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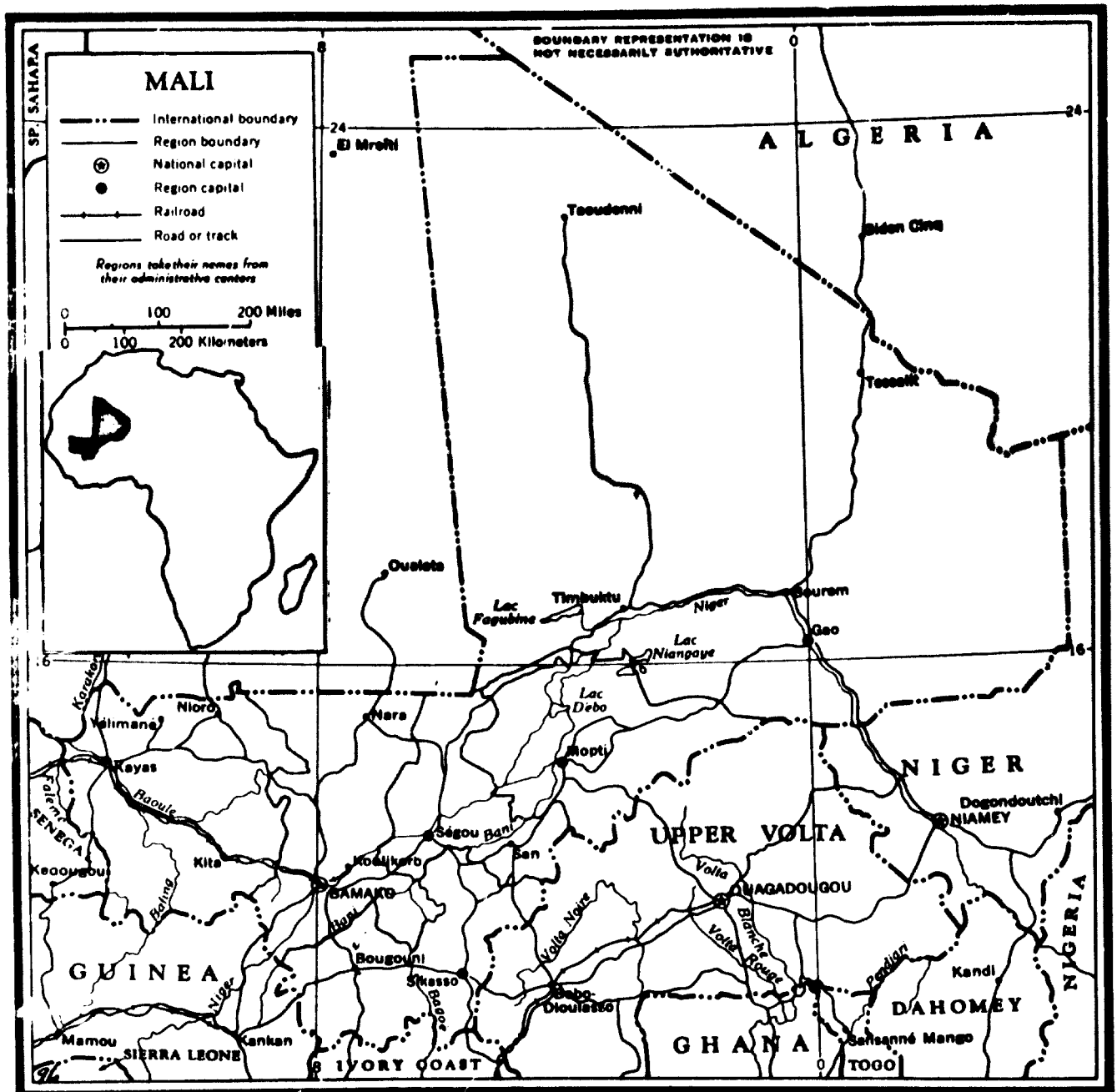
MALI

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ECONOMIC BACKGROUND HIGHLIGHTS

A. THE COUNTRY AND ITS PEOPLE

1) ECONOMIC GEOGRAPHY:

- a) AREA: 479,000 square miles.
- b) GEOGRAPHY AND CLIMATE: Mali is bounded by Algeria to the north, Mauritania and Senegal to the west, Guinea and Ivory Coast to the south and Upper Volta and Niger to the east. The climate is hot and dry with average temperatures ranging from 24°-32°C.
- c) POPULATION: 4.9 million; mid 1969 with annual growth of 1.9%.
- d) LANGUAGES: French is the official language.
- e) MAIN CENTRES: The main towns are:

Bamako (Capital) 150,000	Gao 12,000
Kayes 32,000	Timbuctu 10,000
Ségou 32,000	
Sikasso 17,000	
Monti 15,000	
- f) TRANSPORT FACILITIES: - The one railway (400 miles) links Koulikoro and Bamako.
 - Roads are 7,507 miles.
 - Main airport at Bamako.
 - Mali is landlocked and depends on the seaports of Dakar in Senegal, and Abidjan in the Ivory Coast.

