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Dear Mr. Knoblauch:

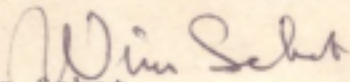
Many thanks for your letter of the 18th September 1980 on the CAREF financial situation, to which I have the following remarks:

1. Your budget for 1980 was approved for listing, but Mrs. Saitzew never said in her letter of 22 October 1979 that CICARWS was guaranteeing US\$300,000 for 1980. On the contrary, when you read her letter again, you will see that she warned you especially not to count on the money.
2. From your report I understand that you carry forward from 1979, \$42,350, plus new funds received, US\$225,000 and an amount of \$150,000 has been "blocked". This would only leave \$117,350 to be used for the period of January/September 1980, plus a loan from UNHCR of \$8,900. You ask for a further \$55,000 for the months of October-December 1980. You would then have spend \$172,350 for the year 1980 against your budget of US\$300,000.
3. What I do not understand is why you asked for US\$75,000 in April (quite some time after the misinvestment was made and had been known) and put this amount again in the pool of misinvested funds. If we had been warned in March we could have sent the funds to you directly. Are any funds of UNHCR also in the blocked funds and if not why not?
4. We have today cabled US\$25,000 for October and will hopefully have enough funds to advance you a further \$30,000 for November/December. There will be no funds available to send to you for 1981 until January 1981. So the December money will have to be used partly in January.
5. How much have you spent until the end of September for

Indochinese and how much will you spend in addition until the end of the year.

Wishing you strength in the difficult circumstances.

Sincerely yours,


Wim Schot
CICARWS
Finance Officer

cc: Mercedes Saitzew

