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SUBJECT : Food for Peace Branch Monthly Report - April, 1972

I. Commodity Summary - Metric Tons:

<u>Commodity</u>	TA		BKK	Km-14 <u>Storage</u>	Field	VTE	TA 0606 <u>Balance</u>
	0606	<u>1/</u> Landed	Trans <u>Storage</u>		Diversions <u>Cum.</u>	Issues <u>Apr-Cum</u>	
Flour	2,989	<u>2,973</u>	58	768	-	163	2,147
Cornmeal	3,500	3,531	623	899	553	108	1,456
CMS	578	584	10	325	1	48	248
WSB	578	578	11	376	-	19	191
Bulgur	900	900	19	478	126	84	277
NFDMilk	360	360	-	23	1	12	347
Veg Oil	<u>540</u>	<u>540</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>105</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>424</u>
Totals	9,445	9,466	721	2,974	692	450	5,090

1/ 989 MT's flour is the only item received to date under new TA 2608

2/ Includes 11 MT's borrowed from CRS.

During the next report period 590 MT's cornmeal are expected at the B Port completing shipment of the 8,456 MT's of food approved under TA

Approval of the new TA-2608 has been received for 11,850 MT's. An initial shipment of 989 MT's of flour has been received under this TA. The next shipment are expected to arrive at Bangkok about July 1.

Cornmeal/CSM airdrops from Vientiane totaled 186 MT's during April. Field reports indicate good recipient acceptance of the higher protein cornmeal-CSM mix. 200 MT's of cornmeal are planned for airdrops during May. In addition, 100 MT's of noodles are programmed to be dropped in the rice replacement program.

II. Recipients:

PL-480 food was distributed as a supplement or rice replacement ration in the following areas during April:

Ban Xone area	102,360	Recipients
Vang Vieng area	8,500	"
Vientiane area	28,500	"
Paksane area	10,010	"
Ban Houei Sai area	3,500	"
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Total:	152,370	Recipients

The closure of Route 13 South has caused a delay in food shipments to Thakhek and Savannakhet. It is expected that shipment by barge will be completed in early May for the feeding programs at those locations.

III. Noodle Production:

With the arrival of new flour stock, noodle production resumed after a six week delay. April production totaled 163 MT's and stock on hand at the end of the report period was 101 MT's

The condition of the new flour is excellent; extra sifting is not required. WSB and NFD Milk mix in easily. The efficiency of the factory is thus greatly increased.

A delay has been experienced in receiving customs clearance for the two continuous process noodle machines made in Bangkok. The machines are ready for delivery and it is hoped customs clearance will be shortly forthcoming.

IV. Clothing Project:

The Thakhek project resumed operations in April and fabricated 4,950 pieces of men's and boys' clothing from PL-480 cloth. 30,000 pieces of finished clothing from Thakhek were received at the RLG/SW warehouse at That Khao during April and are being readied for distribution.

Operations at Ban Houei Sai remain suspended pending selection of eligible participants.

V. PL-480 Refugee Food Demonstrations:

Demonstrations continued at refugee sites at Luang Prabang, Vang Vieng, Paksane and the Vientiane Plain with good success reported.

VI. Field Trips:

The Food For Peace staff made field trips to Phone Hong and Luang Prabang during the report period.

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