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September 9, 1982

MEMORANDUM FOR CRAIG L. FULLER

FROM: BECKY NORTON DUNLOP

SUBJECT: *comment* PEACE CORPS REQUEST FOR 1983
goal BUDGET INCREASE

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Peace Corps Participation in the C&I

Peace Corps

Washington, D.C. 20525

Office of the Director

August 17, 1982

CONFIDENTIAL

MEMORANDUM

TO: Judge William P. Clark
Assistant to the President for
National Security Affairs

FROM: Loret M.  Ruppe
Director, Peace Corps

SUBJECT: Peace Corps Participation in Lebanon Reconstruction

Peace Corps has been in discussion with AID personnel on the possible participation of Peace Corps Volunteers in the reconstruction of war torn Lebanon which will be carried out by USAID with \$40 million currently appropriated by Congress.

Peace Corps has responded to disaster relief calls in past years on such projects as:

1. 1972 Peru earthquake
2. 1976 Guatemala hurricane
3. 1977 Fiji hurricane
4. 1979 Dominican Republic hurricane
5. 1982 Tonga hurricane

In all of these instances Peace Corps was able to move Volunteers quickly and effectively to meet health, sanitation and reconstruction needs. In addition, Peace Corps was able to collaborate swiftly with government and Private Voluntary Organizations (PVO's) already operating in the country where the disaster had occurred.

The Lebanon situation provides a unique opportunity to demonstrate to the citizens of Lebanon and the rest of the world the Peace motives and human concerns of President Reagan and the American people.

The Peace Corps is ready to assist the President to seize this initiative.

A Peace Corps task force could be operational in 15 days in Lebanon. A Peace Force of 200 Volunteers serving for three months would cost less than \$1 million.

bcc: Craig Fuller
Richard Darman

'82 AUG 17 P7:26

Peace Corps

Dear Craig,

Becky -
- you have a
real fan in
Lois!

CK
(File)

A copy of our letter to Sam is
enclosed - we've been working closely with
O.H.B.. I really appreciate all you've been
doing - Becky, too.

We have signed letters of agreement

with Haiti — so much to be done in the C. B. I.
& our other countries — we can do it with their
help but we need the assurance now so we
can move forward.

Thanks, please advise.

Love

Have made calls on Tap Bill — The President
was great!

Peace Corps

Washington, D.C. 20525

Office of the Director

August 17, 1982

Honorable David Stockman
Director, Office of Management
and Budget
Executive Office of the President
Washington, D.C. 20503

Dear Dave:

President Reagan recently renewed his commitment to the Peace Corps, as it exemplifies many of this Administration's major policy initiatives: volunteerism, self-sufficiency, grass roots economic development and efficiency in government development assistance. More importantly, however, the Peace Corps can provide an immediate tangible and visible indication of the President's commitment to world peace; to his foreign assistance policy as stated at Cancun and Philadelphia; and, most particularly, to the Caribbean Basin Initiative.

The Peace Corps' ability to support the President in these areas is largely constrained by the FY 1983 budget limitations. Despite concerted planning on our part to target available resources to areas which most directly support the Administration's initiatives, the proposed budget level of \$97.5 million precludes the needed flexibility to implement the President's initiatives and may well represent the loss of an opportunity to clearly demonstrate his commitment to peace and development in a very inexpensive manner.

Taking these things into account, I find myself compelled to raise before you a proposal that the Peace Corps' FY 1983 budget request be amended such that the program is funded in 1983 at the 1982 current level of \$105 million. This would represent a \$7.5 million increase from current FY 1983 assumptions.

Program Requirements

Overseas Program Requests: \$5.9 million

The Peace Corps finds itself daily rejecting both Host Country requests for assistance and qualified U.S. citizens who are applying to serve overseas. An additional \$5.9 million would provide for the placement of nearly 400 more Americans overseas, working directly with some of the poorest peoples of the world, in programs designed to help them to help themselves. Significantly, almost 50 of these volunteers -- 12% -- are slated for Caribbean Basin countries in programs designed to be income generating for the poorest levels of society. The remaining 350 would be placed around the world, in countries such as Morocco, the Phillipines, Jamaica, Kenya, Yemen, and Zaire. These countries have a desperate need

for our assistance, and have submitted actual requests in areas which meet our programming capabilities.

Moreover, we have recently completed negotiations on new country agreements with Haiti and Burundi. At the \$97.5 million level we will be unable to program volunteers in these countries and negotiations with Egypt, Panama, Korea, Peru and Bolivia will have to be suspended.

Program Quality Initiatives: \$1.6 million

The Peace Corps this year was legislatively separated from the ACTION agency. Shortly after that, an ACTION Inspector General report was issued summarizing long standing deficiencies in Peace Corps administration. The report served to verify assessments I had already made and strengthened my commitment to make the agency an efficient and effective business-like operation. This year we have made great strides toward that goal. We have a strong management team in place. We have developed a comprehensive 3 year program plan, and we have numerous tasks in progress which are designed to professionalize administrative staff, streamline management systems and procedures (e.g. enhanced audit capability and improved accounting and management information systems), and generally better enable us to run the program effectively. Also, within this amount we will continue to replace dangerous and unsafe vehicles in the Peace Corps vehicle fleet on a regular basis. Improvements will be made in volunteer selection and training in certain countries. Most, if not all, of these initiatives will have to be tabled or severely curtailed at the \$97.5 million level.

