

TO : Mr. John W. MacQueen, AD/RA Date: February 9, 1972

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SUBJECT : Food For Peace Branch Monthly Report - January, 1972

I. Commodity Summary - Metric Tons.

<u>Commodity</u>	<u>TA 0606</u>	<u>Landed or Transit Enroute</u>	<u>Storage</u>	<u>KM-14 Storage</u>	<u>Field Diversions</u>		<u>VTE Issues</u>		<u>TA Balance</u>
					<u>Jan</u>	<u>Cum</u>	<u>Jan</u>	<u>Cum</u>	
Flour	2,000	1,984	-	74	-	-	233	1910	16
Corn meal	3,500	2,902	6	421	93	2/ 553	60	1109	598
CSM	578	564	110	53	-	1	5	160	14
WSB	578	577	-	117	-	-	10	158	1
Bulgur	900	900	5	90	-	126	13	179	-
MFD Milk	360	360	-	36	1/	1	-	334	-
Veg Oil	540	540	-	161	-	11	21	368	-
<b>Totals</b>	<b>8,456</b>	<b>7,827</b>	<b>121</b>	<b>952</b>	<b>93</b>	<b>692</b>	<b>342</b>	<b>4,218</b>	<b>629</b>

1/ Includes 11 MT's borrowed from CRS and 5 MT's returned from the field.

2/ Shipped during CY 1971.

During the report period 110 Metric Tons (MT) of CSM arrived at the Bangkok Port. In addition, 800 MT of cornmeal, 500 MT of bulgur wheat, 300 MT of WSB and 250 MT of CSM are expected to arrive in port within two weeks. Cornmeal air drops from Vientiane totaled 60 MT during the report period. 200 MT's of cornmeal are planned for air drops during the February period.

II. Noodle Production.

The KM-4 Noodle Factory produced 200 MT of enriched noodles during January. 96.0 MT were delivered to Vientiane Plain area refugees, and 104 MT were stockpiled for future requirement. The present stock of processed noodles is 178 MT.

The present stock of flour will be depleted by mid-February. As yet, this office has not received notice of shipment of the 1,000 MT of flour approved in December by AID/W. During the 8-10 week period flour is out of stock, the noodle contractor plans to renovate his factory to increase production capacity with the installation of 2 new continuous noodle making machines. It is anticipated that enough enriched noodles will be stockpiled to avert disruption in normal deliveries to Vientiane Plain area refugees.

III. Clothing Project.

At month's end, the Food For Peace Officer inspected the sewing project at Thakhek and was impressed with the progress made during the past three months. Production has increased from three thousand to ten thousand pieces per month. Plans are now being made to achieve a rate of twenty thousand finished pieces per month.

The Ban Houie Sai sewing project has been temporarily suspended because of lack of American personnel to adequately supervise the operation.

The opening of the Ban Xon project has been delayed because of the area's turbulent security situation.

IV. PL - 480 Refugee Food Demonstration.

This month's highlight of the country - wide PL - 480 food preparation demonstration program occurred in Thakhek. At the provincial festival held in honor of the visit of His Majesty the King, a PL 480 food "tastetable" presented seven recipes incorporating cornmeal, bulgur, CSM and WSB with local fruits, vegetables and meats for sampling by festival officials and villagers. And estimated 1,000 persons sampled the food during the five - day event and comments were overwhelmingly favorable. Food For Peace Office Assistant Meng Vongkhamdeng did a very commendable job in supervising the "taste table" demonstration, and in assisting local home demonstration agents who were responsible for the operation.

V. Field Trips and Personnel.

The Food For Peace Officer visited Thakhek for four days to inspect the PL - 480 sewing program and the food demonstration at the local festival.

Mr. Wade Chubbuck returned from home leave to resume his duties as Assistant Food For Peace Officer.

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