2) POLITICAL STATUS AND GOVERNMENT STRUCTURE
IN THE ECONOMIC FIELD:

September 1960: the proclamation of the Republic of Mali.
Mali is represented in the EEC, UNO and UNESCO.
The ministries in the economic field are:
Ministry of Finance and Trade
Ministry of Industry and Planning
Ministry of Production.

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- Sources: - A.I.D. Economic Data Book - Africa 1970
- The EUROPA Year Book 1969
- Africa 1969/70 The editorial staff of "Jeune Afrique"
- I.B.R.D. The Economy of Mali 1966.

B. BASIC ECONOMIC DATA

1) ECONOMIC INDICATORS:

a) NATIONAL CURRENCY: The national currency is the Mali franc.
The rate of exchange is 1000 Mali francs = US\$ 1.81

b) GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT: 75.3 billion Mali francs in 1964.

Per Capita: US\$ 66 in 1964
Primary Sector: 57%
Secondary Sector: 7%
Transport, Trade, Services: 36%
100%
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Rate of growth, 1959-1964:
2.5%

c) PER CAPITA INCOME: "in 1964" US\$ 64

d) BALANCE OF PAYMENTS: 1964 US\$ Million

Total Exports	36.8	
Total Imports	- 63.2	
Trade Balance	- 26.4	
Net invisibles	- 4.4	
Balance of Current Account		- 30.8

- 2) NATURAL RESOURCES: - Cropland is very limited.
- Livestock is the main resource of Mali, and this provides an important potential for the economy.
 - Fish are important to the people living along the Niger river.
 - Salt currently mined at Taoudemi; small amount of gold also extracted. Deposits of bauxite, uranium, ironore, copper, manganese and phosphate exist but are not worked.
- 3) LABOUR FORCE: About 90% of the population are engaged in agriculture.

4) ORIGIN OF GDP: (Billion Mali Francs)

	<u>1959</u>
Traditional sector	40.2
Public enterprises	2.6
Private enterprises - foreign	9.3
Private enterprises - African	7.8
Households	0.7
Administrations	5.9
TOTAL	<u>66.5</u>

5) MAIN INDUSTRIES:

The main industries are:

Food: Timed tomatoes and mangoes - Groundnut oil mill -
- Ricemill - Sugar Refinery.

Textiles: Cotton ginning and treating plants, a textile
combine (9 million meters per annum), Weaving workshops.

Buildings: Brick works - marble works - pottery - Cement
works.

Metal and mechanical: a factory for spare parts and
bicycle accessories.

Various: Plastic shoe factory - radio assembly factory -
match factory.

C. DEVELOPMENT PLAN

1) INVESTMENTS: Expenditure under first five year Development Plan (in billion Mali Francs):

	<u>Actual Amount</u>		<u>Estimates Revised</u>	
	<u>1961</u>	<u>1962</u>	<u>1963/64</u>	<u>1964/65</u>
State enterprises:				
Agriculture	1.5	1.4	2.0	0.8
Industries	0.2	0.4	2.4	1.0
Electricity	0.1	-	0.5	0.3
Commerce	-	0.1	0.4	0.1
Transport	2.6	0.4	0.5	1.0
Telecommunications	0.4	-	0.2	-
Housing	0.3	-	0.5	0.2
Services	-	0.2	0.5	0.3
Total	5.1	2.5	7.0	3.7
Other:				
Other agriculture	0.8	1.6	2.3	1.5
Roads	0.9	1.4	1.7	3.3
River works	0.1	-	0.7	0.7
Other infrastructure	0.3	0.3	0.5	0.5
Mining survey	0.4	1.2	1.5	1.6
Public administration	0.6	0.8	1.2	0.3
Social services	-	-	-	-
Education	0.1	0.3	0.8	0.8
Health	0.2	0.1	0.2	-
Grand Total	8.5	8.2	15.9	12.4

Gross domestic product at market prices, by industry of origin (billion Mali Francs):

	<u>1962</u>	<u>1963</u>	<u>1964</u>	
Agriculture, forestry and fishing	38.8	39.7	40.6	54
Manufacturing	4.6	4.7	4.7	6
Construction	3.3	3.4	3.5	5
Electricity production	0.4	0.5	0.5	1
Commerce	12.4	11.9	11.1	15
Transportation	4.7	4.6	4.0	5
Administration	6.7	7.6	8.5	12
Other services	1.2	1.3	1.3	2
Gross Domestic Product	72.9	74.8	75.3	100

2) SOURCES OF FINANCING: Finance of Development Plan 1961-1965 (in billion Mali Francs):

