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BACK TO OFFICE MISSION REPORT ON DATA COLLECTION
ON SURVEY ON AFRICAN BASIC AND AGRO-BASED INDUSTRIES
(5 October - 30 October 1994)

by

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The objective of the mission which was conducted from 5/10/94 to 30/10/94 was to collect data for ECA, IHSD to prepare survey report on Africa's Basic and Agro-Based Industries.

I was assigned for Ethiopia, Kenya and the Republic of South Africa. I hereby present the findings on my mission in each country.

1. Addis Ababa, Ethiopia (Oct 5 to Oct 16, 1994)

By the request of ECA, IHSD to the Ministry of Industry of Ethiopia, an arrangement was made to visit some industries and also to meet General Managers of some factories in and outside Addis Ababa.

<u>Factory visited</u>	<u>Name of G/Manager</u>	<u>Tel. N°</u>
1. Akaki Pump Factory	Ato Solomon	251-1-340100
2. Alkyd Resin Factory	Ato Taddesse Bishaw	251-1-182623
3. Mughher Cement Factory	Ato Assefa	251-1-164639
4. Akaki Spare Parts and Hand Tools Factory	Ato Gebrekiros	251-1-340412
5. Awash Winery	W/ro Amelework	251-1-204790
6. Engineering Design and Tools Centre	Ato Gashaw	251-1-611899

Following my briefings on the objectives of the survey and the need for the data collection, the General Managers in each organization made return briefings on their respective factories and co-operated by filling and returning the questionnaires supplied. Some of them were willing to give brief profile on their enterprises.

2. Nairobi, Kenya (From Oct 16 - Oct 20 & Oct 27 - Oct 30, 1994)

On October 17, 1994 at 8.30 a.m., I reported at the office of the Industry and Commerce, Department of the Ministry of Industry & Commerce of Kenya at Co-operative Building 7th floor. I was privileged to meet the Director of Industries and Commerce, Mr. Masila, and was introduced by him to the following officials of the Ministry of Industry & Commerce:

- Mr. Daniel Omondi Ogalla , Mechanical Engineer
- Mr. Julius Njagi, Mechanical Engineer
- Mr. Fred Simiyu, Chemical Engineer
- Mrs Stella Alambo, Registrar of Industries.

Although several facsimiles were sent from ECA to UNDP, Nairobi and the Ministry of Industry and Commerce of Kenya, and acknowledgement and mission clearance was made to ECA, IHSD, the Ministry officials were not aware of my arrival and the purpose of the data collection.

To facilitate future missions more conveniently, the Ministry officials suggested that FAX N° 254-2-217916 be used for prompt communication to enable them arrange programmes and appointments with their industries.

In our meeting, I explained the purpose of my mission and requested them to arrange for me short meetings with the G/managers of some factories and avail me statistical data on industries of Kenya.

As per my request, arrangements were made to visit the following factories in Nairobi.

<u>Factory visited</u>	<u>Name of G/manager</u>	<u>Tel N°</u>
Steel Structure Limited	Mr. B.S. Shetty	254-2-792554
Sava Industries	Mr. T.B. Kotecha	254-2-558670
Chemical Systems (EA) LTD	Mr. Jinder Singh	254-2-553714
Cosmo Plastics LTD	Mr. Arvind V. Shah	254-2-543066
EMCO Steel Works (Kenya) LTD	Mr. A.F. Sebastian	254-2-791281

Although I visited quite a number of plant, not all were willing to reveal their factories statistical data. Nevertheless I have succeeded in getting some information for our purpose.

3. Pretoria, RSA (October 20 to October 26 1994)

I arrived Johannesburg on the same day and was received by Mrs. Claassen of the Foreign Ministry of the Republic of South Africa, and was driven to Pretoria.

From 21st of October to 26 October 1994, I have visited the following Organizations in Pretoria and Johannesburg.

<u>Organization</u>	<u>Person contacted</u>	<u>Tel No.</u>
Dept. of Trade & Industry	Mr. W.J. Saayman	012-3109411
Dept of Agriculture	Mr. R.M. Blonden	012-3196518
Dept of Minerals and energy affairs	Mr. T. Burger	012-3179000

Mineral Bureau

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During my visit to all organizations mentioned above, I explained to the officials concerned that the data to be collected from them would serve as an integral part for the report on the Survey on Africa's Basic and Agro-Based Industries.

The officials on their part stated that they have noted the importance of the survey and assured me to render the required assistance. Accordingly, in the course of our discussions during repeated meetings, they made available to me some publications and statistical data from their affiliated companies.

4. Findings

In two of the three countries I visited except South Africa almost all enterprises and industries have complaints on shortage of raw materials, spare parts, marketing and inadequate institutional and physical infrastructure.

CONCLUSIONS

The main survey report on the three countries mentioned above shall be submitted very soon.