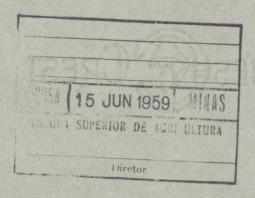
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Dear Dr. Menicucci:

After leaving Belo Horizonte and stopping in Rio I found, on further investigation, that the matter of an import licence for the equipment awarded to the agricultural school in Viçosa is a relatively simple one.

All you need to do is present the Proforma invoices to officials at the Banco do Brasil. This can be done at the bank's branches as well as at its central office. Each office, I am told, has instructions that laboratory equipment and supplies which the Foundation has granted universities and other educational institutions in Brazil may enter the country duty free, and the obtaining of an import license is a matter of routine.

I would suggest that you discuss such problems as may arise in the importation of the equipment for the school at Vigosa with Dr. Baeta Vianna, biochemist at the University of Minas Gerais, with whom I am sure you are well acquainted. He has had a great deal of experience in the importation of laboratory equipment and supplies for his program.

Very sincerely yours,

John J. McKelvey, Jr. Assistant Director

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