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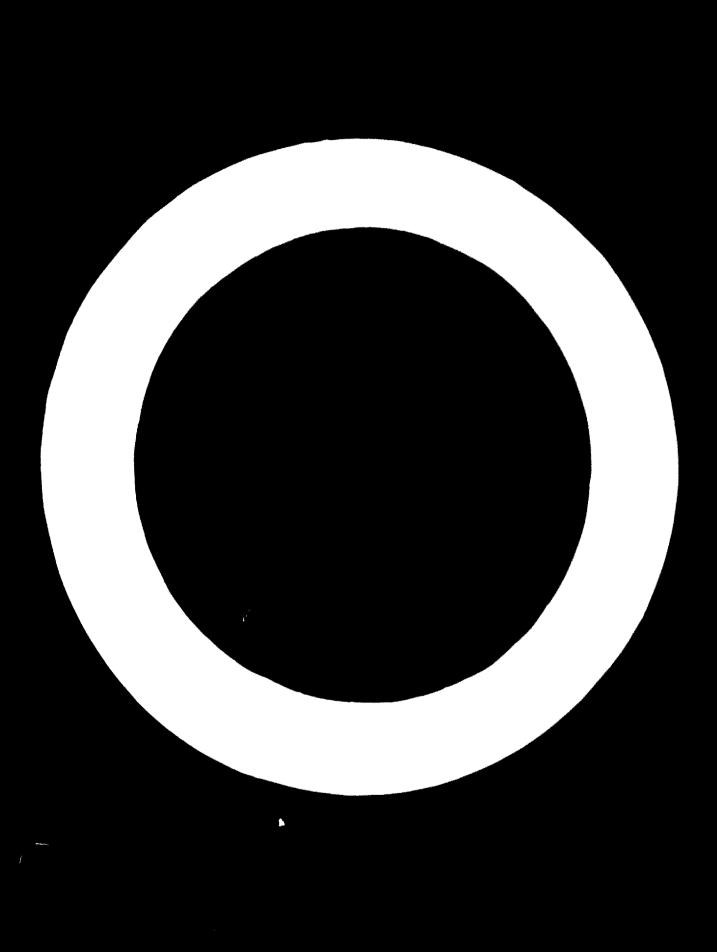
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FAO'S RELATIONS WITH INDUSTRY THROUGH THE FREEDOM FROM HUNGER CAMPAIGN

The FAO Contribution to this Symposium includes in addition to the one mentioned above six other papers entitled:

- The Fconomic Significance and Contribution of Industries 1: based on kenowable Matural Resources and the Policies and Institutions Required for their Development.
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- 7. It will certainly be of interest to participants in this Symposium to know some of the new initiatives FAO's Director-General has taken under the FFEC. One is an attempt to enlist the co-operation of private industry and business sectors to promote investment in food and food products industries in the developing countries.
- 8. To this end an ad hoc meeting was convened in Rome on 22-23 September 1965, at the invitation of FAO's Director-General, which meeting was attended by 22 leaders of important industrial firms and business groups from North America and Furope. At this meeting it was decided to study further and to identify the more promising and fruitful areas of co-operation, such as investment prospects, planning for raw material supplies, pre-investment surveys, joint support for applied research through field and pilot plant demonstrations and so on.
- 9. It was clearly understood by all concerned that while industrial initiatives from Europe and North America were bound to be based on the interest and support of private business, it would be left to the governments of each developing nation whether, and in what form, it wishes to take advantage of these possibilities, and what guarantees it was prepared to offer for the security of foreign investment and for the efficient working and maintenance of new industrial plants.
- 10. This paper, being of an informative character with reference to recent developments, does not intend to give an account of operational field projects. A selection of a few operational activities, however, is attached in the Appendix.

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# SELECTED FIFLD ACTION PROJECTS

# Pertiliser Trials and Demonstrations

1. It was found that experiments on farmers' fields often cave se alto different from those at research stations. Trials and demonstrations carried out in farmers' own fields under various environmental committees, therefore, show much better the effectiveness of fertilises application in raising their crop yields and incomes, under present prevailing conditions.

From the beginning of the Campaign the appeal of the Director - eremains the fight against hunger has been received with enthusiass by the World Pertilizer Industry. FAO established a Pertilizer Advisory takes in order to strengthen the collaboration with this sector of industry and thus an efficient program of work developed.

The table below lists the number of simple trials and description that have been carried out from the winter of 1961 to the summer of 1965.

Table listing number of simple fertiliser trials and demonstrations as carried out in the African Resign.

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West Africa	4,890	10.517	والميلة
Nigeria (south)	1,908	9,753	11.001
Gha na	2,075	4,604	0,759
Dahomey	•	96	
Торо	20	350	170
Senegal	695	1,390	*,00%
Cambia	200	<b>~00</b>	+00

The results were, briefly, that traditional farmers increased their crop yield by an average of over 50 per cent by using fertilizers, and the value of the crop response average 3.7 times the cost of fertilizers in West Africa and 2.1 times in Morocco.

## Filot Schemes

Demonstrating the value of fertilizers for increasing the farmers' production and income, is limited if they cannot obtain the required fertilizers in due time and at a convenient price. Therefore, the world Fertilizer Industry agreed to support pilot schemes, first in them and Western Nigeria, to develop, on the basis of practical experience under local conditions, fertilizer distribution, marketing and credit systems suited to the needs of farmers, especially traditional farmers, when these services either do not exist or are prorly developed. Subsciumently,

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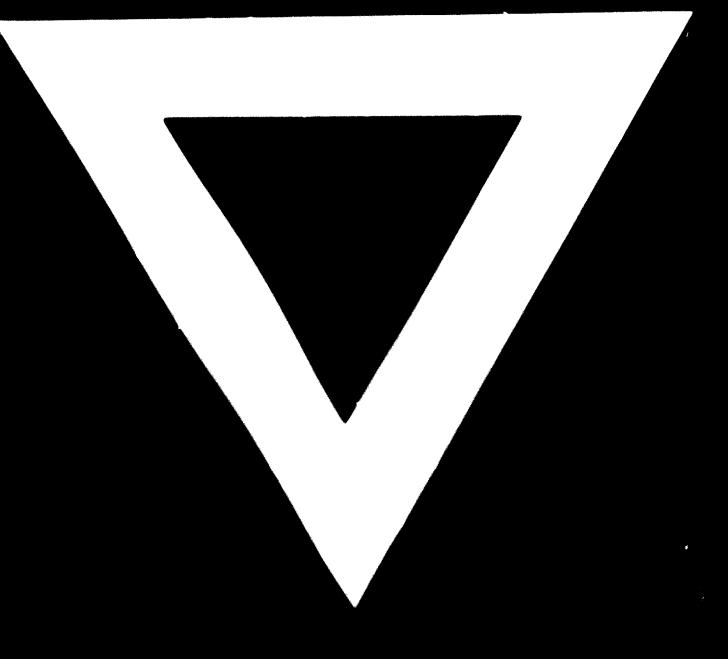
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