The Peace Corps is a high visibility, immediate impact, cost effective development tool. It should be used and targeted by this Administration. It represents a unique opportunity and ready vehicle for the Reagan Administration to demonstrate its commitment to peace through development, for a very small additional amount of money. The Congress may make this determination for us, as they did last year in reversing the Administration's budget decisions with regard to the Peace Corps. However, this year, I would rather it be the President's initiative. I know you share my feeling in this area.

Sincerely,



Loret Miller Ruppe
Director

Attachment

SUMMARY OF BUDGET AMENDMENT

	<u>Appropriation</u>	<u>FTE</u>	<u>Trainee/ Input</u>	<u>Volunteer Years</u>	<u>EOY T's & V's</u>
FY 1982	\$105,000,000	884	2,800	4,509	5,395
FY 1983- Current	97,500,000	981	2,453	4,643	5,050
FY 1983- Proposed	<u>105,000,000</u>	<u>1,007</u>	<u>2,835</u>	<u>4,750</u>	<u>5,400</u>
Amount of Difference	<u>+ 7,500,000</u>	<u>+ 26</u>	<u>+ 382</u>	<u>+ 107</u>	<u>+350</u>

Program increases \$ 5,900,000

Management and Quality
Improvements \$ 1,600,000

Total \$ 7,500,000

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

August 16, 1982

MEMORANDUM FOR PHIL DuSAULT

FROM: NANCY A. HODAPP
OFFICE OF CABINET AFFAIRS

SUBJECT: Peace Corps/Caribbean Basin Initiative

As discussed earlier today, attached is the material submitted to Craig Fuller by Loret Ruppe, outlining the proposal for Peace Corps participation in the CBI.

Subsequent to our conversation of this morning, I am advised that Loret is conducting a full-scale lobbying effort -- having already talked to Joe Wright, Dave Stockman; and planning to talk to Bill Schneider shortly.

Our concern is that everyone is singing from the same sheet of music on this. Would you get back to me by 4:00 PM today with the status of what you/OMB have done with the Peace Corps proposal to date. If you can get something to me in writing, I would appreciate greatly; however, if time constraints prohibit that, a phone call no later than 4:00 PM will be fine.

Many thanks.

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required

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Thayer planning to
have a 3rd
meeting week --
next

Peace Corps

Washington, D.C. 20525

Peace Corps is unique in international development. The Corps capitalizes on its main resources -- people and ideas. Peace Corps can formulate high impact grassroots projects and move fast in non-bureaucratic ways.

Traditional governmental and international development assistance agencies and banks are slow, cumbersome and bureaucratically oriented rather than people oriented. A large portion of development money channeled through them goes to support bureaucracies. Often, the people who need it most don't even realize that the U.S. is providing aid to their country.

Peace Corps has already moved forward on the Caribbean Basin Initiative.

Peace Corps has focused in on specific promising small and medium scale agri-business ideas and is already helping to get them going. That's the way free enterprise economies get started. People don't wait for a comprehensive plan and see if they fit in. Free enterprise economies develop when people get an idea, find out if they've got a product, do their cost/revenue homework, then get it off the ground. Crayfish for export in St. Vincent, commercial sheep production in Barbados and Jamaica -- one success sparks another.

Peace Corps has a unique ability to make the Caribbean Basin Initiative a tangible reality for many people in the Caribbean in the shortest possible time.

Peace Corps

Washington, D.C. 20525

Office of the Director

August 10, 1982

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to your Peace
Corps file
Bme*

Honorable Craig Fuller
Assistant to the President
for Cabinet Affairs
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Craig,

Thank you very much for meeting with me last Friday. I realize that the notice was short, but the topic was timely and opportune in view of the President's recent personal support of the Caribbean Basin Initiative. As you know, Peace Corps has a unique ability to make the Caribbean Basin Initiative a tangible reality in the shortest possible time.

In a broader sense we discussed the future of the Peace Corps and the impact of the budget reduction in FY 1983 from \$105 million to \$97.5 million. This, coupled with a composite inflation factor of 8 percent will show a further decline of Peace Corps to the Congress and the American public at a time when defense spending is at its heaviest level in U.S. peacetime history. Our overall worldwide Volunteer level would be reduced from 4,800 to 4,400. However, if we were able to maintain a "straight line" budget we could accomplish the following:

- Credit President Reagan with implementing a follow-up to the Cancun Conference and demonstrate a further commitment to his volunteer peace effort.
- Implement the CBI program as outlined in the briefing paper submitted to you Friday which can be operational within 90 days.
- Maintain 400 American Volunteers worldwide whose programs would not otherwise be renewed, demonstrating a further reduction of Peace Corps to the developing world.
- Answer special requests from Prime Minister Seaga of Jamaica, President Moi of Kenya, Ambassador Reed of Morocco and Government Ministers of the Philippines (see attached project description).
- Consider entries into Haiti, Egypt, Panama, Peru, Korea and Burundi.
- Address much needed management initiatives to include an enhanced audit cycle and improved accounting and management information systems.

In closing, I am preparing a similar briefing for the Budget Review Board and will share a copy of that presentation with you. Essentially, I will be asking for a \$105 million budget for FY 1983.

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Craig, thank you for giving me the opportunity to discuss a plus proposal for the President and thank you for your support of the Peace Corps.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Loret".

