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REPORT OF PROJECT MANAGER
TO DIRECTORATE MEETING
OF 3 MARCH 1984

CONSTRUCTION PROGRESS

Unit 1: Renovation of the second dormitory block continues, with painting and finishing work (new doors, locks, gauzewire, etc) in progress. The carpenters have also moved into the dining hall, to upgrade that building.

Unit 3: All finishing and painting work in the dining hall has been completed. Plumbing installations in the kitchen are to be finalised and the electrical connection made.

Unit 4: Block 1 is ready for plaster, pending the arrival of certain electrical material (square boxes) no longer available locally. Block 2 has been plastered and is being prepared for screed. Block 3 has been plastered and screeded and is now ready for the installation of doors and fixtures. Ceiling installation in the dining hall has been completed. One staff house is being completed and will be handed over for occupation on March 3. The other three houses are also awaiting square boxes before they can be plastered.

Unit 5: The slabs on Blocks 1 and 2 have been cast, and building of walls can commence as soon as dampcourse (another item which seems to have gone off the local market) is received. Walls in Block 3 are completed and lintel preparation can commence as soon as the frames have been made. Beam shuttering on the dining hall is completed. Walls on the four staff houses have been erected.

Unit 6: The area has been cleared and setting out is in progress.

School Complex: Roughcasting has been completed in the laboratories, and installation of gas and water lines will continue as soon as the workbenches are completed. The Teachers' Block is suffering from the above-mentioned lack of square boxes. Building of division walls is in progress on Blocks 7 and 8.

Library: The slab is being cast and preparations for erection of columns is under way.

Children's Centre: Most finishing work on the 8 creche and nursery buildings has been completed as has most of the locally-made furniture. Still awaited are some import items (special tables and cots) and the completion of a few locally-made items. One building is still to receive a final coat of paint. Special PVC tiles have been laid in all but one building. Work on the Central Facilities building is being emphasised, and progress is good. Plaster has been finalised, and by the time of the Directorate meeting screeding and tile-work will also be near completion. The painters and finishing carpenters will then move in. All of the Children's Residences have been roofed.

Tabora: Lintel preparation is in progress on 3 duplex buildings. Foundation work is in progress on the other three. Roof construction on the Community Hall has been completed, and plastering awaits the square boxes.

Double-Up: A total of 3 houses (14, 19, 26) have now been completed and handed over. Three others are completely plastered and screeded. Ceiling work is in progress on those, and the painters and finishers will soon move in. Plastering on the remainder awaits the square boxes.

Medical Centre: The first of the 3 Dutch containers in the Dar harbour has now arrived in Mazimbu. Installation of that material is now being planned. Tile work continues.

Primary School: Placing of hardcore is in progress, but is being delayed due to the irregular arrival of supplies of mawe.

INFRASTRUCTURE

Most of Mazimbu has now been connected to the permanent water and sewerage lines and the system is in operation. Work on the roads, bridge and storm drainage continues. Negotiations are in progress with Norplan/NORAD and Maji to begin work on a water line from Morogoro to Mazimbu. Discussions are also being held regarding the funding by the Norwegian Foreign Ministry of the construction of a water reservoir and sports stadium.

FOR INFORMATION/DISCUSSION

1. Material Shortages

As is evident earlier in this report, our problems of obtaining construction material are not yet over. Those items which have previously been identified as being difficult to procure are now being imported, but we are sometimes caught unawares, when an item which used to be readily available suddenly becomes hard to get. This is the case with the square boxes and roofing felt. Emergency orders have been placed, but we are in a difficult situation until they arrive.

2. Dakawa

- a) An arrangement has been made with NOREMCO that they will upgrade the permanent access road so that it can be used all year round.
- b) Spencer Hodgson is currently in Europe, investigating various options available to us regarding prefabricated buildings. A full report will be presented on his return.

3. Stores Complex

The design of the new Stores Complex is being finalised. Provision has been made for the following functions:

- a) Logistics: receiving, sorting, storage, distribution
- b) Transit Store
- c) Supplies: receiving, storage, food processing, butchery, distribution
- d) Miscellaneous: stationery, medical materiel, hardware/spares.

Drawings will be available at the Directorate meeting for perusal.

4. Site Office

Due to the imminent demolition of Havana, necessitated by the construction of the School Square, it is necessary for the Site Office and my office to find new premises. We have opted for the "D" house in Unit 5, as being the most suitable of the planned buildings, to fulfill both space and layout requirements. Preparations for this move are in progress.