administration Training Program

ITEMIZED STATEMENT Nr. 16/T.P.

of the charges in foreign currency for
miscellaneous expenses and contingencies:

- Drafting, translation, editing and printing of Instructors Hand books		Lit. 23,150,000
- Shipping of Instructors Hand books (see our letter of 14/1/70 to IBRD and IBRD's telex of 2/2/1970) :		
4/6/71 Road Machinery Operators - Preface		
4/6/71 Road Machinery Operators - Exercise Units - 1-19		
- AEIA's invoice Nr. 3116-1 of 30/6/1971	Lit. 68,330	
- Our receipt for printed matters	" 3,990	
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		" 87,710
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C. F.

Lit. 23,237,710

B. F.

Lit. 23,237,710

19/10/71 Road Machinery Maintenance
Mechanics Preface -
Exercise Units 1-47

(AEIA's invoice Nr. 4662-1
of 31/10/1971)

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Lit. 23,575,840

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Rome, October 18, 1974

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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20433
U.S.A.

Re: Contract UNDP for Land Transport Survey in Sierra Leone,
dated April 15, 1966 and Agreement of July 24, 1969 for
the study of Highway Administration and Highway Adminis-
tration on Training Program

Dear Sirs,

... Since we feel that our letter dated April 9th, 1974
might have gone astray, may we attach herewith a copy of the
same.

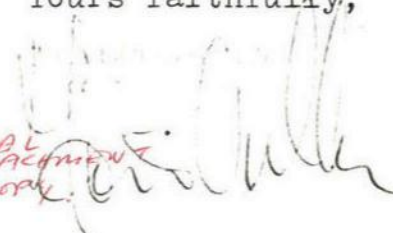
Would you be so kind as to give the necessary ins-
tructions in order to forward these invoices with your appro-
val to IBRD for payment (with cc. to us).

Best regards

Yours faithfully,

Encl.

cc: Messrs. R. Jones (Controller's) - w/ORIGINAL
T. Blinkhorn (C.P.I., W. Africa) - w/copy
✓ IRD - w/copy ATTACHMENT



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Rome, April 9, 1974

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To the
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SIERRA LEONE (Sierra Leone)

Copy to :

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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20433
U.S.A.

Re : Contract UNDP for Land Transport Survey in Sierra Leone,
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the Study of Highway Administration and Highway Admini-
stration Training Program.

Dear Sirs,

With reference to the above mentioned contract and
following our letter M/C. 0436 of January 25, 1974 please be
informed that the International Bank for Reconstruction and
Development has not yet received your approval of the follow-
ing invoices (see IBRD's letter of March 19, 1974 enclosed
herewith) :

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Kindest regards,

c.c. Mrs. Aiello
D.A.

(Signature)

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Bank of Sierra Leone Building, Siaka Stevens Street
P.O. Box 1011, Freetown
Sierra Leone

Cable: UNDEVPRO
FREETOWN
Reference:

Telephone: 5311

PRO/471
SIL/66/506

10th June, 1974.

Dear Mr. Hoffman,

Release of Unused funds under Project
SIL/66/506 Land Transport Survey

We have observed from the Quarterly Delivery Report issued by the Management Information Services of UNDP for the quarter ending 31 December 1973 that an amount of \$210,609 was allocated for 1973 but only \$2,507 has been expended. Please let us know what prospects there are for clearing this amount and forward us copies of Italconsult's invoices. If it is a matter of getting the Ministry of Works to approve them, we might be able to help.

Yours sincerely,

Alfred Edward
for Alfred Edward
Resident Representative

Mr. M. L. Hoffman,
Director,
Department of International Relations
International Bank for Reconstruction
and Development,
1818 H St., N.W.
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20433,
USA

cc: Mr. G. Spier (Proj., W. Africa)
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c.c. Mr. L. Shapiro,
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LOAN COMMITTEE

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MEMORANDUM TO THE LOAN COMMITTEE

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Sierra Leone - First Highway Project

1. The Committee is requested to consider, without meeting, the attached memorandum of July 27, 1970 from the Western Africa Department, entitled "Sierra Leone - The Proposed First Highway Project" (LC/0/70-85).
2. Comments, if any, should be sent to reach Mr. Ram (ext. 4788) by 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, July 30.
3. It is planned then, if the Committee approves, to inform the Government that the Bank and the Association are prepared to begin negotiations for the proposed loan and credit on the terms and conditions referred to in the attached memorandum.

