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January 25, 1960

Dear Dr. Schlottfeldt:

In Dr. Roberts' absence, I wish to acknowledge your letter of December 21, which for some unaccountable reason was delayed in reaching us until January 18. In reviewing the file material, we have located the letters from Dr. Machado concerning the permanent employment of Messrs. Viana and Vasconcellos.

I am afraid nothing further can be done about these appointments until Dr. Roberts returns to New York about the end of February. We have a large number of applications for this type of training, and it will be necessary for us to see how these are to be fitted into our budget, before proceeding with further appointments.

While the individuals concerned have not been from Minas Gerais, I might add that some doubt has been cast on the advisability of these assignments by the rather mediocre performance of one or two recent appointees. In other words, it is a little difficult to be sure that a young man just graduated from college can determine the true objectives of such an assignment and have the perseverance to turn in a good account of himself when going to a foreign country for the first time.

As soon as Dr. Roberts returns to the office, we will have a further discussion of these two cases and will let you know the result. Meanwhile, it might be helpful if you would fill out and forward to us the enclosed application forms. We would also appreciate having the Assurance of Position forms signed by the appropriate official of A.G.A.R.

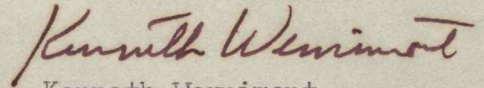
By copy of this letter to the Rio office, we are asking that medical report forms and the corresponding instructions be sent to you for the use of Messrs. Viana and Vasconcellos. We suggest, however, that they do not have the medical examinations completed until you hear further from us here in New York.

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Dr. Carlos Schlottfeldt, Director
Escola Superior de Agricultura da Universidade

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Sincerely yours,



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