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Dar Guy,

Thank you very much for your letter of November 1 enclosing a copy of Bob Renfro's letter regarding Debabrata Mukherjee and H.S. Gill. I gather from what Bob reports that Mukherjee is carrying on at Klimpong in the manner that might be expected from his performance as a graduate student at the University of Minnesota. I think I indicated in my letter to you that we had a very high regard for him there. When we get back to the task of recruiting staff for the Institute, I believe we should give very serious consideration to him for one of our plant breeding positions.

It is a bit frustrating to have had our development plans delayed by political uncertainties in Nigeria. However, it has not all been lost. We were pushing the architectural plans pretty hard and the delays caused by the situation have given us some breathing time and opportunity to study the plans much more carefully than we could have on the more accelerated schedule. We still have hopes of moving forward in Nigeria but at this time are not pushing nearly as rapidly as we would be had the situation here remained stable.

Please express my appreciation to Bob Renfro for the information he has given us.

Sincerely yours,

Bill

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Director Designate.