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JUN 30 1970

Monsieur Albert Ndele
Gouverneur de la Banque Nationale
du Congo
Kinshasa
République démocratique du Congo

Monsieur le Gouverneur,

De retour de mon voyage en Colombie, je tiens à vous dire combien j'ai regretté que mon emploi du temps extrêmement chargé la veille de mon départ, m'ait empêché de vous voir lors de votre récent séjour à Washington.

Heureusement, vous avez pu prendre contact avec M. Knapp, M. Gaud et M. Lejeune et grâce à eux j'ai pu être tenu au courant de l'objet de votre visite et de l'importance des questions que vous souhaitiez soulever avec moi.

Je ne puis que me féliciter des entretiens que vous avez eus avec M. Gaud sur le projet minier de Tenke.

En ce qui concerne l'évacuation de la production minière du Katanga, nous restons décidés à vous apporter notre aide pour trouver la solution à long terme qui, en fonction de l'accroissement prévisible de la production, s'avérerait la plus économique. En effet, mes services sont actuellement en train d'examiner les études existantes tant dans le domaine du transport fluvial que ferroviaire. De toute façon, j'espère sincèrement que pour répondre aux besoins de transport immédiat le Groupe de la Banque Mondiale pourra continuer à être associé à la remise en état de la Voie Nationale existante.

Enfin j'ai été très intéressé par votre désir de promouvoir le développement agricole de votre pays dans le cadre d'un programme de cinq ans. La présence de notre représentant résident, M. de Ascarate, à Kinshasa à partir du mois de juillet pourra être d'une grande utilité dans ce sens car vous pourrez préciser avec lui votre pensée en ce qui concerne le développement de ce secteur.

En conclusion, je puis vous donner toutes les assurances que le Groupe de la Banque Mondiale est décidé à participer dans les années à venir au développement économique du Congo et à apporter, le cas échéant, son concours financier pour des projets économiquement justifiés. Je puis également vous assurer que dans toute la mesure du possible, nous essaierons d'avoir une action efficace et rapide. Je saisis l'occasion de cette lettre pour transmettre, en mon nom personnel et au nom du Groupe de la Banque, toutes mes chaleureuses félicitations à Son Excellence le Président de la République pour le dixième anniversaire de l'indépendance du Congo.

En espérant avoir très prochainement une autre possibilité de vous revoir, je vous prie de recevoir, Monsieur le Gouverneur, les assurances de ma haute considération.

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara
Robert S. McNamara

Mr. Albert Ndele
Governor of the National Bank
of the Congo
Kinshasa
Democratic Republic of the Congo

JUN 30 1970

Dear Governor Ndele:

Now that I have returned from my visit to Colombia, I should like to tell you how sorry I was that my timetable the day before my departure prevented me from seeing you when you recently came to Washington. Fortunately you were able to see Messrs Knapp, Gaud and Lejeune and they have informed me of the important subjects you wanted to discuss with me.

I am glad that you had extensive talks with Mr. Gaud on the Tenke mining project.

Regarding the evacuation of Katanga's mineral production we remain prepared to assist you in finding the solution which, in the long run, and considering the foreseeable increase of copper output, would prove to be the most economic. Members of my staff are reviewing the existing studies for river transport as well as railroads. However, for the more immediate transport requirements, I trust that the World Bank Group will be able to continue to assist you in the rehabilitation of the existing Voie Nationale.

I was very interested to hear that you would like to promote agriculture within the framework of a five-year program. The presence of our resident representative, Mr. de Ascarate, who will arrive in Kinshasa early next month, may be of great help in this respect and it would seem desirable that you indicate to him your views on the development of this very important sector of the economy of the Congo.

I should like to assure you that the World Bank Group is determined to participate in the years to come in the economic development of the Congo and to consider giving its financial support to economically justified projects. I can also assure you that we shall try to the extent possible to be efficient and expedient. Finally, I should be grateful if you would offer my warmest congratulations to His Excellency the President of the Republic on the 10th anniversary of the independence of the Congo, and I hope very much to have the opportunity of seeing you soon.

Yours sincerely,

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara

Robert S. McNamara

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JUN 30 1970

Dear Mr. Scheyven:

Thank you for your invitation to the World Bank to be represented at the meeting which you plan to convene in Brussels, in November 1970, to disseminate information in Belgian circles about the programme of the United Nations Development Programme.

The Bank will be represented at the meeting and we will notify you of the name of our representative in due course.

I would appreciate it if you would send any additional information concerning the meeting to Mr. Richard H. Demuth, Director, Development Services Department.

Sincerely,

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara

Robert S. McNamara

Mr. R. Scheyven
Ministre de la Cooperation au Developpement
Direction de la Cooperation Multilaterale
Office de la Cooperation au Developpement
Ministere des Affaires Etrangeres et du
Commerce Exterieur
Building A.G.
5, place du Champ de Mars
Brussels 5, Belgium

MLHoffman/pnn
June 24, 1970

cc: Mr. McNamara's files (2)
Mr. Demuth

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NEW YORK

JUNE 23⁴, 1970

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UNITED STATES

VERY MUCH WELCOME YOUR APPOINTMENT OF RAUL PREBISCH AS YOUR
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE IN CONNECTION WITH PERUVIAN DISASTER.
WE WILL GLADLY COOPERATE AND WORLD BANK TRANSPORT EXPERTS NOW
IN PERU AS PART OF UN MISSION WILL CONTACT HIM LIMA. REGARDS

ROBERT S. McNAMARA

EFranco/HNGraves/pnn
DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

cc: Mr. Knapp
Cleared with and cc: Mr. Alter
cc: Mr. Zinman

488 / 4 / 258

June 24, 1970

Dear Prince Radziwill:

The documents which you requested in your note to me of June 19 are enclosed herewith.

I, too, am sorry that I was not able to meet you when you called on Mr. McNamara.

With best regards,

Sincerely,

(Miss) Polly Yates
Secretary to
Mr. McNamara

Prince S. A. Radziwill
11/15, Arlington Street
London, S.W. 1, England

Encl: Ltr to Prince Radziwill fm P. Donovan, High Commissioner for Australia, 6/5/70
Paper: Fertilizer Plant & Distribution Scheme - Indonesia
Blue folder: Fertilizer Plant and Distribution System - North Sumatra
(Joint Venture Thyssenrohr International GMBH, Germany and Waagner-Biro
AG, Austria)

488/4/257

JUN 23 1970

Dear Mr. Maheu:

Thank you for sending me, with your letter of June 12, copies of the decision adopted by the Executive Board of Unesco on the report of the Pearson Commission and the document which contained your comments on the report. We have found both papers of interest.

I, too, regret that you were unable to be present at the inauguration of the new European Office of the World Bank Group. I look forward to our meeting again on another occasion.

Sincerely,

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara

Robert S. McNamara

Mr. Rene Maheu
Director-General
United Nations Educational,
Scientific and Cultural
Organization
Place de Fontenoy
Paris 17e, France

SEB:tsb

cc: Office of the President (2)

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June 23, 1970

Dear Mr. Minister:

Thank you for your letter of June 12 in which you confirm the message which I had received through Mr. Stone that South Africa would be prepared to contribute an amount of \$3 million (in three annual instalments of \$1 million) towards the Third Replenishment of the resources of the International Development Association.

While I naturally regret that your Government has not felt able to contribute to a replenishment of \$800 million an amount corresponding to the full share assumed by South Africa in the past, I nevertheless understand the reasons which have led you to this decision. I am grateful to you for setting out these so fully in your letter.

Sincerely,

Robert S. McNamara

Dr. The Honorable
Nicolaas Diederichs
Minister of Finance
Ministry of Finance
Union Buildings
Pretoria
Republic of South Africa

cc: Mr. Stone
Sir Denis

DHFRickett:RSMcN:ml

488/4/255

JUN 22 1970

Dear Mr. de Seynes:

I am writing in response to your letter of June 3 concerning the Second Meeting of the ICC-UN-GATT Economic Consultative Committee, which you plan to have either in October in New York or early December in Paris.

Unfortunately I shall not be able to attend this meeting myself. I have arranged, however, that Mr. William S. Gaud, Executive Vice President of the International Finance Corporation, should attend on my behalf. It is immaterial to Mr. Gaud whether the meeting is held in New York in October or in Paris in December.

Sincerely,

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara

Robert S. McNamara

Mr. Philippe de Seynes
Under-Secretary-General
for Economic and Social Affairs
United Nations
New York 10017, N.Y.

RHDemuth/jg

June 18, 1970

c.c: Office of the President (2)
Mr. W.S. Gaud

*copy to Mr. Paget
Dick when you are*

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June 10, 1970

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Mr. Robert S. McNamara
President
International Bank for Reconstruction
and Development
Washington, D.C.

*met in Washington
I hope we may visit
together.
Bob*

Dear Bob:

In view of your own international interests, I thought you would like to know that we have further expanded our consulting activities abroad by establishing an office in Brussels, Belgium. Under the direction of Mr. Georges Petitpas, a Vice President and Director of our firm, the Brussels office will serve as headquarters for our consulting operations throughout Europe, Africa and the Middle East. The resident staff consists of experienced American consultants drawn from our consulting units in the United States.

