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Dr. Pino presented the following description of his report to the Executive Committee of the International Agricultural Development Service at its meeting on March 24:

(1) Foundation officers think that, in an effort to enable IADS to secure a broader base of support for its activities, it would be to its advantage to take steps to establish its independence from the Foundation at an early date, and that, among other things, a change in the location of IADS headquarters should be undertaken as soon as is practicable.

(2) The Foundation would expect that IADS would retain its present character in providing both direct and indirect kinds of services which are complementary and vital for agricultural development. Future Foundation support to IADS would be conditional upon the retention of the indirect service functions, and, as soon as is practicable, Foundation support would shift from core support for direct activities to special projects or indirect support.

(3) The President of the Foundation is prepared to recommend to the Trustees a one-time grant to IADS to defray the costs of moving its headquarters.

(4) The Foundation is interested in helping IADS to establish its long-term financial viability as an organization which will continue contracting as well as indirect services. Future support for the core budget over the period necessary for IADS to achieve its financial independence will be contingent on an independent evaluation of IADS by the Foundation.