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SUBJ: PROPOSED PL 480 AGREEMENT

PASS AGRICULTURE

- 1. USUALLY RELIABLE LOCAL SOURCE INFORMED EMB THAT GOOR HAS DISCUSSED WITH ARGENTINE GOVT POSSIBLITY OF OBTAINING WHEAT ON CREDIT. TERMS NOT FULLY AVAILABLE. BUT FINANCING WOULD BE FOR 5 YEARS.
- 2. AGATT CONTACTED LLUBERES (CENTRAL BANK) ON THIS SUBJECT. LLUBERES CONFIRMED SYEAR CREDIT(10 PERCENT INITIAL PAYMENT) BUT WAS NOT SPECIFIC AS TO QUANTITY OF WHEAT NOR INTERST RATE.
- 3. LLUBERES STATED CANADIANS CONTINUE TO PRESS THEIR OFFER, AND SINCE RECENT PURCHASE OF US WHEAT HAVE REQUESTED DEFINITE WORD FROM GODR RE PL 480 PLANS. ALSO REFERRED IN PASSING TO GODR APPROACH TO AUTRALIANS.
- 4. GODR CONTINUES TO BE VERY INTERESTED IN PL 480. HOWEVER, ACCORDING TO LLUBERES UNLESS AGREEMENT CAN BE SIGNED BY DEC 1, DOMS WILL GO FORWARD WITH EITHER CANADIAN OR ARGENTINE OFFER. CRIMMINS