Our firm has long been committed to serving business and nonprofit enterprises around the world. Among the many countries in which we have been conducting extensive client studies recently are Australia, Belgium, Germany, Greece, Israel, Italy, Liberia, Mexico (where we also have an office and resident staff), Switzerland and Venezuela. Our clients abroad include American subsidiaries and branch operations, as well as foreign national enterprises.

If at any time you or your associates wish to know more about our consulting capabilities in Europe, please get in touch with me or with Mr. Petitpas in Brussels. Our office address there is shown below.

Sincerely yours,

Richard M. Paget

Richard M. Paget

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488/4/253

June 22, 1970

Dear Otto:

I was delighted to learn that your new Cabinet appointment brings with it the post of Governor of the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development for Norway.

I shall look forward to working with you again and particularly to seeing you in Copenhagen during the Annual Meeting.

With best regards,

Sincerely,

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara

Robert S. McNamara

His Excellency
Otto Grieg Tidemand
Minister of Commerce
and Shipping
Ministry of Commerce
and Shipping
Oslo - Dep., Norway

cc: Mr. Karlsson

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JUN 18 1970

Son Excellence
Monsieur Abdou Diouf
Premier Ministre de la
République du Sénégal
Dakar, Sénégal

Monsieur le Premier Ministre,

Je vous remercie de votre lettre du 20 mai 1970 portant sur les entretiens que le Secrétaire d'Etat au Plan a récemment eus à Washington.

J'ai été très heureux de constater qu'un échange de vues franc et constructif a pu avoir lieu concernant le projet ferroviaire. Je vous confirme également qu'une mission, actuellement à Dakar pour superviser le projet ferroviaire, examine la possibilité de formuler un second projet dans ce secteur.

Pour ce qui est de la SIES, je relève dans votre lettre que vous souhaiteriez qu'une réunion se tienne avec les différents partenaires pour tenter de trouver les solutions les mieux adaptées aux difficultés qui confrontent la société. Comme vous le savez, les problèmes de la SIES et l'avenir de cette société retiennent toute notre attention. Très récemment encore une mission de la SFI a analysé de près la situation sur place et vous a rendu compte de ses conclusions.

Je pense que la mission avait tout lieu d'insister sur le fait que la solution durable des difficultés qu'éprouve la SIES réside principalement dans l'expansion de la production agricole au Sénégal qui devrait se traduire par une reprise de la consommation des engrais. La chute de la production arachidière ainsi que la recherche de mesures correctives préoccupent vivement mes services, et je suis conscient que ces questions retiennent également tout l'intérêt du Gouvernement Sénégalais.

Les mesures nécessaires pour stimuler la production agricole exigeront que des décisions de politique générale soient prises par le Gouvernement. Or, il serait préférable que ces mesures fassent l'objet de discussions entre votre Gouvernement et la Banque avant d'envisager une réunion conjointe avec les autres parties intéressées. Notre récente mission de supervision du projet arachide-mil procède à la rédaction de

son rapport et, dès que ses conclusions seront connues, nous vous écrirons pour examiner les dispositions qui peuvent être prises.

Certaines mesures peuvent cependant être envisagées dans l'intervalle, notamment les efforts visant à commercialiser les engrais à l'extérieur du Sénégal et que vous avez déjà à ma connaissance entrepris d'examiner avec la société. Les représentants de la SFI seraient, pour leur part, heureux de poursuivre des discussions à ce sujet avec votre Gouvernement et les actionnaires, et seraient donc disposés à participer à une réunion à la date et au lieu qui vous conviendront.

Je puis vous assurer que les questions soulevées dans votre lettre continueront de recevoir notre plus grande attention.

Veillez agréer, Monsieur le Premier Ministre, l'assurance de ma très haute considération.

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara

Robert S. McNamara

RChaufournier:pmc
June 17, 1970

Cleared with (in substance) and cc: Messrs. Goffin/Hassid (Projects)
Jaycox (Projects)
Kreuter/Blondel (IFC)

cc: Mr. Kochman (Executive Director)
H.E. Ibrahima Cheikh Fall (Ambassador
of Senegal)

His Excellency
Abdou Diouf
Prime Minister of the
Republic of Senegal
Dakar, Senegal

JUN 18 1970

Dear Mr. Prime Minister:

I wish to thank you for your letter of May 20, 1970 concerning the discussions which the Secretary of State for Planning had recently in Washington. I was very pleased to note that a frank and constructive exchange of views took place on the railroad project. I also wish to confirm that a mission, which is now visiting Dakar to supervise the railroad project, will examine the possibility of formulating a second project in this sector.

With regard to the SIES I note in your letter that you would wish that a meeting be held with the various partners in an attempt to find the solutions best suited to the difficulties confronting the company. As you know, the problems of the SIES and the future of this company are receiving all our attention. Very recently an IFC mission analyzed closely the situation on the spot and reported to you on its findings.

I think the mission was right in stressing that a lasting solution to SIES's difficulties lies primarily in the expansion of agricultural production in Senegal, which should entail a resumption of fertilizer consumption. The drop in groundnut production and the search for remedial action are of deep concern to the Bank, as I know they are to the Senegalese Government. The measures needed to stimulate agricultural production will require policy decisions by the Government which can best be discussed jointly between your Government and the Bank before envisaging a joint meeting with the other interested parties. Our recent supervisory mission on the groundnut/millet project is preparing its report and we will be writing you as soon as the mission's conclusions are available in order to review what steps can be taken.

There are, however, some measures which may be considered in the meantime such as efforts to market fertilizers outside Senegal and which I know you already have been reviewing with the company; representatives of IFC would be happy to continue discussions with your Government and the shareholders on these matters, and would be prepared to take part in a meeting at a time and place convenient to you.

I can again assure you that the matters you raise in your letter will continue to receive our utmost attention.

Sincerely,

RChaufournier:pmc
June 17, 1970

[(Signed)] Robert S. McNamara
Robert S. McNamara

Cleared with (in substance)

and cc: Messrs. Goffin/Hassid (Projects), Jaycox (Projects), Kreuter/Blondel (IFC)

cc: Mr. Kochman (Executive Director)
H.E. Ibrahima Cheikh Fall (Ambassador of Senegal)

Translated by: RASSA

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June 18, 1970

Dear Mr. Minister:

May I use this opportunity to thank you for the generous hospitality extended to my wife and myself, and to my associates, during our recent visit to China. I would like to thank you especially for the delightful dinner which you gave for us.

Our visit to your country was not only most enjoyable but also provided us with an excellent opportunity to acquaint ourselves with your development efforts and the prospects for the future. We were indeed impressed to witness the progress which has been accomplished.

My colleagues and I in the World Bank Group are looking forward to a continuing close relationship with your Government.

Sincerely,

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara

Robert S. McNamara

His Excellency
Y. S. Sun
Minister of Economic Affairs
Taipei, Taiwan

cc: Dr. Chen
Mr. Goodman

JKraske:LEChristoffersen:ml

488/4/250

June 18, 1970

Dear Mr. Minister:

I wish to express to you my warm thanks for the superb introduction into Chinese cultural history which you gave to my wife and myself during our recent visit to China. The visit to the National Palace Museum was indeed one of the highlights of our visit and we are much indebted to you for sparing the time to show us your country's art treasures. With such rich cultural traditions I can better understand what has inspired your Government and your people to accomplish so much in the field of economic and social development.

Sincerely,

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara

Robert S. McNamara

His Excellency
George K.C. Yeh
Minister Without Portfolio
Taipei, Taiwan

cc: Dr. Chen
Mr. Goddman

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June 18, 1970

Dear Mr. Deputy Prime Minister:

I wish to express to you once again my warm thanks for the generous hospitality and for the many courtesies received by my wife and myself, and my associates, throughout our visit to the Republic of China. The program prepared for our visit gave us a splendid introduction to your country and provided us with a vivid impression of the outstanding record of economic growth achieved in recent years. I was most delighted to have an opportunity to explore, in discussions with both public and private sector representatives, the reasons for this success.

Mrs. McNamara and I would especially like to thank you and your wife for the lovely dinner which you gave in our honor. We were, on that occasion, once again impressed with the excellence and the joys of Chinese cuisine.

My colleagues and I are looking forward to a continuing close association between your Government and the World Bank Group.

Sincerely,

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara

Robert S. McNamara

His Excellency
C. K. Chiang
Deputy Prime Minister
Executive Yuan
Taipei, Taiwan

cc: Dr. Chen
Mr. Goodman

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488/4/248

June 18, 1970

Dear Mr. Minister:

May I use this opportunity to express to you my warm gratitude for the hospitality extended to my wife and myself, and my associates, during our visit to the Republic of China. I was very pleased indeed to have the occasion to witness some of the results of the outstanding growth rate achieved by your economy in recent years. I was also most impressed by the determination and wisdom with which you and your colleagues in the Government are confronting the development problems which lie ahead. As you know from our conversations, we in the World Bank Group stand ready to support your efforts to overcome these obstacles and to further economic and social development in your country.

I also would like to tell you how much we appreciated the excellent program you had arranged for us and the most efficient way in which the details of our visit were organized.

Sincerely,

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara

Robert S. McNamara

His Excellency
K. T. Li
Minister of Finance
Taipei, Taiwan

cc: Dr. Chen
Mr. Goodman

LEChristoffersen:ml

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June 18, 1970

Dear Governor:

You were so kind to arrange such a splendid luncheon for my wife and myself, and my associates, during our visit to Taichung. We appreciated having the opportunity to meet with you and your colleagues in the Provincial Government and to discuss the impressive results achieved by your economy in recent years. I was particularly pleased to learn more about your interesting land reform program, your population planning efforts, which have obtained world-wide fame, and about the factors responsible for the dynamic export performance of the industrial sector.