Loret Miller Ruppe
Director

Enclosure

SPECIAL PROJECT REQUEST EXAMPLES - FY 1983

Jamaica

Project:

Human Employment and Resource Training (HEART)

Staffing Cost:

3 technical specialists assigned to host agency

Peace Corps Volunteers:

12 instructors in trade skills

Kenya

Projects:

Agriculture, fisheries, forestry and cooperatives

Staffing Cost:

1 technical specialist

Peace Corps Volunteers:

8 Agroforestry extension agents (Winter start)

10 Fish pond agents (Summer start)

10 Coop advisors (Summer start)

10 Small animal extension agents (Summer start)

10 Grain storage agents (Winter start)

48 Total

Morocco

Project:

Special Education

Peace Corps Volunteers:

10 Physical Therapists

5 Special education teachers

15 Total

Philippines

Project:

Income Generation Development

Peace Corps Volunteers:

20 Ag Econ/Ag Business or Business Management

PEACE CORPS
CARIBBEAN BASIN INITIATIVE

E/S
Becky —
would you get
an OMB assessment
& develop an
options paper.
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OFFICE OF CABINET AFFAIRS ACTION TRACKING WORKSHEET

Action resulting from:

- ☒ document (attached)
☐ telephone call
☐ meeting (attach conference report if available)

Document Date: 82 / 08 / 06From: Loret RuppeDate Received: 82 / 08 / 06Subject: The Value of Peace Corps Participation in the CBI

ACTION CODES:

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| A — Appropriate Action | D — Draft Response | R — Direct Reply w/Copy |
| B — Briefing Paper | F — Furnish Fact Sheet | S — For Signature |
| C — Comment/Recommendation | I — Info Copy Only/No Action Necessary | X — Interim Reply |

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Date Sent	Name	Action Codes	Date Due	Action Taken
82/08/09	1. Dunlop	A	82/08/25	
82/08/09	[2] Hodapp		82/08/23	
/ /	(3) Dunlop		/ /	CLOSE memo attached
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COMMENTS: 1. Would you get an OMB assessment and develop an options paper.[2] talk with Phil DuSault/OMB(3) DuSault presenting options paper to Wright/Stockman/KeelOriginator: ☐ Dunlop ☐ Faoro ☒ Fuller ☐ Gonzalez ☐ Hart ☐ Hodapp

**KEEP THIS WORKSHEET ATTACHED TO THE ORIGINAL INCOMING MATERIAL AND
WHEN THE ASSIGNED ACTION IS COMPLETE,
RETURN TO:**

Office of Cabinet Affairs
 Attention: Karen Hart (x-2823)
 West Wing/Ground Floor

Peace Corps

Washington, D.C. 20525

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August 6, 1982

MEMORANDUM

To : Craig Fuller
Assistant to the President
for Cabinet Affairs

From : Loret Miller Ruppe
Director

Subject: The Value of Peace Corps Participation in the CBI

The Peace Corps' additional resource request for CBI projects in FY 1983 would accomplish the following:

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Peace Corps

Dear Luigi —

Your help is much appreciated by
me, Peace Corps, and thousands of people in
the countries of the 3rd world.

Pls advise me All best,
Loret

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Peace Corps

Washington, D.C. 20525

August 4, 1982

MEMORANDUM

To : David Scotton
Special Assistant to the Director

From : Luis R. del Rio
Director
Inter-American Operations

Subject: Proposed Peace Corps CBI Project Costs

The attached table provides an estimate of CBI project costs at maximum implementation in 1983.

The projects listed for each country are based upon either a verbal or written expressed interest or priority. There are other potential projects which may be even more feasible.

The number of PCVs includes agriculturally skilled PCVs and PCVs with business backgrounds. A few are on-site and have a year or more of service to complete.

The cost of training is calculated on the basis of centralized skill training for 8 weeks for PCVs going to English speaking countries and 12 weeks combined language and skill training for PCVs going to Spanish or French speaking countries.

The cost of PCV support is calculated by multiplying the variable living allowance at each site plus leave allowance times the number of PCVs at the site plus an \$850.00 average air transport cost for those PCVs not presently in-country.

The cost of the commercial expert support to PCVs is calculated on \$300.00 per day and includes consultant fee, per diem and allowable incidental expenses. An additional 2000 - 3000 is added as applicable for air travel and typing costs.

The cost of supplies and equipment for PCV conducted field trials and processing experiments in connection with determining agribusiness feasibility will vary depending on the task. Funds are included for this purpose to insure that progress does not get bogged down because of lack of access to materials for this basic purpose. The agribusiness development concept is new (as the CBI is new) to most host countries and we cannot realistically expect them to have funds available for these activities until we demonstrate what can be done.

The total cost per country is summarized below:

<u>Country</u>	<u>Total Cost</u>
Antigua/Barbuda	42,500
Barbados	42,537
Belize	47,932
Costa Rica	75,200
Dominica	86,952
Dominican Republic	86,968
Guatemala	54,676
Honduras	84,592
Haiti	90,632
Montserrat	41,274
Jamaica	143,844
St. Kitts/Nevis	56,274
St. Lucia	94,952
St. Vincent	48,450
Turks & Caicos	37,602
Total	\$1,034,385

Detailed breakdowns of estimates are attached as Attachment "A".