David Pearce
Secretary
Loan Committee

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July 27, 1970

LOAN COMMITTEE

Memorandum from the Western Africa Department

SIERRA LEONE - The Proposed First Highway Project

Introduction

1. The attached report entitled "Appraisal of the First Highway Project" (No. PTR-58 dated July 23, 1970) recommends a project as a suitable basis for a Bank loan of US\$4 million equivalent for a term of 22 years (including a 4-year grace period) and a credit of US\$3.5 million equivalent to the Government of Sierra Leone to finance its foreign exchange cost. The project was appraised by a Bank Mission in February/March 1970.
2. The Five Year Lending Program (1971-75) for Sierra Leone is attached. The proposed project, which is definitely scheduled for FY 1971, would be the Bank Group's fourth operation in Sierra Leone. The earlier commitments are US\$7.7 million in two loans for power expansion to the Sierra Leone Electricity Corporation and a credit of US\$3 million to the Government for an education project. The Electricity Corporation has a number of management problems resulting from labor unrest; the retirement of the previous General Manager in 1969; and the depletion of experienced senior staff. For these reasons the second power expansion project is not on schedule. An experienced expatriate, selected with the Bank's approval, has recently taken over as General Manager of the Corporation. He is expected to improve the affairs of the Corporation and speed up the implementation of the second project.
3. The only other project under active consideration and likely to come up for consideration by the Loan Committee during this FY is a cocoa/rice project for which a feasibility study has been recently completed by the Commonwealth Development Corporation acting as consultants to the Bank Group.

The Project

4. The proposed project would consist of (a) construction of the Bo-Kenema road (43 miles); (b) detailed engineering with retroactive financing of Bo-Kenema and Freetown-Waterloo roads (rural section); (c) feasibility studies to be followed by detailed engineering (if found justified) of 5 miles of the urban section of the Freetown-Waterloo road;

(d) purchase of mechanical equipment and spare parts; and (e) technical assistance for the Ministry of Works. The project is in line with the recommendation of a UNDP-financed Land Transport Survey for which the Bank acted as Executing Agency. The Survey identified and prepared feasibility studies for certain roads which have high priority in the development of the road transport system.

5. The estimated total cost of the project is US\$10.4 million equivalent. The Bank Group financing of US\$7.5 million would cover all the foreign exchange requirements of the project. The Government would meet the local costs. The weighted average rate of return on the project as a whole would be about 24 percent. The Ministry of Works will be in overall charge of the administration and execution of the project and will carry it out with the assistance of contractors and consultants. The Government would undertake to follow the Bank's Guidelines for Procurement. Construction will be carried out through contracts awarded on the basis of international competitive bidding and mechanical equipment will be purchased on the basis of international tenders. The project is expected to be completed in about 3 years and the disbursement would take about 4 years.

6. The largest part of the project -- the proposed Bo-Kenema road -- would be the last section to be completed of the country's main trunk highway between Freetown and Kenema. Bo and Kenema are the second and third largest towns in Sierra Leone; both are important administrative and commercial centers. The road would serve a diamond mining area populated by about 500,000 people and producing nearly all the country's cocoa and coffee exports, and 20 percent of palm kernel exports as well as some timber for domestic use.

7. Until about a decade ago the Sierra Leone railway, single track, narrow gauge, completed in 1908 with an overall length of 310 miles, played an important part in moving people and goods within the country. Since 1950 it has not met its operating costs and in recent years the Government has been subsidizing it at about US\$1.2 million per year. It has outlived its useful economic life and ought to have been phased out years ago. As the railway is the largest employer in the country, the Government was reluctant to do so and risk the unpopularity of creating large-scale unemployment. The UNDP study recommended phasing out the railway be completed by the end of 1972. The present Government has taken the economically wise but politically unpopular decision to phase out the railways and in pursuance of this decision closed the branch line of the railway in 1969. It proposes to complete the phasing out by 1972.

8. The transport needs of the country will have to be met by organizing an efficient and reliable road transport system and in the coming years Government will have to concentrate all its attention on development of certain high priority highways and proper maintenance of existing highways which have been neglected for a number of years.

9. The Government have formulated a Five Year Highway Development Plan (1971-75) for construction and maintenance of highways within the country, following the recommendations of the Land Transport Study. The total estimated expenditure would be US\$48 million, practically double the amount spent during the previous 5 years. The Government expects to secure the foreign exchange requirements of about US\$21 million from external sources and to contribute the balance of US\$27 million from its own resources. During the last year, financing for construction of two of the five high priority roads was covered by bilateral financial assistance from the Federal Republic of Germany and the United Kingdom. Taking into consideration the proposed project and the financing for the Freetown-Waterloo road which is included in the Bank's Five Year Lending Program, foreign financing remains to be found only for the construction of the Makeni-Matotoka road. The Federal Republic of Germany, which has financed construction of a sector of this road from Lunsar to Makeni, would be requested by Government to finance this road. The local resources required for financing the program are within the financial capacity of the country.