Please also extend to your wife our sincere gratitude for your kind courtesies during our enjoyable visit.

Sincerely,

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara

Robert S. McNamara

His Excellency
T. C. Chen
Governor
Taiwan Provincial Government
Taichung, Taiwan

cc: Dr. Chen
Mr. Goodman

LEChristoffersen:ml

488/4/246

June 18, 1970

Dear Mr. Vice President:

May I use this opportunity to thank you for the warm welcome which Mrs. McNamara and I, together with my associates, received during our recent visit to the Republic of China. The program arranged for our visit by you and your colleagues provided an excellent first-hand introduction to your country and to your development prospects. You may indeed be proud of the progress which the Chinese economy has accomplished.

Mrs. McNamara and I wish to thank you especially for the lovely dinner which you gave in our honor and which we remember fondly.

We in the World Bank Group are looking forward to a continuing close relationship with your country. It is my sincere hope that we may be able to participate actively in your Government's economic development efforts in the years ahead.

Sincerely,

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara

Robert S. McNamara

His Excellency
C. K. Yen
Vice President
President, Executive Yuan
Taipei, Taiwan

cc: Dr. Chen
Mr. Goodman

JKraske:LEChristoffersen:ml

488/4/245

June 18, 1970

Dear Governor Yu:

I wish to thank you for the warm welcome which Mrs. McNamara and I, together with my associates, received during our recent visit to the Republic of China. In particular I wish to express my gratitude for the exquisite dinner which you gave in my honor and which I shall remember fondly.

The interesting program which you helped to arrange for us provided an excellent introduction into your country's prospects and aspirations and improved our understanding of your development efforts. We were most impressed with the progress your economy has accomplished while maintaining sound monetary discipline and I believe China's economic performance can provide many useful lessons to other developing countries.

My associates and I in the World Bank Group are looking forward to a continuing close association with your country's development and stand ready to provide increasing support for successful and balanced economic growth in the future.

Sincerely,

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara

Robert S. McNamara

His Excellency
K. H. Yu
Governor
Central Bank of China
Taipei, Taiwan

cc: Dr. Chen

Mr. Goodman

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488/4/244

JUN 18 1970

Dear Mr. Jenks:

I wish to refer to Mr. Morse's letter of May 29 concerning the completion of the ILO report on the employment situation and prospects in Colombia. The Bank is looking forward to receiving it and to studying its findings and recommendations. I consider unemployment one of the most difficult problems presently facing the developing countries, calling for concerted efforts of their governments and of international agencies active in the economic and social fields. Your report on Colombia, I am sure, will help us greatly in understanding better the nature of the problem and in identifying the possible ways of approaching its solution. We shall be glad to consider participating, with the Government of Colombia and with other international agencies, in the examination of practical measures in this field as suggested, once we have had an opportunity to study the report.

I also appreciate the kind words concerning cooperation which the ILO mission received from the members of Bank staff. They have informed me that they have benefited greatly from working together with the ILO team. It is cooperative efforts of this kind which, in my view, hold the promise of an increasingly effective contribution of international agencies to growth and welfare of developing nations.

Sincerely,

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara

Robert S. McNamara

Mr. Wilfred Jenks
Director-General
International Labour Office
CH 1211
Geneva 22, Switzerland

cc: Mr. Demuth

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INTERNATIONAL BANK FOR
RECONSTRUCTION AND DEVELOPMENT
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20433, U.S.A.

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OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

June 18, 1970

Dear Rodrigo:

Margaret and I wish to express our warmest thanks to you and Louise for your part in making our visit to Colombia so successful. You were most kind to come all the way to Miami to meet us and to accompany us throughout our stay in your lovely country. We are deeply grateful for the excellent arrangements you helped to provide for us and we hope that we may have a chance to reciprocate the hospitality next time you visit Washington.

Sincerely,

Robert S. McNamara

Dr. Rodrigo Botero
Economic Affairs Secretary
Presidencia de la Republica
Palacio San Carlos
Bogota, Colombia

After Robert Kennedy's death, Ethel
found the manuscript for this book
in his papers. It is the story of
the most serious crisis of the
nuclear age. You may be
interested in reading it.
Ethel

488/4/242

June 18, 1970

The Honorable
Glenn R. Davis
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Congressman Davis:

Thank you for your letter. I can well understand your constituent's confusion. It results from failing to distinguish between the activities of the World Bank (which borrowed from Japan) and the International Development Association (which loaned to India).

The World Bank does not lend money interest-free. Currently it charges borrowers 7 per cent per annum on new loans. This lending rate reflects the cost of funds raised by the World Bank through the sale of its obligations to investors in a broad international market.

The loan to India was granted by the International Development Association, which as you know, was established in 1960 with the approval of the U.S. Congress and the legislatures of other member nations to make credit available at lower rates to developing countries. The bulk of the funds available to the Association come from contributions of 18 leading industrialized countries, including the United States, that are members.

You may wish to pass along to your constituent one of the enclosed copies of a booklet describing the activities and policies of the World Bank and IDA.

I appreciate your taking the trouble to write me about your constituent's concern, and am grateful for your support of IDA in the past. I hope that you will continue to call on us for any help we can provide.

With kindest regards,

Sincerely,

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara

Robert S. McNamara

Enclosure

RSM:JM:ejd

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JUN 18 1970

Dear Mr. Jenks:

This is in reply to Mr. Morse's letter of May 11 issuing an invitation to designate a member of my staff to prepare a paper and to participate in the Meeting of Experts on Fiscal Policies for Employment Promotion, with special reference to the developing countries. I am happy to accept this invitation.

Our paper will address itself to the topic: "Review of extant fiscal policies in developing countries to examine whether they promote, inhibit or are neutral towards increased employment." We would not, of course, try to prepare in the time available a definitive study on the subject, but we will try to put together what we do know about this problem giving special attention to these policies as they arise in areas in which the World Bank is particularly interested and involved, for example, in agriculture.

The paper will be prepared in the Domestic Finance of Developing Countries Division of the Economics Department. Responsibility for its preparation will be jointly shared by Mr. Stanley Please (Chief of the Division) and Mr. George Beier.

Mr. Please will participate in the meeting.

Sincerely,

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara

Robert S. McNamara

Mr. Wilfred Jenks
Director-General
International Labor Office
Geneva, Switzerland

ISFriedman/AMKamarck:rgw

June 17, 1970

cc: Mr. Kamarck

488/4/239

June 15, 1970

Dear Kai-Uwe:

On May 28, Mr. William Clark, Director, Information and Public Affairs Department, conveyed to you, on behalf of the World Bank Group, an invitation to the members of the Bundestag Committee for Economic Cooperation to spend a week at our Headquarters here in Washington. As you perhaps know, Mr. Clark has been working on this project for the past two years. I would be very pleased indeed if such a visit could be arranged and it is my sincere hope that it will be possible for me to meet with the visiting Parliamentarians at that time.

I would very much appreciate your advice on whether you and Mr. Bruck believe it would be appropriate and meaningful to include in this group some members of other Bundestag committees, e.g., the Budget or Foreign Policy Committee, interested in the work of the World Bank Group. If so, we would be happy to include them in the invitation.

The details of this visit will be worked out between Mr. Bruck and Mr. Clark, together with the German Executive Director in the Bank, Dr. Wilhelm Hanemann. Meanwhile, I want you to know that we shall do our very best to ensure that the visit of the Parliamentarians will provide a useful opportunity to review the lending operations and the development activities in which the World Bank Group is involved.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara

Robert S. McNamara

His Excellency
Kai-Uwe von Hassel
President
German Bundestag, Bundeshaus
53-Bonn, Germany

cc: Mr. Hanemann
Mr. Clark

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488/4/238

June 15, 1970

Dear Mr. President:

Having returned to Washington, I wish to thank you for the warm hospitality and for the many courtesies extended to Mrs. McNamara and myself, and to my associates, during our visit to Colombia. We very much appreciated your graciousness in giving a state dinner for us and we shall long remember the charm and dignity of that occasion. Your speech that evening was particularly impressive as a wise and eloquent appraisal of the favorable results of our working together towards the goals of social and economic improvement.

It was good to have the opportunity to renew our acquaintance and continue the discussions which we had in Washington exactly one year ago. At the same time, I found it most interesting to capture at firsthand an impression of the able men you have gathered in your Government, and of the remarkable achievements of your term in office. In the years to come we shall look forward to continuing the active and cordial relationship which exists between the World Bank Group and your country.

Allow me once again, Mr. President, to express our gratitude for such a successful first visit to Colombia.

With best personal regards to you and your charming wife.

Sincerely,

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara
Robert S. McNamara

His Excellency
Carlos Lleras Restrepo
Palacio San Carlos
Bogota, Colombia

cc: Dr. Barco

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June 15, 1970

Dear Virgilio:

This is just to let you know how much Margaret and I appreciated your assistance and enjoyed your company during our trip to Colombia. We had a most interesting time indeed, and we are most grateful for the courtesies shown to us by President Lleras and the officials of his Government. In particular I appreciated the kind remarks which the President was good enough to make about the Bank's role in Colombia's development efforts; we shall try to live up to his high opinion of us.