PEACE CORPS CBI POTENTIAL EXPENDITURES FOR 1983 AT MAXIMUM IMPLEMENTATION

ATTACHMENT A

COUNTRY	NO. PROJECTS	TYPE OF PROJECT (PRELIMINARY ESTIMATE)	NO. OF PCV	COST OF TRAINING (PCV)	COST OF PCV SUPPORT (TRANSPORTATION, LIVING ALLOWANCE, LV ALLOWANCE)	COMM. AGRIBUSINESS EXPERT TECHNICAL ASST. TO PCV IN TECHNICAL TRIALS & BUSINESS PLAN DEVELOPMENT	SUPPLIES & EQUIPMENT FOR FIELD TRIALS & DEMONSTRATION	TOTALS
ANTIGUA/ BARBUDA	1	CORN/CORN MEAL PROCESS.	2	6,400	6,100	14,000	16,000	42,500
BARBADOS	2	SHEEP AND VEG. PRODUCT.	3	9,600	8,937	14,000	10,000	42,537
BELIZE	1	FISHERIES	2	6,400	6,532	20,000	15,000	47,932
COSTA RICA	2	ROOT CROPS FISHERIES	4	15,600	11,600	28,000	20,000	75,200
DOMINICA	3	MOHOGANY: PIC- TURE FRAMES OYSTERS/CRAW- FISH	4	12,800	12,152	42,000	20,000	86,952
DOMINICAN REPUBLIC	2	POULTRY/SWINE SHEEP & GOATS	4	15,600	17,368	34,000	20,000	86,968
GUATEMALA	2	FRUIT TREES VEG. PRODUCT.	2	7,800	8,876	28,000	10,000	54,676
HONDURAS	2	FISHERIES VEG. PRODUCT.	4	15,600	14,992	34,000	20,000	84,592
HAITI	2	SWINE/POULTRY FRUIT TREES	4	19,200	16,432	40,000	15,000	90,632
MONTSERRAT	1	FISHERIES	1	3,200	3,074	20,000	15,000	41,274
JAMAICA	4	SHEEP/GOATS SHRIMP, VEG. FIBRES, HORTI- CULTURE	8 *	19,200	23,644	71,000	30,000	143,844
ST. KITTS/ NEVIS	1	FISHERIES/ FISH PRODUCT.	1	3,200	3,074	25,000	25,000	56,274
ST. LUCIA	2	FISHERIES FRUIT TREES & VEG. FIBRE	4	12,800	12,152	45,000	25,000	94,952
ST. VINCENT	2	CRAWFISH PEANUTS/PEA- NUT PROCESS.	2 **	3,200	5,250	30,000	10,000	48,450
TURKS & CAICOS	1	SHELLFISH	1	3,200	4,402	20,000	10,000	37,602
TOTALS	27		46	\$153,800	\$154,585	\$465,000	\$261,000	\$1,034,385

* 2 Already on site

** 1 Already on site

ANTIGUA/BARBUDA

PROJECT:

Corn Production/Corn Meal Processing for Human Consumption

PCV's:

- 1 AG/CORN Production Specialist
- 1 A.B. Business Specialist

TRAINING COST:

2 PCV's x 8 weeks each @ \$400 per week	6,400
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PCV SUPPORT COST:

2 PCV's Air Transportation @ \$850 each, Living and Leave Allowance @ \$2200 each	6,100
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COMMERCIAL EXPERT:

Corn Meal Milling, Processing and Marketing for 40 days @ \$300 plus Air Transportation and Typing Costs @ \$2000	14,000
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SUPPLIES & EQUIPMENT:

Small Scale Hammer Mill and Supplies to make Drying Equipment	16,000
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	TOTAL:	<u>\$42,500</u>
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BARBADOS

PROJECT:

- (a) Blackbelly Sheep Commercial Start-Up Assistance
- (b) Vegetable Production and Marketing

PCV's:

- 1 Forage Agronomist
- 1 Vegetable Extension Specialist
- 1 Vegetable Processing and Marketing Specialist

TRAINING COST:

3 PCV's x 8 weeks each @ \$400 per week	9,600
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PCV SUPPORT COSTS:

3 PCV's Air Transportation @ \$850 each, Living and Leave Allowance @ \$2129 each	8,937
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COMMERCIAL EXPERT:

Vegetable and Fruit Production and Marketing for 40 days @ \$300 plus Air Fare and Typing @ \$2000	14,000
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SUPPLIES AND EQUIPMENT:

Demonstration Vegetable Production Equipment @ \$5000, Vegetable Sorting Equipment and Market Test Expenses @ \$5000	10,000
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TOTAL:	<u>\$42,537</u>
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BELIZE

PROJECT:

Pelagic Fisheries

PCV's:

1 Boat and Gear Specialist
1 Fish Marketing Specialist

TRAINING COST:

2 PCV's x 8 weeks @ \$400 per week 6,400

PCV SUPPORT COSTS:

2 PCV's Air Transportation @ \$850 each, Living
and Leave Allowance @ \$2416 each 6,532

COMMERCIAL EXPERT:

Pelagic Commercial Fishing for 60 days @ \$300
plus Air Fare and Typing @ \$2000 20,000

SUPPLIES AND EQUIPMENT:

Materials for Boad Modification & Demonstration
Fishing Gear 15,000

TOTAL: \$47,932

COSTA RICA

PROJECT:

- (a) Commercial Root Crops
- (b) Fish Farming

PCV's:

- 1 Root Crop Processing Technician
- 1 Vegetable Marketing Technician
- 1 Fish Farming Technician
- 1 Fish Marketing Technician

TRAINING COSTS:

4 PCV's x 12 weeks @ \$325 per week	15,600
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PCV SUPPORT COSTS:

4 PCV's Air Transportation @ \$850, Living and Leave Allowance @ \$2050 each	11,600
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COMMERCIAL EXPERT:

Root Crop Processing & Marketing for 40 days @ \$300 plus Transportation and Typing @ \$2000, Fish Marketing for 40 days @ \$300 plus Transportation and Typing @ \$2000	28,000
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SUPPLIES AND EQUIPMENT:

Root Crop Processing Equipment @ \$10,000, Fish Marketing Demonstration Equipment @ \$10,000	20,000
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TOTAL:	<u>\$75,200</u>
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DOMINICA

PROJECT:

- (a) Mohogany/Picture Frame Production
- (b) Oyster Production
- (c) Crayfish Production

PCV's:

- 1 Wood Products Specialist
- 1 A. B. Business Specialist
- 1 Oyster Specialist
- 1 Crayfish Specialist

TRAINING COST:

4 PCV's x 8 weeks @ \$400 per week	12,800
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PCV SUPPORT COSTS:

4 PCV's Air Transportation @ \$850, Living and Leave Allowance @ \$2188 each	12,152
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COMMERCIAL EXPERT:

Commercial Cabinet Maker for 40 days @ \$300, Oyster Production for 40 days @ \$300, Cray- fish Production for 40 days @ \$300 plus \$6000 Transportation and Typing	42,000
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SUPPLIES AND EQUIPMENT:

Demonstration Cutting and Cabinet Making Equip- ment @ \$8000, Materials & Supplies for Demon- stration Oyster Farming Process @ \$7000, Materials and Supplies for Demonstration Crayfish Farming Process @ \$5000	20,000
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TOTAL:	<u>\$86,952</u>
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DOMINICAN REPUBLIC

PROJECT:

- (a) Swine/Poultry Combined Production
- (b) Sheep/Goat Combined Production

PCV's:

- 1 Animal Husbandry
- 1 Poultry Specialist
- 1 Small Ruminant Specialist
- 1 A.B. Business Specialist

TRAINING COSTS:

4 PCV's x 12 weeks @ \$325 per week	15,600
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PCV SUPPORT COSTS:

4 PCV's Air Transportation @ \$850, Living and Leave Allowance @ \$3492 each	17,368
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COMMERCIAL EXPERT:

Poultry/Swine Production Combination Specialist for 40 days @ \$300, Sheep/Goat Production Specialist for 60 days @ \$300 plus Air Trans- portation and Typing @ \$4000	34,000
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SUPPLIES AND EQUIPMENT:

Demonstration Poultry/Swine Production Materials @ \$15,000, Sheep/Goat Demonstration Materials and By-Products Testing @ \$5000	20,000
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TOTAL:	<u>\$86,968</u>
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GUATEMALA

PROJECT:

- (a) Commercial Fruit Tree Production
- (b) Commercial Vegetable Production

PCV's:

- 1 Fruit Tree Specialist
- 1 Vegetable Production/Marketing Specialist

TRAINING COSTS:

2 PCV's x 12 weeks @ \$325 per week	7,800
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PCV SUPPORT COSTS:

2 PCV's Air Transportation @ \$850, Living and Leave Allowance @ \$3588 each	8,876
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COMMERCIAL EXPERT:

Fruit Production & Marketing for 40 days @ \$300, Vegetable Production & Marketing for 40 days @ \$300 plus Air Transportation and Typing @ \$4000	28,000
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SUPPLIES AND EQUIPMENT:

Fruit Grading & Processing and Demonstration Equipment @ \$5000, Vegetable Grading and Processing Equipment @ \$5000	10,000
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	TOTAL:
	<u>\$54,676</u>

HONDURAS

PROJECT:

- (a) Commercial Vegetable Production
- (b) Pelagic Fisheries

PCV's:

- 1 Vegetable Production Specialist
- 1 Vegetable Marketing Specialist (A.B. Business)
- 1 Boat & Gear Specialist
- 1 Fish Processing/Marketing Specialist

TRAINING COSTS:

4 PCV's x 12 weeks @ \$325 per week	15,600
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PCV SUPPORT COSTS:

4 PCV's Air Transportation @ \$850 each, Living and Leave Allowance @ \$2898 each	14,992
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COMMERCIAL EXPERT:

Vegetable Production/Marketing for 40 days @ \$300, Pelagic Fisheries Production & Marketing for 60 days @ \$300 plus Air Transportation and Typing @ \$4000	34,000
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SUPPLIES AND EQUIPMENT:

Vegetable Production Demonstration Materials @ \$5000, Boat Modification & Fish Gear Demonstration Materials @ \$15,000	20,000
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TOTAL:	<u>\$84,592</u>
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HAITI

PROJECT:

- (a) Swine/Poultry Production
- (b) Fruit & Forage Tree Production

PCV's:

- 1 Swine Production Specialist
- 1 Poultry Production Specialist
- 1 Fruit Tree Production Specialist
- 1 A. B. Business Specialist

TRAINING COSTS:

4 PCV's x 12 weeks @ \$400 per week	19,200
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PCV SUPPORT COSTS:

4 PCV's Air Transportation @ \$850 each, Living and Leave Allowance @ \$3258 each	16,432
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COMMERCIAL EXPERTS:

Swine/Poultry Combined Production for 60 days @ \$300, Fruit Tree Production Specialist for 60 days @ \$300 plus Air Transportation and Typing @ \$4000	40,000
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SUPPLIES AND EQUIPMENT:

Swine/Poultry Production Demonstration Equipment	15,000
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TOTAL:	<u>\$90,632</u>
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MONTSERRAT

