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Viçosa, 6 de setembro de 1956

Pela Diretoria da ESA

Dr. John J. McKelvey, Jr.
The Rockefeller Foundation
49 West 49th Street
NEW YORK 20, N.Y.
U.S.A.

Dear Dr. McKelvey:

Enclosed you will find a page of the Official paper of Minas Gerais which contains the Law no. 1474 relative to the Brazilian side of The Rockefeller Foundation grant.

As you will notice, this is the first part only. The second one is already included in the budget for 1957 and for 1958 there is a government decision to do the same. These three installments will make for a total of \$... 10.000.000,00 for the three years.

At this opportunity I am also sending the rules we are proposing for the control of the salary "booster" that The Foundation is also offering. My assumption is that you would divide the U.S.\$ 50.000,00 for this purpose into three equal installments for the three years and that you would make a deposit in cruzeiros in a local bank of the amount corresponding to each year in the proper occasions. As for the method of making this transfer and the price for the dollar in cruzeiros it seems to me to be a matter for the Foundation to decide although I have made an estimate that at a rate of 70 cruzeiros to the dollar it would be possible to offer an average of \$ 3,600.00 cruzeiros a month to those with research projects. If the dollar price is taken at 74 cruzeiros, as it is now, certainly it would be a better help to them.

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Yesterday we received a visit of two representatives of Karl Kolb and he himself, a german company concerned with scientific and laboratory supplies. It was their argument that they could offer prices for our list sometimes with a reduction up to 30 percent on the American prices. Since I had already sent to you our list I did not want to commit myself on making a revision of such list. The germans promised to send their written references and prices in a month. Now, I would appreciate having your opinion on this matter since it does not seem proper to me to interfere with what was already done or with any possible policy followed by your Foundation. Will you please let me know something about this subject also?

May I inform you that in a formal meeting of our "Congregação" it was decided to send a declaration of appreciation to The Rockefeller Foundation for this grant. This will be done formally as soon as we have a final word from you.

Sincerely yours,

Escola Superior de Agricultura da
Universidade Rural do Est. de M. Gerais



Diretor

It will be mailed, separately, the Regulation for Application of the Research Funds granted by the Rockefeller to the Escola Superior de Agricultura.

Nota: Foi enviado junto a esta o Artigo da Aprovação dos
R\$ 10.000.000,00, da Rockefeller Foundation, publica-
do no Minas Gerais de 1º de Setembro de 1956.