With best personal regards from Mrs. McNamara and myself.

Sincerely,

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara

Robert S. McNamara

Dr. Virgilio Barco

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488/4/236

June 15, 1970

Dear Mr. Minister:

It was indeed a pleasure to be able to renew our acquaintance in Bogota during my recent visit, particularly because this time I could meet you in your capacity as Finance Minister. I was most interested to learn firsthand from you the achievements and the problems in the fiscal field. You must be congratulated on the success of your efforts to bring about improvements in Colombia's public finance situation, thereby strengthening the Government's development program.

May I express to you and to your wife the gratitude of Mrs. McNamara and myself, and my associates, for the Government's kind hospitality during our visit.

Sincerely,

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara

Robert S. McNamara

His Excellency
Dr. Abdon Espinosa Valderrama
Ministerio de Hacienda y
Credito Publico
Bogota, Colombia

LEC:RMcN:mss

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BENJAMIN WELLES
MOLINO DEVESA
PARTIDA LLORCA
ALFAZ DEL PI
ALICANTE PROVINCE

JUNE 15, 1970

NIGHT LETTER

SPAIN

INVESTIGATION DISCLOSES THE ONLY WORLD BANK LOAN FOR A HIGHWAY PROJECT IN SPAIN WAS SIGNED OCTOBER 63. PROJECT WHICH WAS COMPLETED JULY 68 COVERED CONSTRUCTION OF THREE ROADS AND THE IMPROVEMENT OF ROAD SECTIONS IN THE MADRID-BARCELONA-ALICANTE TRIANGLE. APART FROM RELOCATION OF A SHORT SECTION NEAR SAN JUAN IMPROVEMENTS IN PROVINCE OF ALICANTE WERE ON THE EXISTING ALIGNMENT. IN SUMMARY, WORLD BANK DOES NOT APPEAR TO BE INVOLVED IN ANY WORK WHICH MAY AFFECT YOUR PROPERTY. PLEASE ADVISE IF YOU HAVE OTHER INFORMATION.

ROBERT S. McNAMARA

Robert S. McNamara
President

RMcN:mss

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JUN 15 1970

Dear Dr. Mejia Salazar:

Having returned to Washington, I am writing to express my thanks for your kindness in hosting a luncheon for my associates and myself to meet with representatives of Colombian private enterprise. It was a pleasure indeed to meet you and to have, on that occasion, the opportunity to learn from you and your colleagues about the role of the private sector in Colombia's economic development.

Sincerely,

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara

Robert S. McNamara

Dr. Jorge Mejia Salazar
President
Banco de Bogota
Bogota, Colombia

LEC:mss

cc: Mr. Gaud

488 / 4 / 233

June 12, 1970

Dear Mr. Minister:

I wish to express to you my warm appreciation for an interesting and enjoyable visit to Korea. The program which you helped to arrange for my wife and myself, and my associates, provided a valuable understanding of the courageous development policies which you and your Government have undertaken. I particularly appreciated the frank and illuminating discussion we had in your office on the problems now facing the Korean economy. It is my hope that the World Bank Group may play an active role in helping you to overcome the obstacles which lie ahead, and thereby help to better the welfare of the Korean people.

Sincerely,

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara

Robert S. McNamara

His Excellency
Nam, Duck Woo
Minister of Finance
Seoul, Korea

cc: Dr. Chen
Mr. Goodman

LEChristoffersen:ml

488/4/232

June 12, 1970

Dear Mr. Deputy Prime Minister:

I wish to thank you for the warm welcome which Mrs. McNamara and I, together with my associates, received during our recent visit to Korea. The program for our visit which you arranged provided a splendid opportunity to get acquainted with your country and to learn more about the problems facing your country's economic development. I was indeed impressed to see the progress which your economy has accomplished and to witness in discussions with both public and private sector representatives the enthusiasm and determination which have been such important factors behind Korea's economic growth.

Our visit was not only interesting and useful but also thoroughly enjoyable. Mrs. McNamara and I wish to thank you especially for the splendid reception you gave in our honor and we remember fondly the delightful Korean dinner which we had with your wife and yourself later that evening.

We in the World Bank Group look forward to a continuing close relationship with your Government. We are ready to provide support for your efforts to maintain successful economic growth, improve the well-being of your people and tackle the critical problems which Korea is facing at the present time.

Once again, many thanks for a delightful stay in your country.

Sincerely,
(Signed) Robert S. McNamara

Robert S. McNamara

His Excellency
Kim, Hak-yul
Deputy Prime Minister
Seoul, Korea

cc: Dr. Chen
Mr. Goodman
JKraske:LEChristoffersen:ml

488/4/231

June 12, 1970

Dear Mr. Prime Minister:

May I use this opportunity to express my warm thanks for the splendid hospitality and for the many courtesies received by my wife and myself, and my associates, throughout our visit to Korea. The interesting program which you and your colleagues so ably had arranged for us provided an excellent introduction into the workings of an economy with whose achievements we in the World Bank Group are proud to have been associated. It is my hope that the future will see a further strengthening of the partnership which exists between us.

Allow me also to express to you my personal appreciation for the enjoyable luncheon which you hosted and also for your kindness in re-arranging your travel to Japan in order to meet with us. I am indeed most grateful for the splendid visit we had to the Republic of Korea.

Sincerely,
(Signed) Robert S. McNamara

Robert S. McNamara

His Excellency
Chung, Il Kwon
Prime Minister
Seoul, Korea

cc: Dr. Chen
Mr. Goodman

LEChristoffersen:ml

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UNRSCO 9213
PARIS

JUNE 12, 1970

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(FRANCE)

REUNION JUNE 11 STP BANK ATTACHED 2 TRANSPORT EXPERTS UNITED NATIONS
MISSION TO PERU SCHEDULED EARLY NEXT WEEK TO ASSESS EARTHQUAKE DAMAGE
AND IDENTIFY POSSIBLE REHABILITATION PROJECTS STP ~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~ NOT CLEAR WHETHER WE COULD
INCLUDE SCHOOL RECONSTRUCTION IN VIEW OUR CONCENTRATION INFRASTRUCTURE
PROJECTS AND ACTIVE PARTICIPATION OTHER LEADING OFFICIAL AGENCIES IN EFFORTS
ASSIST PERU WITH REHABILITATION

ROBERT S. McNAMARA
PRESIDENT
I.B.R.D.

McNamara/gaf

Robert S. McNamara, President

Cleared by and cc: Mr. Knapp
cc: McNamara. Alter o/r
Sapir

488/4/229

JUN 11 1970

Dear Mr. Hoffman:

In response to your suggestion, transmitted to the Bank by Mr. Blanchard of the International Labour Office, and to paragraph 11 of the Progress Report of the Governing Council of March 27, 1970, I am happy to enclose a statement concerning measures taken by the World Bank in cooperation with, and in support of, the United Nations Development Programme.

Sincerely,

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara
Robert S. McNamara

Mr. Paul G. Hoffman
Administrator
United Nations Development Programme
Palais des Nations
1211 Geneva 10
Switzerland

RHDemuth/pnn

cc: Office of the President (2)

488/4 1227

Copy for President's Office

JUN 11 1970

Dear Mr. Labidi:

Mr. El Emary has transmitted to me the substance of your letter to him of May 25 concerning the possibility of a special trip by you to Washington in July on behalf of the African Development Fund.

As I am sure you know, I believe that an African Development Fund, available for lending on concessional terms, would be a very useful adjunct to the facilities of the African Development Bank. I have recently taken this position in a letter which I wrote to Mr. Robert Gardiner, a copy of which is attached for your information. I think it is preferable that my support of the proposed African Development Fund be expressed in a general statement of this type, which you are free to quote if you feel that it would be useful, rather than through direct personal intervention with any specific donor country. Accordingly, I do not believe there is any need for you to make a special trip to Washington in July to discuss this matter with me. I prefer, rather, that we adhere to our earlier arrangement of a meeting in Washington in the fall.

With kind regards,

Sincerely,

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara

Robert S. McNamara

Attachment

Mr. A. D. Labidi
Acting President
African Development Bank
B.P. No. 1387
Abidjan, Ivory Coast

RHDemuth:tf
June 11, 1970

Cleared with and cc: Messrs. Chaufournier and Lejeune
cc: Mr. El Emary

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Michael L. Lejeune

June 3, 1970

M. Hartigan

Bank and IDA Project Summaries for Recently Approved Projects

Mr. Christoffersen has asked me, in his absence, to request your preparation and submission to me by June 12 of project summaries for all Bank and/or IDA projects approved between April 14, 1970 and June 2, 1970 and which relate to countries handled by your Department (see detailed list below). Summaries for projects approved between now and June 30 should be treated similarly as they become approved. The purpose of this request is to facilitate the updating of Mr. McNamara's personal project summary file for FYs 1969 and 1970 which was compiled from Area Department responses to Mr. McNamara's original request, noted in the Area Heads Meeting Minutes of April 13, 1970.

I would appreciate your preparation of one project summary per page on the forms attached, but the remarks on a project are not expected to require the full column space provided for that purpose. I will be happy to answer all queries concerning this request (Ext. 2483), in particular any relating to project summary content.

