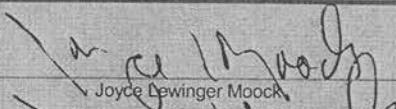
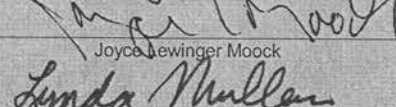
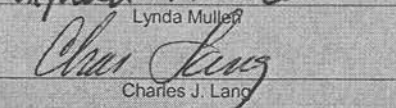



GRANT MEMO – PROGRAM UNIT HEAD REVIEW (\$100,000 and under)	APPROVALS
<p>Grant #: 2000 RN 015</p> <p>Grantee: Association of African Universities Accra-North, Ghana</p> <p>Amount: \$25,570</p> <p>Grant term: May 1 2000-Jan 31 2001 (9 months)</p> <p>Program Unit: Regional Activities</p> <p>Budget Line: Africa Regional Office Human Capacity Building Human Capacity Building (NY - Based)</p> <p>Funding Approach: Within strategy</p> <p>Geo. focus: sub-Saharan Africa</p> <p>Purpose: toward the cost of conducting a mapping of current variants in the provisions of university education in Africa</p>	<p>Initiating Officer:  Joyce Lewinger Mook</p> <p>Program Unit Head:  Joyce Lewinger Mook</p> <p>Secretary:  Lynda Muller</p> <p>Comptroller:  Charles J. Lang</p>

Program Funding Strategy Objective: To systematically develop institutional and professional capacity to shape sustainable and equitable development.

Hypothesized Social Change Process: It is predicted that the mapping of current variants of university education provisions in Africa will contribute to the knowledge base necessary to determine strategies that will improve the quality of programs in selected universities and will allow such universities to serve as role models of successful transformation. It is expected that an understanding of the nature and structure of academic programs in selected African universities will help to guide universities towards development programs that will help reshape social policy and public sector reform in their respective.

Grantee Background: The Association of African Universities (AAU) is an international non-governmental organization set up by the universities in Africa to promote cooperation among themselves and between them and the international academic community. The organization was formed in November 1967 in Rabat, Morocco, at a meeting attended by representatives of 34 universities who adopted the constitution of the Association. This followed earlier consultations among executive heads of African universities at a UNESCO conference on higher education in Africa in Antananarivo, Madagascar, in 1962 and at a conference of heads of African universities in 1963 in Khartoum, Sudan. The AAU is the apex organization and principal forum for consultation, exchange of information and cooperation among the universities in Africa.

Grant Activities: The principal objective of the study is to map out the current variants of university education provision in English-speaking Commonwealth African countries, including public and private universities. The study will document the main characteristics of each category of university and provide examples of institutions representing the various categories. The mapping will identify the sources of funding/support of the universities and their relationship with funders as well as examine how universities respond to local and national needs through course offerings, research and community services. The study will begin with a literature review, and further data will be gathered through the use of interviews, site visits to selected universities and questionnaires. A comprehensive report based on the findings will then be prepared. Additional support has been provided by Carnegie Corporation, the Ford Foundation and the MacArthur Foundation.

Advancement of Funding Strategy Objective: This analysis of higher education variants and the provision of assistance towards reform and development can help underscore the universities' profound role in ensuring enlightened and knowledge-based development and bring about positive changes in African higher education.

Potential Risks: There are no potential risks.

Anticipated Future Funding: There is no anticipated future funding to this project.