PROJECT:

Fisheries

PCV's;

1 Fisheries Specialist

TRAINING COSTS:

1 PCV x 8 weeks @ \$400 per week	3,200
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PCV SUPPORT COSTS:

1 PCV Air Transportation @ \$850, Living and Leave Allowance @ \$2,224	3,074
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COMMERCIAL EXPERT:

Fisheries Production & Marketing for 60 days @ \$300 plus Air Transportation and Typing @ \$2000	20,000
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SUPPLIES AND EQUIPMENT:

Fisheries Demonstration Equipment	15,000
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TOTAL:	<u>\$41,274</u>
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JAMAICA

PROJECT:

- (a) Sheep/Goat Combined Production
- (b) Vegetable Fibre for Handcraft
- (c) Commercial Horticulture
- (d) Shrimp Farming

PCV's:

- 1 Shrimp Production Specialist
- 1 Vegetable Fibre Processing Specialist
- 1 Crafts/Marketing Specialist
- 1 Small Ruminant Animal Specialist
- 3 A. B. Business Specialists

TRAINING COSTS:

6 PCV's x 8 weeks @ \$400 per week	19,200
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PCV SUPPORT COSTS:

6 PCV Air Transportation @ \$850 each, 8 PCV Living and Leave Allowance @ \$2,318 each	23,644
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COMMERCIAL EXPERT:

Sheep/Goat Combination Production & Marketing Specialist for 80 days @ \$300, Commercial Vegetable Fibre Processing for 40 days @ \$300, Horticulture Production & Marketing for 60 days @ \$300, Shrimp Production Specialist for 40 days @ \$300, plus Air Transportation and Typing @ \$5000	71,000
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SUPPLIES AND EQUIPMENT:

Sheep & Goat Demonstration and By-Product Testing @ \$5,000, Vegetable Fibre Processing & Testing Equipment @ \$10,000, Horticulture Production Demonstration Materials @ \$7,000, Shrimp Pro- duction Supplies and Materials @ \$8,000	30,000
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TOTAL:	<u>\$143,844</u>
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ST. KITTS/NEVIS

PROJECT:

Commercial Pelagic Fish Production and Processing for Export

PCV's:

1 Fisheries Specialist

TRAINING COSTS:

1 PCV x 8 weeks @ \$400 per week 3,200

PCV SUPPORT COSTS:

1 PCV Air Transportation @ \$850, Living and
Leave Allowance @ \$2,224 each 3,074

COMMERCIAL EXPERT:

1 Boat & Gear Specialist for 40 days @ \$300,
1 Fish Processing Specialist for 30 days @ \$300,
plus Air Transportation and Typing @ \$4,000 27,000

SUPPLIES AND EQUIPMENT:

Boat Modification and Demonstration Gear @ \$20,000,
Fish Processing Test Materials @ \$5,000 27,000

TOTAL: \$56,274

ST. LUCIA

PROJECTS:

- (a) Commercial Fisheries
- (b) Vegetable Fibre for Handcrafts

PCV's:

- 1 Boat & Gear Specialist
- 1 A. B. Business Specialist
- 1 Horticulture Specialist
- 1 Craft Production & Marketing Specialist

TRAINING COSTS:

4 PCV's x 8 weeks @ \$400 per week	12,800
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PCV SUPPORT COSTS:

4 PCV's Air Transportation @ \$850, Living and Leave Allowance @ \$2188 each	12,152
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COMMERCIAL EXPERT:

1 Pelagic Fisheries Expert for 50 days @ \$300, 1 Vegetable Fibre Production & Processing Expert for 40 days @ \$300, 1 Crafts Production Design & Marketing Expert for 40 days @ \$300 plus Air Transportation and Typing @ \$6,000	45,000
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SUPPLIES AND EQUIPMENT:

Boat Modification & Demonstration Gear @ \$15,000, Vegetable Fibre Processing Demonstration Equip- ment @ \$3,000, Crafts Production Demonstration Materials & Equipment @ \$7,000	25,000
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TOTAL:	<u>\$94,952</u>
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ST. VINCENT

PROJECT:

- (a) Commercial Crayfish for Export
- (b) Peanut Production & Processing

PCV's:

- 1 Crayfish Specialist (now on site)
- 1 AB Business Specialist

TRAINING COST:

1 PCV x 8 weeks @ \$400	3,200
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PCV SUPPORT COST:

1 PCV Air Transportation @ \$850	
2 PCV's Living Allowance & Leave Allowance @ \$2200 each	5,250

COMMERCIAL EXPERT:

1 Crayfish Production & Marketing Expert for 60 days @ \$300	
1 Peanut Processing & Marketing Expert for 30 days @ \$300	
Air Transportation & Typing @ \$3,000	30,000

SUPPLIES & EQUIPMENT:

Crayfish Production Demonstration Equipment & Supplies	
@ \$7,000 and Peanut Processing Demonstration Equipment	
@ \$3,000	10,000

TOTAL:	<u>\$48,450</u>
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TURKS & CAICOS ISLANDS

PROJECT:

Conch Shellfish Production

PCV's:

1 Conch Processing & Marketing Specialist

TRAINING COST:

1 PCV x 8 weeks @ \$400 per week	3,200
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PCV SUPPORT COST:

1 PCV Air Transportation @ \$850 and Living Allowance and Leave Allowance @ \$3552	4,402
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COMMERCIAL EXPERT:

Conch Shellfish Production & Marketing for 60 days @ \$300 plus Air Transportation and Typing costs @ \$2,000	20,000
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SUPPLIES & EQUIPMENT:

Conch Shellfish & by-products production Testing & Demonstration Equipment & Supplies	10,000
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TOTAL:	<u>\$37,602</u>
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from
Maiselle

August 2, 1982

Mrs. Loret Miller Ruppe
Director
Peace Corps
806 Connecticut Ave., N.W.
Washington, D. C. 20525

HAND DELIVERED

Dear Mrs. Ruppe:

This is in reply to your letter of July 29, 1982 asking for my help in recruiting volunteers for the Peace Corps.