The projects concerning your Department to which this request relates are:

- Apr 28 Ethiopia (Agric.-Settit-Humera)
- May 12 Kenya (Education II)
- May 19 E. Africa (Telecommunications II)
- May 28 Zambia (Maize & Tobacco Farming)
- May 28 Congo(K) (DFC)

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Roger Chaufournier

June 3, 1970

M. Hartigan

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The projects concerning your Department to which this request relates are:

- May 5 Congo (B) (Highway I - Pointe Noire-Bondi)
- May 19 Ivory Coast (Cocoa Development)
- May 26 Nigeria (Transp. Rehabilitation)
- May 26 Cameroon (Railways I)
- May 28 Liberia (Power - Mount Coffee)
- June 2 Mali (Highways)

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Raymond J. Goodman

June 3, 1970

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The projects concerning your Department to which this request relates are:

- Apr 21 China (Power II)
- May 12 Indonesia (Pusri Fertilizer)
- May 26 Indonesia (Agric. Estates II)

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I. P. M. Cargill

June 3, 1970

M. Hartigan

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April 21	Pakistan (Port - Karachi Eng.)
April 21	India (Industrial Imports VI)
May 5	India (Agric. Credit - Gujarat)
May 19	Pakistan (Telecommunications II)
May 26	Pakistan (Small Industries)
June 2	Pakistan (Irrig. Eng. Services)
June 2	India (ICICI)

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Munir P. Benjenk

June 3, 1970

M. Hartigan

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The projects concerning your Department to which this request relates are:

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| May 19 | Yugoslavia (Roads IV) |
| June 2 | Israel (IDBI) |

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Edgar Gutierrez

June 3, 1970

M. Hartigan

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The projects concerning your Department to which this request relates are:

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Gerald Alter

June 3, 1970

M. Hartigan

Bank and IDA Project Summaries for Recently Approved Projects

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The projects concerning your Department to which this request relates are:

- May 12 Colombia (Education II)
- May 12 Colombia (Highways VI)
- May 19 Brazil (Hydro - Marimondo)
- May 26 Colombia (Hydro - Chivor)
- May 26 Colombia (Water Supply-Med. Cities)

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RT. HON. LESLIE BURY
COMMONWEALTH TREASURER
PARLIAMENT HOUSE
CANBERRA

JUNE 11, 1970

FR

AUSTRALIA

I WAS MUCH ENCOURAGED TO RECEIVE YOUR CABLE OF MAY 17TH ON IDA THIRD REPLENISHMENT RECOGNIZING WIDE DISPOSITION TO GIVE STRONG FINANCIAL SUPPORT TO IDA AS A CONSIDERATION YOU MUST TAKE INTO ACCOUNT IN FINALLY DETERMINING YOUR ATTITUDE. AT THE SAME TIME I UNDERSTOOD REASONS FOR WHICH FIRM DECISION BY MAY 19TH WAS NOT POSSIBLE. HOWEVER FINAL MEETING OF PART ONE COUNTRIES WILL NOW BE HELD HERE JUNE 24TH AT WHICH IT IS VITAL THAT FIRM AGREEMENT SHOULD BE REACHED. OTHERWISE IT WILL NOT BE POSSIBLE TO CONCLUDE REMAINING STAGES OF CONSIDERATION BY FULL BOARD INCLUDING PART TWO COUNTRIES PRIOR TO ANNUAL MEETING WHICH WOULD RAISE SERIOUS CONTROVERSY. OTHER PART ONE COUNTRIES WILL NOT IN MY VIEW BE WILLING TO CONCLUDE SUCH AN AGREEMENT UNLESS THEY HAVE ASSURANCE THAT AUSTRALIA WILL ACCEPT HER FULL SHARE IN REPLENISHMENT OF EIGHT HUNDRED. I MUST THEREFORE STRONGLY APPEAL TO YOU TO COMMUNICATE YOUR DECISION TO US NOT LATER THAN JUNE 24TH. I EARNESTLY HOPE THAT ANY DIFFICULTIES THIS MAY CREATE FOR YOU CAN BE OVERCOME IN ORDER THAT IDA REPLENISHMENT AGREEMENT SHOULD NOT BE

Robert S. McNamara
President

cc: Mr. Stone
Mr. Adler

IDA Third Replenishment
DHFRickett:emcc

RT. HON. LESLIE BURY
COMMONWEALTH TREASURER
PARLIAMENT HOUSE
CANBERRA

JUNE 11, 1970

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AUSTRALIA

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DELAYED. REGARDS

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara

ROBERT S. MCNAMARA

PRESIDENT

Robert S. McNamara

President

HIS EXCELLENCY ABDUL RAHMAN ATREQI
MINISTER OF FINANCE AND OIL
KUWAIT

JUNE 11, 1970

FR

KUWAIT

I HAVE BEEN ADVISED ABOUT YOUR GOVERNMENTS POSITION REGARDING IDA REPLENISHMENT AND DIFFICULTY YOU HAVE IN MAKING FIRM DECISION AT THIS TIME BECAUSE OF OTHER COMMITMENTS. AM SURE HOWEVER YOU WILL UNDERSTAND DIFFICULTIES WITH WHICH I SHALL BE FACED IF YOUR DECISION IS DELAYED MUCH LONGER. FINAL MEETING OF PART ONE COUNTRIES WILL BE HELD HERE JUNE 24TH. IT IS VITAL THAT AT THAT MEETING FIRM AGREEMENT SHOULD BE REACHED AND REPORTED TO THE BOARD IMMEDIATELY THEREAFTER. YOUR PARTICIPATION IS ESSENTIAL TO COMPLETION OF THE AGREEMENT WITHOUT WHICH FUTURE LENDING PLANS INCLUDING IMPORTANT CREDITS TO ARAB COUNTRIES CANNOT BE CARRIED OUT. VERY EARLY DECISION IS THEREFORE ESSENTIAL. I AM ASKING MR DAJANY TO PROCEED TO KUWAIT TO GIVE YOU PERSONALLY IMPORTANT INFORMATION WHICH I BELIEVE WILL HELP YOU TO REACH AN EARLY DECISION. PERSONAL REGARDS

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara
ROBERT S. MCNAMARA

PRESIDENT

Robert S. McNamara

President

cc: Mr. Adler
Mr. Dajany

IDA Third Replenishment
DHFRickatt:emcc

GENERAL FRANCISCO MORALES HERNANDEZ
MINISTRO DE ECONOMIA Y FINANZAS
LIMA

JUNE 10, 1970

INF GOVT

(PERU)

THIS IS IN REPLY TO URCAB JUNE 4 AND YOUR LETTER OF THE SAME DATE
PRESENTING REQUEST FOR BANK ASSISTANCE IN EARTHQUAKE REHABILITATION
STOP FIRST STEP NECESSARY IS IDENTIFICATION OF PROJECTS ESSENTIAL TO
RESTORATION ECONOMIC ACTIVITY AND DEVELOPMENT IN EARTHQUAKE AREA AND
SUITABLE FOR EXTERNAL FINANCING AND WE UNDERSTAND UNITED NATIONS
MISSION IS BEING ORGANIZED TO UNDERTAKE THIS TASK STOP WE ARE THEREFORE
PLANNING TO ATTACH TWO TRANSPORT EXPERTS TO THAT MISSION AND ON BASIS
OF THEIR REPORT WE WILL EXAMINE POSSIBILITY OF DEVELOPING SUITABLE
PROJECT OR PROJECTS IN ACCORDANCE WITH OUR REGULATIONS AND POLICIES
STOP AGAIN I WISH TO EXPRESS DEEPEST SYMPATHY TO PERUVIAN PEOPLE IN
THIS TIME OF TRAGEDY STOP REGARDS

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara

ROBERT S MCNAMARA
PRESIDENT
IBRD

Signed by Mr. Wiese on express authority of
Gunter K. Wiese Mr. McNamara
South America

Cleared with Messrs. McNamara and Knapp
cc: Messrs. Cope
Knox
van Helden
Alter o/r
Asser
Sapir

JKnapp/GKWiese:ar

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

June 9, 1970

During Mr. McNamara's visit to Colombia, the Peruvian Ambassador to Colombia called me on June 5 in Bogota and requested a meeting with Mr. McNamara. The Ambassador told me that he had had an urgent message from the Government of Peru. Since Mr. McNamara had informed me he would not be able to see the Ambassador before he left the following morning, the Ambassador agreed to meet with me instead. The message which the Ambassador communicated from his Government was to ask Mr. McNamara to visit Peru before he returned to Washington in order to brief him about the disastrous effects which the recent earthquakes had inflicted upon the Peruvian economy. His presence in Peru would, the Government thought, also help to boost the morale of people in the disaster areas. When I informed the Ambassador that, due to commitments in Washington, it would regrettably not be possible for Mr. McNamara to make such a visit, the Ambassador asked if he could send a cable to Lima expressing Mr. McNamara's hope that assistance soon would be provided to Peru. I informed him of the message which Mr. McNamara had cabled to the President of Peru prior to our departure for Colombia, and reiterated his personal hope that the needed assistance would be promptly granted to alleviate the suffering of the people of the disaster areas.

L.E. Christoffersen

lee

cc: Mr. McNamara
Mr. Knapp
Mr. Alter
Mr. Wm. Clark

488/4 /217

June 8, 1970

Dear Mr. Minister:

I write to thank you for your letter of 27th May from which I was very glad to learn that you are prepared to agree that the total amount of the Third Replenishment of the resources of the International Development Association should be fixed at \$2.4 billion for the three-year period 1971 to 1973.