	1961	Actual		Preliminary Estimates	
		1962	1963/64	1964/65	1965/66
External resources					
Redom	0.5	1.1	1.2	(1.0)	(2.0)
France	1.2	0.7	0.0	(0.5)	(1.1)
Western Germany	0.8	0.2	(0.2)	(0.6)	(0.2)
U.S. (A.T.D.)	-	0.1	(0.2)	(0.1)	(0.3)
Clearing A/C countries	1.1	1.3	(5.0)	(1.6)	(3.0)
Other	0.1	-	(-)	(-)	(-)
Total	4.3	4.0	7.6	7.1	6.6
of which Loans	3.3	1.8	5.1	4.6	3.0
Grants	1.0	2.2	2.5	2.5	3.6
Domestic resources					
Current budget	0.1	1.1	-	-	-
Reserves, Government	2.6	-	-	-	-
Fonds Routier	0.7	0.6	0.5	0.0	0.0
B.R.M. credits	0.7	1.7	0.8	0.0	-
National loan	-	0.2	0.3	-	-
State enterprises	-	0.1	1.3	1.3	0.5
Counterpart U.S.S.R.	-	-	-	-	-
Other	0.2	0.2	-	-	-
Total	4.3	4.2	2.9	3.1	1.1
GRAND TOTAL	8.6	8.2	10.5	10.2	8.0
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D. FOREIGN TRADE DATA

1) FOREIGN TRADE BALANCE (in billion Mali Francs)

	1959	1961	1962	1963	1964
<u>Exports</u>					
France	2.6	..	0.9	1.0	0.2
Rest of franc zone	4.6	..	4.4	4.3	4.4
Rest of common market	-	..	-	0.2	-
Ghana/Guinea	2.5	..	1.4	1.3	1.0
Rest of sterling area	-	..	0.1	0.1	0.1
Dollar area	-	..	-	-	0.2
Rest of OECD area	-	..	-	-	-
Clearing account countries	-	..	2.0	1.6	2.2
Rest of world	0.1	..	-	-	-
TOTAL	9.8	10.0	8.8	8.4	8.1
<u>Imports</u>					
France	7.1	5.8	4.3	2.8	2.9
Rest of franc zone	3.8	2.6	3.1	3.5	3.8
Rest of common market	-	1.1	0.9	0.8	0.6
Ghana/Guinea	0.5	1.3	1.3	1.4	-
Rest of sterling area	-	0.3	0.4	0.6	0.4
Dollar area	-	0.3	0.5	0.4	0.3
Rest of OECD area	-	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Clearing account countries	-	1.8	1.8	3.2	3.6
Rest of world	0.7	0.1	0.2	0.3	0.2
TOTAL	12.1	13.4	12.6	12.9	11.9
<u>Balance</u>					
France	-4.5	..	-3.4	-1.8	-2.7
Rest of franc zone	+0.8	..	+1.3	+0.8	+0.6
Rest of common market	-	..	-0.9	-0.6	-0.6
Ghana/Guinea	+2.0	..	+0.1	-0.1	+1.0
Rest of sterling area	-	..	-0.3	-0.5	-0.3
Dollar area	-	..	-0.5	-0.4	-0.1
Rest of OECD area	-	..	-0.1	-0.1	-0.1
Clearing account countries	-	..	+0.2	-1.6	-1.4
Rest of world	-0.6	..	-0.2	-0.3	-0.2
	-2.3	-3.4	-3.8	-4.5	-3.8

2) VALUE OF IMPORTS; MAIN PRODUCTS (in million Mali Francs)

	1959	1961	1962	1963	1964
Food, drink and tobacco	2,208	2,408	2,186	1,765	1,540
Cotton and textiles	1,658	2,728	1,802	1,704	1,756
Other consumer goods	2,157	1,579	1,505	1,307) 1,930
Raw materials and intermediate goods	717	1,111	1,251	1,474	
Transport equipment	-	1,700	800	778	1,049
Other capital goods	2,145	1,021	1,467	1,686	2,047
Fuel and lubricants	705	439	573	517	567
Total	9,680	11,886	9,585	9,452	8,880
Other not recorded	2,431	1,500	3,000	3,250	3,000
TOTAL IMPORTS	12,111	13,386	12,585	12,702	11,880

3) VALUE OF EXPORTS; MAIN PRODUCTS (in million Mali Francs)

	1961	1962	1963	1964
Groundnuts	(2,400)	1,830	1,848	1,915
Gold	15	-	-	-
Cattle	(2,800)	(2,800)	2,750	2,500
Sheep and goats	(600)	(700)	1,000) 1,153
Other live animals	80	180	1,000	
Fish	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,000
Rice	330	480	158	317
Millet	400	200	72	36
Cotton seed	-	-	66	63
Cotton fibre	650	640	761	1,115
Other exports	925	550	1,590	
Total	9,670	8,780	8,345	8,100
of which: Recorded	3,200	3,280	3,095	4,126
Estimated	6,470	5,500	5,250	3,974



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