10. The Committee is invited to pay particular attention to the following:

- (a) It is proposed to obtain assurances from the Government limiting new suppliers' credit to US\$2 million per year over the next years (please see para. 13 below).
- (b) The proposed retroactive financing of the detailed engineering of the foreign exchange cost of the Bo-Kenema and Freetown-Waterloo roads (rural sections).

After clearance with the chairman of the Loan Committee, the Bank informed the Sierra Leone Government that it would consider financing engineering under (b) retroactively to enable the proposed construction project to be prepared as quickly as possible. The amount of retroactive financing is not likely to exceed US\$500,000 (para. 4.05 of the Appraisal Report).

- (c) An amount of about \$0.9 million proposed for financing the feasibility study and detailed engineering of the Freetown-Waterloo road and technical assistance (paras. 4.01(c) and (e) of the Appraisal Report) is provisional.

Government were not certain that UNDP funds for item (c) above would be available without prejudicing their pending requests for planning assistance and assistance for carrying out a vocational training program. The planning assistance program has since been approved in June 1970 and the vocational program is likely to be presented to the Governing Council in January 1971. As a result of recent contacts with UNDP, we understand that while UNDP may not be able to submit a request on (c) above (if made by Government) to the Governing Council earlier than June 1971, there is possibility of provisionally approving the proposal and making an advance

allocation of up to \$300,000 for expenditure up to June 1971. This question will be discussed with the Sierra Leone delegation in the course of negotiations; should it be possible to obtain sufficient assurance from UNDP before presentation of loan/credit to the Executive Directors, as we think it might be possible, so that we would be able to regard their financing as firm even though this would not be formalized until mid-1971, the Bank loan would be reduced by approximately \$900,000. Normally it would have been logical to wait until the Government has received a firm commitment from UNDP, but given the history of this project and the need to start construction by October to take advantage of the dry season this year and avoid another delay, we believe this loan/credit should now be processed forthwith.

The Economy

11. Reviewing the Economic Policy Memorandum (EC/O/69-1 dated January 3, 1969) the Economic Committee observed on January 10, 1969 that there has been a remarkable improvement in the foreign exchange reserves and continued satisfactory budgetary performance (EC/M/69-3 dated January 30, 1969). The Committee recommended, subject to continued improvement in economic performance, that Sierra Leone be considered eligible for a blend of Bank Group assistance of approximately US\$6 million annually for the next five years. The Committee agreed that limited domestic savings justified external financing to the extent of 70/80 percent of project costs, but where a significant proportion of local currency financing was involved in Bank Group projects each case would have to be examined in the light of up-to-date information and overall development needs and priorities.

12. The Economic Mission that visited Sierra Leone in November/December 1969 has noted further improvement in the country's economic performance. Rice production, which represents about 40 percent of the agricultural output, has grown by 8.5 percent in 1968, slightly above the average of the previous three years. There was a dramatic recovery in the production of export crops in 1968 followed by a modest increase in 1969. Growth in the relatively small manufacturing sector has also been impressive. Over the 2-year period 1968/69 the value of domestic exports increased by 85 percent while imports increased only about 35 percent. The combined effect of restraint in Government expenditure and boosts in revenues from customs duties following the 1967 devaluation has produced an unprecedented surplus in the budget of 15 percent of current revenues compared to either a negligible surplus or a deficit in previous years.

13. The most important recent development is Government's decision in December 1969 to acquire the majority of shares in four foreign-owned mining companies which together provide 50 percent of export earnings. Negotiations with some of these companies are under way on the amount and duration of compensation payments, on the question of day-to-day management of the companies and future taxation policy. Pending satisfactory negotiated arrangements with the mining companies, economic prospects are

somewhat uncertain. Government is also under strong pressure to produce visible signs of development and to reduce the growing unemployment. An IMF standby arrangement which included a number of monetary and financial constraints is scheduled to end this summer. There may, therefore, be strong pressure to resort to deficit financing and financing by suppliers' credit. Based on the findings of the Economic Mission, this Department recommended in the Country Program Paper for Sierra Leone dated April 30, 1970 that we should take the opportunity of the forthcoming negotiations for the Highway Construction Project to obtain assurances from the Government on limiting the Government's contraction of suppliers' credit to US\$2 million a year for the next years. Review of this paper was made by the President on May 6, 1970 and this recommendation was approved. The assurance may be either in the form of a covenant in the Loan Agreement or a separate Letter of Understanding from Government. We propose to be flexible regarding the form of assurance.

14. A new economic report will be circulated to Executive Directors before presentation of this loan/credit. The report is presently being discussed with Government including the supplier credit question.

Recommendation

15. I concur with the recommendations of the Appraisal Report and I recommend that the Government of Sierra Leone be invited to negotiate a loan/credit up to \$7.5 million for the proposed First Highway Project on the terms and conditions set forth in paras. 6.01 - 6.03 of the Appraisal Report and para. 13 of this memorandum.

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