I am also pleased to learn that, subject to any necessary legislative authority, you can confirm that your Government will take part in the Third Replenishment in an amount of \$13.6 million a year, the Belgian share thus amounting to 1.7% of the total. It has been noted that this contribution will be made in three annual payments on 8th November 1971, 1972 and 1973 in the form of non-interest bearing Treasury notes.

May I express to you my appreciation of this action of your Government.

Sincerely,

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara

Robert S. McNamara

H.E. Baron Snoy et d'Oppuers
Minister of Finance
Ministry of Finance
12 rue de la Loi
Brussels, Belgium

488/4/216

June 8, 1970

Dear R.C.:

I was greatly relieved to hear the good news about your successful surgery last Thursday. Please make sure that you give yourself enough leave for an adequate rest period and recuperation. I speak for both officers and staff of the World Bank Group when I send you our very best wishes for a complete and speedy recovery.

At the same time, may I use this opportunity to express my warm gratitude for your kind personal assistance in helping to organize my visit to Korea and China. The trip was immensely interesting and very efficiently organized, and, at the same time, most enjoyable. I greatly appreciate your part in making it so successful.

Sincerely,

Robert S. McNamara

Dr. R. C. Chen
Executive Director
World Bank
Washington, D.C.

LEChristoffersen:ml

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(for the Office of Mr. McNamara)

JUN 8 1970

Dear Mrs. May:

Thank you for your letter of May 26 regarding Mr. Stephen Nwankwo Ibe's application for employment by the World Bank Group.

We are currently looking into possibilities for him here and you may be sure his application will receive every consideration.

Sincerely,

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara

Robert S. McNamara

The Honorable
Catherine May
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

RAClarke/mg
June 3, 1970

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Office of the President

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JUN 3 1970

The Honorable
Aleke K. Banda
Minister of Finance
P.O. Box 856
Blantyre, Malawi

Dear Mr. Minister:

I am writing in reply to your letter of May 6 about a number of points that you raised in connection with the reporting of external debt.

As you know, the Bank regularly receives specific representations on the status of outstanding indebtedness of a member country immediately prior to the submission of each new lending proposal to the Executive Directors. Also on a regular basis we are furnished information on medium and long-term debt from approximately 90 member countries. I am happy to say that we have no problems with Malawi's reporting and I appreciate your assurance of continued collaboration.

In the early days of the Bank we focused our attention, and that of our member countries, on public and publicly guaranteed debt, given our primary concern at that time with the external position and creditworthiness of the governments which borrowed or guaranteed our loans. However the emergence of major international indebtedness problems in recent years has shown that, without the full awareness of the governments concerned, private debt has built up in a number of cases to magnitudes which have presented governments with serious problems for the management of their balance of payments. Consequently we felt that we should try to obtain, and help governments to obtain for themselves, as complete a picture as possible of their country's debt position, public and private. A number of member governments have indeed sought the assistance of our specialized staff to help them in instituting effective procedures for recording fully and promptly external debt of all kinds.

I fully understand that private foreign debt in Malawi is likely to be small, and that the effort involved in collecting data about it at this stage may well outweigh the possible benefits. That is a matter on which I would rely on your own good

The Honorable
Aleke K. Banda

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judgment, but I would like to suggest that, as occasion offers, some thought be given to the procedures that might be instituted in anticipation of a problem that might arise in the future.

I agree with you that in attempting to measure the flow of external aid, as distinct from indebtedness, technical assistance is of considerable significance for a number of countries. I have indeed directed that our economic missions give increasing attention to establishing a complete picture of technical assistance being provided as well as evaluating what additional or other kinds of technical assistance might be desirable. There are considerable problems in defining technical assistance in such a way that a meaningful and internationally comparable system of reporting by recipient countries could be established. On the other hand, there is a substantial volume of information about technical assistance available from the principal sources.

I am sorry that the omission of the word "requested" in printing the revised manual gave rise to offense. The omission will be corrected in subsequent editions, and I am glad that you should be attentive to any matter which might unwittingly disturb working relations between Malawi and the World Bank.

Sincerely,

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara

Robert S. McNamara

cc: Office of the President (2)
Mr. Panikar

JHWilliams:dr

June 2, 1970

488/4/292

June 2, 1970

Dear Mr. Annunzio:

Thank you for your letter of May 27 calling to my attention the interest of Dr. Wahe Balekjian in an association with the World Bank Group.

I fully agree with you that Dr. Balekjian's resume reflects a most distinguished background. Unfortunately his experience does not appear to have been in fields closely related to our own activities. However, since a firm conclusion cannot be made on the basis of a short resume, I suggest that, if Dr. Balekjian wishes, he get in touch directly with R.A. Clarke, Assistant Director of Administration for Personnel, who will give him every consideration.

Sincerely,

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara
Robert S. McNamara

The Honorable
Frank Annunzio
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

688/4/277

June 2, 1970

Dear Mr. Friedel:

Thank you for your letter of May 16 regarding the interest of Mr. Stanley Paul Haar in summer employment with the World Bank Group.

Unfortunately, our requirements for summer employees are very limited. While we certainly will keep Mr. Haar very much in mind should another opening develop, I am afraid it now seems unlikely we should be able to take advantage of his services.

Sincerely,

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara

Robert S. McNamara

The Honorable
Samuel N. Friedel
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

488/4/210

Copy for Office of the President

June 2, 1970

Mr. R. E. A. Gardiner
Executive Secretary
Economic Commission for Africa
P.O. Box 3001
Addis Ababa, Ethiopia

Dear Mr. Gardiner:

Thank you for your letter of May 4, inviting the World Bank to nominate a representative to participate in the inter-agency discussions scheduled to commence on June 24 concerning Professor Streeten's paper on "Aid to Africa" and concerning the formulation of proposals for the creation of a Special Fund for African Development. I am pleased to accept this invitation and have designated Mr. Torgeir Finsaas, IBRD Resident Representative in Ethiopia, to represent us in these discussions.

I fully share the view of your Commission, as expressed in Resolution 169 (VIII), that the needs of the African countries for investment capital on concessional terms is in excess of the amounts now available to them. It is for this reason, among others, that I have welcomed the indications by the developed countries that they are prepared to increase substantially their contributions to the International Development Association (IDA), which should enable the World Bank Group to lend significantly greater amounts than before, on concessional terms, to its African members. But over and above IDA's financing, the African countries could, I feel sure, effectively utilize additional funds, if made available on appropriate terms. For this reason, I would welcome the creation of a Special Fund for African Development.

At the same time, I am sure you will agree that further proliferation of the sources of financing should be avoided and that the recipient countries would be best served by having additional resources channelled through the lending institutions which already exist. This is why, in my view, the original approach to the creation of a Special Fund for Africa, i.e., through the contribution of funds to the African Development Bank (ADB) for concessional lending by that Bank, is both the most appropriate approach and the one most likely to be successful. I have been pleased to note that

Mr. R. E. A. Gardiner

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June 2, 1970

the ADB's proposals for the creation of a Special Fund seem to be attaining appreciable support from a number of the developed countries.

With kind regards,

Sincerely,

Robert S. McNamara

RHDemuth:tf
June 1, 1970

Cleared with and cc: Messrs. El Emary, Chauffournier and Lejeune

488/4/209

SU EXCELENCIA GENERAL JUAN VELASCO ALVARADO

JUNE 2, 1970

PRESIDENTE DE LA REPUBLICA DEL PERU

IBF GOVT

LIMA

PERU

ON BEHALF OF THE WORLD BANK I WISH TO EXPRESS DEEPEST SYMPATHY WITH THE GRAVE SITUATION CONFRONTING THE PEOPLE OF YOUR COUNTRY AS A RESULT OF THE SERIOUS EARTHQUAKE STOP OUR HOPES ARE WITH YOU FOR THE RAPID RESCUE OF THE VICTIMS IN THE AFFECTED AREAS OF PERU

ROBERT S. MCNAMARA

PRESIDENT INTBAFRAD

Robert S. McNamara

cc: Mr. Alter

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488/4/208

June 2, 1970

Dear Mr. President:

Upon my return to Washington, I wish to express my warm gratitude for the kind hospitality extended to my wife and myself, and my associates, during our visit to Korea. In particular I want to thank you for the enjoyable luncheon which you gave for us and for the most interesting conversation we had together in the lovely surroundings of the gardens at the Blue House.

We were immensely impressed by the vitality of the Korean economy which has produced such a remarkable record of growth under your leadership. The unprecedented export performance, which in recent years has drawn world-wide attention, was another reason why I was particularly anxious to make a visit to your country. I was, therefore, pleased to be able to explore, both in meetings with Government officials and private sector representatives, as well as during the course of interesting field visits, the factors which lie behind this developmental success. As I mentioned to you during our talk, this very success has given rise to certain problems, but I feel sure that they will be tackled with the same determination that has characterized your management of affairs during the past decade.

In the years ahead, Mr. President, it is my sincere hope that the World Bank Group may play an increasingly active role in the economic development of your country and that we thereby may assist you in the realization of further improvements in the welfare of the Korean people.

Sincerely,

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara

Robert S. McNamara

His Excellency
Chung Hee Park
Blue House
Seoul, Korea

cc: Dr. Chen
Mr. Goodman

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488/4/207

June 2, 1970

Dear Mr. President:

I wish to use this opportunity to express my warm appreciation for the hospitality and courtesies extended to my wife and myself, and to my associates, during our visit to your country. May I also thank you personally for the most pleasant meeting we had with you and Madame Chiang Kai-Shek at the end of our stay.

