shipments to Greece beyond the exhaustion of the first 50,000 tons. Dr. Wilson pointed out that the problem was one of maintaining average monthly exports of 15,000 tons from Canada and 9,000 tons from Argentina to meet the Greek requirements of 24,000 tons per month.

Mr. Viacava undertook to consult his Government about the principle of continuing shipments from Argentina beyond the 50,000 tons and the Executive Committee regarded this a matter within its competence to either allocate further quantities to Greece from the remaining 150,000 tons which Argentina has agreed to make available to the Wheat Council for relief allocations, or if for any reason the Argentine Governmnt desires to discontinue shipping to Greece, the Executive Committee would then recommend an alternative source of shipment.

This matter is to be discussed at the next meeting of the Executive Committee, which will be held some time in September, at which time Mr. Viacava will be able to report on the views of his Government.

Yours faithfully,

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Following for H. F. Angus from Bull, Begins: With reference to the Argentine gift of wheat to Greece.

It was reported at last week's meeting of the Inter-Agency Committee that this question had been discussed with the International Wheat Council, and that the Argentine representative had agreed to take this matter up with his Government. As no reply had been received from the Argentine by September 15th the Argentine representative on the International Wheat Council followed up his original inquiry. The prospects are good that the second 50,000 tons of wheat will be forthcoming; if not, the United States will supply this wheat. The shipment of the first 50,000 tons will be completed in November.

On the question of Greek relief supplies from Argentina, the Swedish Commission recently asked for an increase of 1,000 tons per month in the supply of fats. The Ministry of Economic Warfare suggested to the Greeks that they ask F.E.A. to obtain 1000 tons of sunflower oil in the Argentine for shipment to Greece. In the course of the discussion it was reported that the State Department had requested the Greek Government not to ask the Argentine Government for any further grants of food stuffs, and that the Greeks have concurred. F.E.A. will increase the shipment of lard and soya oil