

Establishment of "Aliança Mirim" Inter-Agency
Committee Review and Approval of Small Development
Projects

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I. Establishment of Committee

There is hereby established an interagency "Aliança Mirim" Committee responsible for reviewing and approving requests for assistance to small, self-help projects pursuant to the criteria described herein.

II. Composition of Committee

The "Aliança Mirim" Committee consists of the following members:

Chairman, Mr. Harlan Harrison, Deputy Assistant Director for
Technical Cooperation, USAID

Mr. Frank C. Carlucci, Executive Officer, Embassy

Mr. David Bristow, Special Assistant for Information, USIS

Mr. Lauryn Drengler, Controller's Office, USAID

Mr. Richard Ginnold, Labor Attaché's Office

Mr. Gussie Daniels, Executive Secretary, USAID

III. Terms of Reference

1. The Committee will meet on call by the Chairman and at such intervals as the volume of business necessitates.

2. The Executive Secretary of the Committee will assist the Chairman in preparing agendas, summary minutes and periodic reports covering its activities.

3. The Chairman of the Committee, or in his absence such committee member as he may designate, is authorized to approve requests for assistance within the criteria herein described and to authorize the commitment and expenditure of such funds as may be from time to time allotted to the Committee for these purposes.

IV. Criteria for Project Approval

1. In considering requests for assistance, the Committee will be guided by the following criteria:
 - a. The project or activity should provide some clear economic or social benefit to the ultimate recipient.
 - b. The project or activity should be technically and financially sound and be adequately planned.
 - c. The project or activity should be within the management capability of the recipient.
 - d. The project or activity should involve a reasonable degree of self-help, including a matching financial contribution (or contribution in kind) by the recipient wherever practicable.
 - e. If continuing in nature, the project or activity should be within the future financial capability of the recipient to support.
2. Preference will be given to small, impact projects at the community level with emphasis on education, health, and general community improvement in either rural or slum urban areas. Ideally, each project should have a pilot or demonstration potential and offer visible evidence of the Alliance for Progress.
3. Although no fixed financial limitations are prescribed, it is anticipated that the contribution to any one project will not exceed NCr\$5,000,00 (or the dollar equivalent thereof in the case of valid foreign exchange costs).

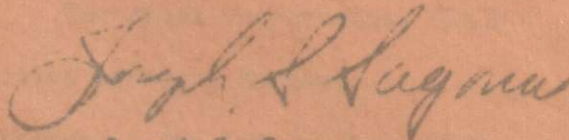
V. Operating Procedures

1. Although requests for assistance for projects of this kind may be submitted by any individual or organization, it is anticipated that U.S. officials in direct contact with Brazilian communities and organizations will be the most likely source of project identification and assistance requests.
2. Each such request should be addressed to the Chairman, Aliança Mirim, Office of Technical Cooperation, USAID/Brasil, and should include at least the following information:
 - a. Name, address, and nature of the recipient organization or entity.
 - b. Brief description of the project or activity for which the assistance is required.

- c. Details of the assistance needed, including estimated costs, timing, and relationship to the project or activity involved.
- d. Description of the self-help measures taken or to be taken by the proposed recipient.
- e. A brief justification supporting the assistance being requested; e.g., significant psychological impact, wide project visibility, increased public awareness and support for U.S. assistance efforts, etc.
- f. Such other supporting data and details as will facilitate the committee's consideration of the project.

VI. General

Questions relating to the objectives and operations of the "Aliança Mirim" Committee should be directed to Mr. Harlan Harrison, Deputy Director for Technical Cooperation, Rm 2437, ETO Building, extension 416.



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