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QUARTERLY PROGRESS REPORT OF EXPORT PROMOTION PROGRAM AT MISSIONS ABROAD FOR FISCAL YEAR 88 FORECAST OF KEY ACTIVITIES AND ANTICIPATED RESULTS STATED IN MISSION'S ANNUAL PLAN

POST :346-BAGHDAD

003-GRAINS AND OILSEEDS IRAQ

PLANNING: ACTIVITIES PROPOSED IN POST PLAN:

ANTICIPATED RESULTS:

CEREAL GRAINS

ASSIST CANADIAN WHEAT BOARD IN ITS RELATIONS WITH IRAQI GRAIN ENSURE SMOOTH RUNNING OF LTA AND ASSIST WHEN BOARD IN THIRD YEAR OF CANADA-IRAQ LONG TERM AGREEMENT.

MONITOR STATUS OF TRANSPORTATION CREDITS GRANTED BY USA AND AUSTRALIA AND ADVISE CWB ABOUT RECOMMENDED CANADIAN POLICY.

CO-ORDINATE NEW TRAINING ACTIVITIES OF CANADIAN INTERNATIONAL GRAINS INSTITUTE FOR IRAQI SPECIALISTS.

PAYMENTS TO CWB ARE DELAYED.

HELP TO PROTECT SIZEABLE CANADIAN MARKET SHARE OF IRAQI GRAIN IMPORTS.

ENHANCE REPUTATION OF CANADA AS TECHNOLOGI-CALLY ADVANCED SUPPLIER OF HIGHEST QUALITY MILLING WHEAT.

OILSEEDS

CANOLA TECHNICAL AWARENESS SEMINARS (ORIGINALLY SCHEDULED FOR 1987/88 TO BE RESCHEDULED) CANADIAN INDUSTRY MUST BE CONVINCED OF ATTRACTIVENESS OF IRAQI AND ARAB MARKET.

CONTINUE WORK WITH APPLIED AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH CENTRE AND COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE, UNIVERSITY OF BAGHDAD, TO EXPAND FIELD TRIALS OF CANADIAN CANOLA CULTIVATED IN IRAO.

> WORK WITH ARAB FEDERATION FOR FOOD INDUSTRIES TO INCREASE EXPOSU-RE TO CANADIAN TECHNOLOGY AND EXPERIENCE IN OILSEEDS AND OTHER FOOD AREAS.

IMPROVE ARAB AWARENESS OF TECHNICAL NUTRITIO-NAL AND AGRICULTURAL MERITS OF GROWING AND CONSUMING CANADIAN CANOLA.

PRELIMINARY RESULTS HAVE BEEN OUTSTANDING: IF EXPERIENCE CONTINUES, LARGE MARKET FOR CANOLA SEED COULD BE CREATED.

WITH GREATER EXPOSURE, ARAB (AND IRAQI) FOOD INDUSTRIES ARE MORE LIKELY TO SEEK OUT CON SOURCES OF SUPPLY.

TRACKING:

ACTIVITIES UNDERTAKEN IN QUARTER:

QUARTERLY RESULTS REPORTED:

QUARTER: 1 ----

QUARTER: 2 ----

QUARTER: 3 Continue to work with GBI to ease payment

problems to CWB.

OUARTER: 4 ----

Work continued but payments delays increasing due to shortage of foreign exchange.