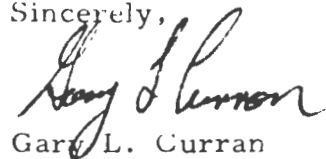
Apparently you can personally sign (e.g. July 29, 1982 letter) when you want help. Why didn't you sign the letter replying to my letter of June 24, 1982 which you personally asked me to write you. You also did not reply to my follow up letter of July 23, 1982. Further I have had no response to my telegram of July 27, 1982 asking for a personal reply to my July 23, 1982 letter nor have you responded to my telegraphic request for a meeting to discuss the questions contained in my June 24 letter.

When can I expect a personal reply to my June 24, 1982 letter?

Please advise me of when we can meet to discuss the issues raised at our June 22, 1982 meeting and my June 24, 1982 letter which you personally requested?

I look forward to an expeditious reply, not another month long wait.

Sincerely,



Gary L. Curran
Legislative Consultant

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Peace Corps

Washington, D.C. 20525

August 2, 1982

Mr. John Charles Houston
Executive Director
Committee of One Hundred
to Defund the Left
499 South Capitol Street
Suite 101
Washington, D.C. 20003

Dear Mr. Houston:

Director Ruppe asked me to respond to your letter of July 23, commenting upon the interim training procedures to educate Volunteers about the menace of communism instituted by the Reagan Administration.

You asked for answers, but the only questions posed were:

1. "What kind of friendship is based on a self-imposed black out of news about reality?"

The alleged "black out" follows your assertion that Peace Corps Volunteers were not supposed to "relate anything about America of a positive nature."

The premise to your question is false. Volunteers are encouraged by this Administration to act, as well as describe, that which is highly positive about America -- its volunteerism, its ingenuity, its entrepreneurial spirit. Volunteers cannot engage in political activity in their host country, however. Within the boundary of that prohibition, Peace Corps Volunteers are encouraged to speak out freely about their own country, their own experiences and their own faith in our system of government.

Volunteers are not in country to be propagandists. Our Nation chooses not to let that be accomplished by Volunteers. Rather, we have a professional staff undertaking those responsibilities, full time.

2. "What are their names, dates of dismissal, and stated grounds of dismissal?"

Your question refers to applicants who had not been approved for training or advancement as potential volunteers, yet it is expressed in terms of "dismissal." We don't keep records of rejections categorized by "grounds." We could not divulge the names of the applicants, by specific order of Congress, anyway.

I appreciate your right to express views of the Director's discussion about the anti-communism training. However, your assertions about her motives ("when you continued to feign ignorance...") do little to help create "a breath of fresh air" to the dialogue.

Mr. John Houston
August 2, 1982
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Thank you for devoting so much time toward the Peace Corps. I hope you will put me on your mailing list for your publications, and I shall be pleased to have you send your publications to my home address, if you wish, so that I shall be certain to receive them promptly, personally.

Sincerely,

Original signed by

John B. Nicholson
Director of Communications

✓CC: Morton Blackwell

John Houston
Executive Director

July 23, 1982

The Honorable Loretta Ruppe
Director of the Peace Corps
1806 Connecticut Avenue
Washington, DC 20525

Dear Mrs. Ruppe:

Pursuant to our meeting, several comments are warranted.

First of all, I appreciate your taking the time necessary to meet with myself as part of a larger group to discuss the Peace Corps.

Second, notwithstanding any statements made by you or your staff, I apologize for any comments which I may have made in response to those statements. I believe, however, that in a frank discussion such as this was supposed to be, half truths and mis-statements of fact by you and your staff were equally out of line. While the tape will show that there were two intemperate remarks in over a two hour span, this meeting was over all a healthy and constructive exchange of views. While conflicting opinions may distress you, I and all the other representatives that I spoke with afterwards, feel that our visit brought a breath of fresh air to the Peace Corps.

"When we asked her (Mrs. Ruppe) about 8(C), she expressed ignorance and when prompted by an aide, she said plans had been started some eleven months into the Reagan administration."

Evans and Novak
The Washington Post
January 1, 1982

Specifically, you stated in response to my quotation from the Evans and Novak column about your ongoing violation of the law that requires you to train all peace corps volunteers in the nature, danger, and "menace" of communism, that the newspaper interviewer confused you by referring to this section of the law as 8(C). The information in the column itself belies this statement. It states that when you continued to feign ignorance to your interviewer, one of your staff interceded to say that you were looking into it.

Moreover, the same column confirms that prior to this, Tom Pauken, Director of Action, had repeatedly requested that you comply with this provision of law.

It seems as of our meeting we have evidence of three different explanations of your policy in this matter. But what was even more disturbing was your statement that obeying this provision of law "could set off a firestorm." You repeatedly evidenced doubts that this law could or should be obeyed by you. Since you seem to be of more than two minds on this subject, perhaps we should conclude that until further notice, neither you, nor the Peace Corps will obey this law.

