AGREEMENT FOR CARE PROGRAMS IN SUPPORT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE SHAMALAN AND OTHER PROJECT AREAS OF THE HELMAND-ARGHANDAB VALLEY REGION (HAVR)

The Royal Government of Afghanistan and CARE agree to cooperate on programs to foster rural development in the HAVR as follows:

- 1. Projects undertaken under the terms of this agreement will be mutually agreed upon by both parties by appropriate exchanges of letters between the Helmand-Arghandab Valley Authority (HAVA) and CARE,
- 2. A principal aim of this agreement is to provide CARE's assistance to the HAVA in devising and carrying out programs for the care and welfare of persons in the Shamalan area during the construction and land consolidation phases of the Shamalan Land Development Project (SLDP).
- 3. It is also agreed as a major purpose of this agreement that HAVA and CARE will cooperate on other programs and projects designed to foster rural health, rural education and social development, both in the Shamalan and in other project areas of HAVR.
 - 4. In support of these aims, CARE shall:
- a. Provide a resident Administrative Representative in the HAVR who shall be responsible for overall supervision and direction of CARE programming, logistics, and administration.
- b. Acquire food commodities, and to administer the distribution of such commodities to employ constructively temporarily unemployed persons

in the HAVR. First priority will be given to farmers and tenants whose work has been interrupted as a result of construction under the SLDP.

- c. Assist HAVA in the organization and administration of useful food-for-work projects, to include school construction and housing, repair and maintenance of HAVA irrigation and drainage facilities, rural domestic water supplies, and such other food-for-work projects as may be mutually agreed.
- d. Assist HAVA in the development of facilities and programs designed to foster rural education and training, rural health, rural water supplies, and such other rural development activities as may be mutually agreed; seek to provide tools, equipment, and supplies in support of such development activities.
- e. Provide a Public Health doctor to assist and advise local authorities on rural health development, including family guidance and nutrition; on the basis of need and availability, provide visiting specialists in support of rural and public health activities for periods of approximately four weeks; as in the past, provide training aids, medical supplies, drugs, and related commodities and equipment in support of rural and public health programs and projects.
 - 5. In support of the aims of this agreement, HAVA will:
- a. Assure active support and cooperation of HAVA and other Government officials to the CARE Administrative Representative in the development of mutually agreed programs and projects.
 - b. Cover the costs of in-country transportation of all commodities,

supplies and equipment imported and otherwise secured for these programs and projects by CARE.

- c. Provide suitable office space, housing, furniture, and utilities for all U.S. and Canadian CARE personnel resident in the HAVR pursuant to this agreement.
- d. Provide adequate warehousing facilities for development and self-help tools, equipment, and other commodities as may be imported or purchased, or otherwise secured by CARE for programs under this agreement. CARE supplies will be stored separate from other supplies and remain under the direct supervision and control of CARE until their final distribution.
- 6. To the extent that CARE is unable to provide assistance as outlined in paragraph 3, the contributions of the Royal Government of Afghanistan in support of these programs would be reduced proportionally.
- 7. HAVA, in a separate protocol with USAID/Afghanistan, has arranged for provision of vehicle support, maintenance, and operations; and for maintenance of HAVA housing provided for resident CARE personnel.
- 8. This agreement is in conformity with the basic agreement between the Royal Government of Afghanistan and CARE, dated March 4th, 1961, as amended; all rights and privileges mentioned therein apply and remain in effect.
- 9. The plan of operations for the first two years is attached, with the calculation of annual contributions.

Att:a/s

CARE/HAVA OPERATION PIAN FOR 1351 AND 1352

As the Shamalan Land Betterment Project consists of the construction and development of a modern irrigation system in the Shamalan region of the Helmand River Valley, CARE and HAVA are agreeing to support the development program as follows:

- 1. Food for Work. It is envisaged that the Shamalan Project will require four to five years of construction activity and the temporary employment of agricultural workers and farmers, numbering an estimated h,000 persons. In addition, it is envisaged that Food for Work (FFW) projects would be developed in other project areas, totaling employment of about 6,000 persons in these areas. Wheat requirements for payment for work are estimated at 1,500 metric tons per year. In 1351 and 1352, CARE will seek arrangements for the importation of 1,500 tons per year of wheat. Costs of in-country transportation to be borne by HAVA are estimated at 800 Afs per ton, or 1,200,000 Afs per year. HAVA will also provide necessary storage facilities. The approximate value of the wheat is about 8 million Afs per 1,000 tons. CARE will provide a full time administrator to manage this program, as well as to the administer the over-all CARE activities under the agreement.
- 2. Shamalan. In addition to the work's program, CARE and HAVA will cooperate in the development of agriculture, rural health, and rural education in the Shamalan. CARE expects to assist in village water supply

and provide commodities (such as seed, tools, and implements) which may be needed in support of the HAVA Shamalan Farm Development Program in 1351 and 1352.

- CARE will also plan to send visiting medical specialists to serve in the Lashkar Gah Hospital at the rate of at least five specialists per year; each specialist to work for a period of approximately one month. The number of visiting specialists could amount to as many as ten or eleven per year. In 1351 and 1352, CARE will assist HAVA in the establishment of rural health centers in the Shamalan and in at least one of the other areas (Darweshan, Khanashin, Marja, or Nad-i-Ali) where centers are planned during the next four years. The rural public health programs to be developed will include mutrition, sanitation, family guidance, and preventive medicine.
- h. Development of a Program of Rural Education. In addition, CARE will assist in the construction of primary schools in the Shamalan and operation and improvement of the 22 HAVA schools. HAVA's plan envisages construction of primary schools every six kilometers in the Shamalan. A pilot program for literacy training in ten villages is planned to be expanded gradually to cover 150 villages by 1355. CARE will provide, through the Food for Work Program, administrative support and technical competence in the development of the school construction program. CARE will also plan to cooperate in the development of the literacy program through provision of teaching aids and materials.

HAVA will provide necessary building materials for the construction of schools.

5. In support of the above described program, the minimum yearly inputs by participating agencies would be as follows:

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	In-country storage and transportation of all commodities to which CARE holds title	Afs 1,200,000 (Est.
	HAVA contribution (to be deposited in a trust fund) towards support of two (2) CARE technical specialists. (Shamalan Development Budget)	1,800,000
	Office space for three (3) CARE personnel	10,000
	Two (2) furnished houses for CARE personnel	96,000
	Equipment and supplies for rural clinic	400,000
	Estimated need for ten (10) medical and para-medical personnel for rural clinics	pm.
	Counterpart technical and administrative personnel for Food for Work construction project TOTAL	pm. Afs 3,906,000
	CARE	
	Approximately 1,500 tons of wheat	Afs 12,000,000
1	One (1) full time Public Health Specialist and one (1) full time CARE Administrator for Food for Work and	
	self-help projects	1,600,000
}	Educational materials	200,,000
	Public health and hospital supplies	1,200,000

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Farm materials and supplies

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CARE/Medico visiting specialists at the rate of five (5) per year

TOTAL

1,800,000 Afa 16,800,000

The USAID Mission to Afghanistan has separately agreed to provide support for the CARE/HAVA Program in the form of two vehicles plus operating and maintenance costs of the vehicles and housing for CARE personnel. This support is valued at Afs 400,000 per year.

The benefit cost ratio, based on the above listed minimum contributions, is about 4.5 to 1.

It is understood that the above listed contributions by CARE are minimum commitments and do not constitute a limit on CARE support of specific projects during the course of this agreement.