The impressive record of economic growth achieved by the Republic of China under your leadership has been an inspiration to developing countries in many parts of the world. For this reason I was particularly anxious to visit China personally and to explore the factors underlying this success. The wise economic management by your Ministers and the vitality of the private sector are no doubt of key importance in this respect. I was also impressed by the constructive impact your land reform movement has had upon agricultural growth and rural development. Furthermore, your family planning program has not only helped to give China world-wide fame but is also evidence of your Government's deep concern for the importance of improving the general welfare of your people.

It is my hope that in the future the World Bank Group may participate increasingly in your Government's efforts to further the noble objectives of economic and social development.

Allow me once again, Mr. President, to thank you for an interesting and enjoyable visit to the Republic of China.

Sincerely,

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara

Robert S. McNamara

His Excellency
Chiang Kai-Shek
Chungshan Hall
Yangmingshan Hill
Taipei, Taiwan

cc: Dr. Chen
Mr. Goodman

LEChristoffersen:ml

488/4/205

MAY 28 1970

Dear Viscount Harcourt:

Pierre-Paul Schweitzer and I will shortly be writing to you, in your capacity as Chairman of Morgan Grenfell & Co. Ltd., to invite you formally to attend or be represented at this year's Annual Meetings of the International Monetary Fund and the World Bank Group.

Beforehand, I personally want to invite you, in your special capacity as an IFC Adviser, (in addition to any representative from your organization) to come to these Annual Meetings which will be held at the Bella Center in Copenhagen from Monday, September 21 through Friday, September 25. I would be very pleased if you could be with us for part or all of the Annual Meeting sessions.

I wish also to remind you that this year's meeting of the IFC Advisers will take place at our new European Office, 64/66 Avenue d'Iena in Paris on Monday, September 28 at 10.30 a.m.

I shall look forward to hearing from you.

With best regards.

Sincerely,

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara

Robert S. McNamara

Viscount Harcourt, K.C.M.G., O.B.E.
Chairman
Morgan Grenfell & Co., Ltd.
23 Great Winchester Street
London, E.C. 2, England

cc: For Mr. McNamara's
Office (2)

Mr. Gaud

MMM:MTC:agr

488/4/204

MAY 28 1970

Dear Dr. Mattioli:

Pierre-Paul Schweitzer and I will shortly be writing to you, in your capacity as Chairman of Banca Commerciale Italiana, inviting you formally to attend this year's Annual Meetings of the International Monetary Fund and the World Bank Group.

Beforehand, I personally want to invite you, in your special capacity as an IFC Adviser, to come to these Annual Meetings, which will be held at the Bella Center in Copenhagen from Monday, September 21 through Friday, September 25. I would be very pleased if you could be with us for part or all of the Annual Meeting sessions.

I wish also to remind you that this year's meeting of the IFC Advisers will take place at our new European Office, 64/66 Avenue d'Iena in Paris on Monday, September 28, at 10.30 a.m.

I shall look forward to hearing from you.

With best regards.

Sincerely,

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara

Robert S. McNamara

Dr. Raffaele Mattioli, Chairman
Banca Commerciale Italiana
Piazza della Scala 6
20121 Milan, Italy

cc: For Mr. McNamara's
Office (2)

Mr. Gaud

MMM:MTC:aqr

488/4/200

MAY 28 1970

Dear Gene:

The Annual Meetings of the International Monetary Fund and the World Bank Group will be held this year at the Bella Center in Copenhagen from Monday, September 21 through Friday, September 25. I wish to extend a cordial invitation to you and hope that you will be able to join us on this occasion.

If you are able to attend, please let me know whether Sue will accompany you, your expected dates of arrival and departure and whether you will need hotel accommodation for your stay in Copenhagen.

With warm personal regards,

Sincerely,

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara

Robert S. McNamara

Mr. Eugene R. Black
Chase Manhattan Bank
1 Chase Manhattan Plaza
New York, N.Y. 10005

:MMM:MTC

cc: Mr. McNamara's Office (2)

MAY 28 1970

488/4/199

Dear George:

The Annual Meetings of the Fund and the World Bank Group will be held this year at the Bella Center in Copenhagen from Monday, September 21 through Friday, September 25. I wish to extend a warm invitation to you and hope you will be able to join us on this occasion.

If you are able to attend, please let me know whether Louie will accompany you, your expected dates of arrival and departure and whether you will need hotel accommodation for your stay in Copenhagen.

With warm personal regards,

Sincerely,

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara

Robert S. McNamara

Mr. George D. Woods
The First Boston Corporation
277 Park Avenue
New York, N.Y. 10017

MMM:MTC

cc: Mr. McNamara's Office (2)

488/4/198

MAY 28 1970

Dear Marty:

The Annual Meetings of the Fund and the World Bank Group will be held this year at the Bella Center in Copenhagen from Monday, September 21 through Friday, September 25. I wish to extend a cordial invitation to you and hope that it will be possible for you to join us on this occasion.

If you are able to accept this invitation, please let me know whether Judy will accompany you, your expected dates of arrival and departure and whether you will need hotel accommodation for your stay in Copenhagen.

With warm personal regards,

Sincerely,

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara

Robert S. McNamara

Mr. Martin M. Rosen
President
First Washington Securities Corporation
1776 K Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20006

MMM:MTC

cc: Mr. McNamara's Office (2)

488/4/197

MAY 28 1970

Dear Jack:

The Annual Meetings of the International Monetary Fund and the World Bank Group will be held this year at the Bella Center in Copenhagen from Monday, September 21 through Friday, September 25. I wish to extend an invitation to you and hope you will be able to join us on this occasion, as in former years.

If you are able to attend, please let me know whether Ellen will accompany you, your expected dates of arrival and departure and whether you will need hotel accommodation for your stay in Copenhagen.

With warm personal regards,

Sincerely,

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara

Robert S. McNamara

Mr. John J. McCloy
Millbank, Tweed, Hadley & McCloy
1 Chase Manhattan Plaza
New York, N.Y. 10005

MMM:MTC

cc: Mr. McNamara's Office (2)

May 26, 1970

488/4/196

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. RIPMAN

At today's Board Meeting, one ED noted that in the May 21 report to EDs on Bank and IDA operations (R70-94, Item No. 19) four Bank staff members were listed as having participated as observers in a meeting in London on Ghana's external debt problems. Mr. McNamara would like to know which procedures and regulations apply generally to the authorization of staff participations in conferences and meetings, as well as economic missions. Who controls such authorizations?

Are there adequate safeguards within the organization to prevent excessive staff time and expenditures for such purposes?

If, in your opinion, appropriate provisions for such controls do not exist, perhaps you could propose to Mr. McNamara what action should be taken in this respect.

L. E. Christoffersen

488/4/193

Copy for President's Office

MAY 26 1970

Dear Mr. Wellhausen:

Thank you for your letter of May 12 concerning the conference you intend to hold on August 6 and 7 on "The Puebla Project." Unfortunately, I will not be able to participate in this conference myself. However, I have designated Mr. L. J. C. Evans, Director of our Agriculture Projects Department, to attend on behalf of the Bank. I am sure that Mr. Evans will both contribute to and benefit from what promises to be a most interesting meeting.

Sincerely,

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara

Robert S. McNamara

Mr. E. J. Wellhausen
Director General
International Maize and Wheat
Improvement Center
Londres 40, Mexico 6, D.F.

RHDemuth:tf
May 21, 1970

Cleared in substance with and cc: Mr. Evans

Copy for President's Office

488/4/191

Your ref.: DG/1.3/8050/2/3177

MAY 26 1970

Dear Mr. Maheu:

Thank you for your letter of May 6 concerning expansion of the Cooperative Program, which arrived during my absence on a trip overseas. The change in the wording of paragraph 4(a) proposed by you is entirely acceptable to me.

I intend to submit this matter promptly through our Executive Directors for the approval of our Board of Governors. In my submission, I will propose July 1, 1970, as the date for putting these new arrangements into effect.

With kind regards,

Sincerely,

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara

Robert S. McNamara

Mr. Rene Maheu, Director-General
United Nations Educational, Scientific
and Cultural Organization
place de Fontenoy
Paris 7^e, France

RHDemuth:tf
May 22, 1970

Cleared with and cc: Mr. Ballantine

Mr. McNamara's office

488/4/190

MAY 25 1970

Dear Paul:

On my return from abroad, I was pleased to find the advance copy of the first part of your report to the Governing Council concerning the strengthening of UNDP, which you were kind enough to send me with your letter of May 8.

I find this an excellent statement, very clearly presented. The proposals are ones I fully endorse, and I trust they will win the endorsement of the Governing Council. If you deem it appropriate, I would be happy to have our representative at the Governing Council meeting in June make a statement indicating our support.

Sincerely,

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara

Robert S. McNamara

Mr. Paul G. Hoffman
Administrator
United Nations Development Programme
United Nations, New York 10017

VJRiley:cbh

Cleared with Mr. Demuth

cc: Mr. M. L. Hoffman

Chen

488/4/189

May 23, 1970

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. FRIEDMAN

I understand that all of Israel's bonds are "price indexed." Please send me a description of the formula used.