Moreover, the best effort you had made up to date was a tepid video tape which suggests that communism is an alternative to freedom and Western Civilization. The narrator states in your tape that after all, if Lenin were alive today he would just be another GS. 17. While this is a very telling statement about the state of mind of the Peace Corps bureaucrats, it hardly lives up to the mandate of the law to educate Peace Corps volunteers as to the threat of communism.

Following up on your "firestorm" analysis, I asked you who in Reagan's constituency would set off a firestorm because of a frank, factual, straightforward discussion of communism. You declined to identify any Reagan arsonists who would be offended. However, you did say that we had to be understanding of the kind of people who would care to serve under the adverse conditions of the Peace Corps.

This seems to represent an apology for what everyone at the meeting became convinced of. That is that the Peace Corps is led by people who either sympathize with the Carterites already in the Peace Corps, or do not understand with whom they are dealing. If a frank discussion of communism would offend any federal employee, then their boss ought to have little hesitancy in bidding them farewell to federal employ.

If the Peace Corps is run from top to bottom with anti-Reagan, pro-Carter people, as your "firestorm" statement indicates, this would demand the wholesale re-organization of the Peace Corps to return it to the mainstream of America. If a straightforward, factual presentation of the state of communism offends you or any of your employees, then the Reagan administration should look elsewhere for the management of the Peace Corps.

Pursuant to this, I asked your Associate Director, Nadine Plaster, if Peace Corps Volunteers were ever instructed in the history of the United States, its cultures, its institutions, its native religions, its essential qualities. Receiving a mumbled "yes" from her, I asked whether Peace Corps volunteers were ever supposed to relate anything about America of a positive nature, to people they lived among. I was told "no", that was not the function of the Peace Corps.

Yet, we are to believe your statement that the Peace Corps volunteers are ambassadors to the third world from America and are winning us friends abroad. What kind of friendship is based on a self-imposed black out of news about reality?

At the same time that nothing substantive about the U.S. is allowed to pass the lips of Peace Corps volunteers, how is that information which is critical of the U.S. handed out by the Peace Corps as its own information such as "Volunteers and Neo-colonialism - An Inquiry into the Role of Volunteers in the Third World " by Glynn Roberts? It would seem in the twisted values of the Peace Corps bureaucracy that what America stands for is bad, and what appears to be chicly opposed to America is good. Moreover, in this publication, Peace Corps volunteers are advised to mobilize native populations for political purposes. That would seem to be another illegal activity which you are acquiescing in.

Could you please explain how political activism against the established host governments is what the taxpayer's money is supposed to be spent for, while accurate information about the U.S. is somehow verboten. Your attitude on this reminds one of the Great Soviet Encyclopedia, where historical events are made to disappear when they no longer serve the political purposes of those in power. Goebbels, the propagandist of the Third Reich was at least loyal to his own patron.

Lastly, I asked how Plaster determined if someone would really represent the U.S. government or not. She assured us that interviewers took care of that. I then asked, "Well how do you know if someone is a communist or would like to overthrow our government?" Plaster stated that the questionnaire asked that information and in addition you screened people carefully.

In point of fact, the questionnaire contains no such question, or even alludes to it.

I asked how many people had been rejected for objectional politics. I was told there were some. What are their names, dates of dismissal, and stated grounds of dismissal?

In point of fact, the vast majority of the interviewers are holdovers from the Carter Administration. Your application itself is a holdover from the Carter Administration. You would seem to leave very little credibility in Republican circles anywhere that you had done much of anything to change the leftward slide of this agency. Indeed, your statement to Evans and Novak that the only thing you could think of

doing to improve the Peace Corps was to increase the "minority" volunteers, reveals that you perceive nothing objectionable in continuing your present staffing and policies.

I will appreciate seeing your documented response to these questions.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "John Charles Houston". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name and title.

John Charles Houston
Executive Director

cc: Morton Blackwell

Peace Corps

Washington, D.C. 20525

August 4, 1982

MEMORANDUM

To : David Scotton
Special Assistant to the Director

From : Luis R. del Rio
Director
Inter-American Operations

Subject: Proposed Peace Corps CBI Project Costs

The attached table provides an estimate of CBI project costs at maximum implementation in 1983.

The projects listed for each country are based upon either a verbal or written expressed interest or priority. There are other potential projects which may be even more feasible.

The number of PCVs includes agriculturally skilled PCVs and PCVs with business backgrounds. A few are on-site and have a year or more of service to complete.

The cost of training is calculated on the basis of centralized skill training for 8 weeks for PCVs going to English speaking countries and 12 weeks combined language and skill training for PCVs going to Spanish or French speaking countries.

The cost of PCV support is calculated by multiplying the variable living allowance at each site plus leave allowance times the number of PCVs at the site plus an \$850.00 average air transport cost for those PCVs not presently in-country.

The cost of the commercial expert support to PCVs is calculated on \$300.00 per day and includes consultant fee, per diem and allowable incidental expenses. An additional 2000 - 3000 is added as applicable for air travel and typing costs.

The cost of supplies and equipment for PCV conducted field trials and processing experiments in connection with determining agribusiness feasibility will vary depending on the task. Funds are included for this purpose to insure that progress does not get bogged down because of lack of access to materials for this basic purpose. The agribusiness development concept is new (as the CBI is new) to most host countries and we cannot realistically expect them to have funds available for these activities until we demonstrate what can be done.