

*INCO - Brazil Nuts*

Belém, Pará, Brazil

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Mr. Marshall Whitlock  
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Dear Marshall:

The Consulate has been requested by the Embassy in Rio de Janeiro to furnish some information on Brazil nuts. Data from the State of Amazonas is quite difficult to obtain here in Belém, and it would be greatly appreciated if you could get the following information for us:

1. Final production estimates for the Manaus market in 1967.
2. 1967 exports through the port of Manaus: shelled, unshelled dehydrated and unshelled green, giving, if possible the destination of these nuts.
3. Stocks in Manaus at the end of 1967.
4. Current Manaus FOB export prices.
5. The price paid to pickers per hectoliter of unshelled green nuts.
6. Forecast of 1968's production.

The best source of information on Brazil nuts in Manaus is probably the office of I. B. Sabbá & Cia. Ltda, but the Booth line may be of some help regarding exports. Since we have to submit our report on January 23rd, we would be grateful to you if we could get your information prior to that date, and thanks.

Incidentally, I had a very pleasant trip back to Belém. I certainly appreciate all you did for me while I was in Manaus.

Yours truly,

Richard H. Williams  
American Vice Consul