Robert S. McNamara

May 23, 1970

China
488/4/188

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. FRIEDMAN

Please obtain for me the UN report referred
to in the attached article.

Robert S. McNamara

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cies.

U.N. LISTS 19 STATES AS LEAST DEVELOPED

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y.,
May 9 (UPI)—The United Nations has listed 19 nations, 16 of them African, as the least developed nations of the world.

The list, contained in a report for next week's meeting of the United Nations Economic and Social Council, was determined on the basis of literacy, gross national product and manufacturing production.

In addition to the 16 African countries, two Asian countries and Yemen were listed.

The African nations were Botswana, Burundi, Chad, Dahomey, Ethiopia, Gambia, Guinea, Lesotho, Malawi, Niger, Rwanda, Somalia, the Sudan, Tanzania, Uganda and Upper Volta. The Asian nations were Afghanistan and Laos.

In each of the 19 nations, the report said, less than 20 per cent of the adult population is literate. Per capita gross national product is less than \$100, and manufacturing accounts for less than 10 per cent of total production.

**Malawi Tells Asians to Get
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May 23, 1970

*Let for info
Pat to Parly
488/4/87*

MEMORANDUM OF CONVERSATION WITH DAVID HOROWITZ, GOVERNOR, BANK OF ISRAEL,
IN PARIS, MAY 22, 1970

Governor Horowitz stated:

1. Based on creditworthiness in performance, Israel deserved and was eligible for more loans from the Bank than we were presently programming. I told him that at best, because of high income, present capacity, and diversion of resources from economic to military activities, Israel was a marginal case for the Bank and we had no basis for increasing the present program of lending.

2. Israel would benefit substantially if the agricultural loan now scheduled for October could be submitted to the Board for approval sometime between July 1 and Autumn. I said I would try to accelerate the processing of the project, although I could make no promise that it would be discussed earlier than presently planned.

3. He hoped the Bank would be able to participate in financing the rehabilitation of refugees, although he had no specific proposal to make at this time.

4. The Horowitz Plan offered a means of increasing the volume and reducing the costs of development loans. He asked whether it would be possible for the Bank to experiment with the Plan. I replied that Udink was considering the possibility of a unilateral contribution by The Netherlands to the Bank for such a purpose, and that if we received such a contribution, I would be happy to consider a pilot project.

Robert S. McNamara

May 23, 1970

488/4/185

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. KNAPP

At Horowitz's request, I met with him in Paris. He argued for a substantially larger lending program than is included in our Five-Year Program, but I made clear to him this was impossible. He then asked that the agriculture loan presently scheduled for presentation to the Board in October be advanced to as near July 1 as possible.

Would it be possible to process this loan so as to obtain approval before the summer recess?

Robert S. McNamara

cc: Mr. Benjenk

488/4/84

MAY 6 1970

Dear Mr. Mili:

I was pleased to learn from your letter of April 15, 1970, that you and your associates have found the report of the Commission on International Development, presided over by Mr. Lester Pearson, as valuable a stimulus to your thinking as we have found it helpful to us. We certainly agree that the emphasis in the report on coordination among the international agencies is one of its most important contributions.

I endorse your suggestion that there should be periodic consultations at the operational level between the ITU and the World Bank. These meetings would help to enlarge existing areas of cooperation, such as in the work of the Study Group of your Consultative Committee dealing with the economics of telecommunications, in the UNDP studies for the regional telecommunications network in Africa and in other preinvestment studies. The ITU and the World Bank share a range of common interests, especially in the field of preinvestment studies for telecommunications, which clearly warrant periodic meetings of this kind.

May I suggest that we host the first meeting in Washington toward the end of this year, say, in November? A decision could be made at that meeting concerning a timetable for future meetings. If this is agreeable to you, I would appreciate it if you would designate an appropriate member of your staff to pursue with Mr. Marvyn L. Weiner, Director of our Public Utilities Projects Department, the necessary arrangements and ITU's suggestions for an agenda for this first meeting.

Sincerely,

Robert S. McNamara

The Honorable Mohamed Mili
Secretary-General
International Telecommunication Union
Place des Nations
Geneva, Switzerland

MLWeiner/HCHittmair/MLHoffman/pnn
May 7, 1970
Cleared with Mr. Demuth
cc: Mr. McNamara's files (2)

488/4/182

MAY 6 1970

Walter;

Dear Mr. Reuther:

It is very kind of you to invite me and Mrs. McNamara to the conference on "The Impact of Urbanization on the Human Environment" which you are holding next month. Unfortunately, I will be on a trip abroad at that time and, therefore, unable to join you. This joint venture between the UAW and the United Nations is certainly directed at an important range of problems and I wish you every success in the endeavor.

Sincerely,

Robert S. McNamara

Mr. Walter P. Reuther, President
International Union, UAW
Solidarity House
8000 East Jefferson Ave.
Detroit, Michigan 48214

MLHoffman/pnn
May 7, 1970

cc: Mr. McNamara's files (2)
Mr. Consolo

488/4/180

MAY 6 1970

Dear Mr. Minister:

I am writing with reference to your letter of March 20, 1970, in which you informed about your Government's arrangements with the United Kingdom on a proposed debt conference in July, and in which you concurrently requested us to convene a Consultative Group meeting following thereafter.

We have deferred an answer to your letter pending the discussions with your delegation, headed by Dr. Jones Ofori-Atta. I understand from Mr. Roger Chaufoournier that these discussions have proved to be mutually very helpful in clarifying a number of questions concerning the Bank's role in the proposed debt conference and the objectives of a Consultative Group meeting.

I also understand that the principal question about the convening of a meeting of the Aid Group refers to its timing. While we are anxious to proceed with a meeting as soon as possible, we want to make sure that a constructive purpose will be served by a convening of the Group, and this in turn will depend on the readiness of the case we can put forward to the creditors. We should have a clearer idea of this timing by the end of May, when our economic mission is sufficiently advanced in its review.

Mr. Chaufoournier will confirm to you in writing our views and position on these matters and on other issues discussed with your delegation.

Sincerely,

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara

Robert S. McNamara

His Excellency
Mr. J.H. Mensah
Minister of Finance and
Economic Planning
Ministry of Finance and
Economic Planning
Accra, Ghana

Cleared with and cc. Mr. Chaufoournier

PREitter:VM

for Mr. McNamara's
Office
488/4/179

MAY 6 1970

Dear Mr. Ono:

I very much enjoyed the opportunity of exchanging views with you last week about the possibilities and problems of development in South East Asia. In this dynamic part of the world Japan will play an increasingly important role and I look forward to a continuing close working relationship between your Government and the Bank group on matters of mutual interest.

It was most gracious of you to leave presents for Mrs. McNamara and me. We greatly appreciate these gifts which are a reminder of the many splendid things about your country.

With best regards,

Sincerely,
(Signed) Robert S. McNamara
Robert S. McNamara

Mr. Ryosuke Ono
Chairman
The Board of Trustees
Kyoto Sangyo University
Kamigamo-Motoyama
Kita-Ku
Kyoto-Shi
Japan

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Mr. McNamara's
Office
488/4/178

MAY 6 1970

Dear Professor Wakaizumi:

It was a pleasure to meet you again last week with Mr. Ono and I very much enjoyed our exchange of views on the development prospects for South East Asia.

As I said during the meeting, the possibilities for development are great but their realization will depend very largely on the extent and nature of Japan's assistance to countries in the area. For our part, we in the World Bank group would hope to continue to work closely with your Government in this endeavor.

It was most thoughtful of you to send me a reprint of your articles on "Foreign Affairs" which I have read with great interest.

With best regards,

Sincerely,

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara

Robert S. McNamara

Professor Kei Wakaizumi
Professor of International Relations
Kyoto Sangyo University
1-11-3, Momo
Suginami-Ku
Tokyo, Japan

DJFontein:gwh

488/4/177

MAY 1 1970

Dear Minister Choong:

I am writing to thank you for the beautiful framed wood carvings you sent me through Vice Minister Sun. I am very grateful for this tasteful mark of your regard.

It was a real pleasure for me to meet Dr. Sun and the negotiations for the proposed education project were considerably facilitated by his presence here.

As you are aware, I am planning to visit your country in the middle of May. I am looking forward to meeting you then.

With best regards.

Sincerely,
(Signed) Robert S. McNamara

Robert S. McNamara

The Honorable
Choong Kow-kuong
Minister of Education
Republic of China
Taipei, Taiwan

ZKalim:rk
April 29, 1970

488/4/176

MAY 1 1970

Dear Secretary-General:

This is to acknowledge and thank you for your letter of March 30, 1970 (PO 230 SORH (1-2-2)) with which you transmitted to us the text of resolution 277 (1970) adopted by the Security Council on March 18, 1970 in connection with the question of the situation of Southern Rhodesia. The resolution is being brought to the attention of the Bank's Executive Directors.

With particular reference to operative paragraph 16 of the resolution, I wish to inform you that the Bank Group is currently engaged in providing technical and financial assistance to Zambia for economic development projects of high priority.

Sincerely,

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara

Robert S. McNamara

U Thant
Secretary-General
United Nations
New York, N.Y. 10017

cc: Mr. McNamara (2)

Cleared with: Messrs. Broches
Scott
Kruithof

cc: Messrs. Demuth
Sella
Consolo

EFranco/PSella:da

April 29, 1970