

Annex I

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Dear Dr Rabuffetti,

Thank you for your letter, concerning the three workshops/conferences on "the 1997-1998 El Niño: Impacts and Potential Applications for Diagnostic and Predictive Information in South America," dated 5 September 1997, and co-signed by Ms Lisa Farrow.

In this atmosphere of heightened public awareness and concern associated with the current El Niño, it is important to promote cooperation between providers of operational climate information and prediction services, climate researchers, government representatives and primary users. I believe the conferences will be excellent venues to promote the recognition of the significant socio-economic contributions that can accrue from such cooperation.

I am pleased, therefore, to inform you that WMO will co-sponsor the first of the proposed conferences, to be held in Lima, Peru 28-30 October 1997 and will provide the sum of SFR 5,000 for your use in supporting appropriate representation to this conference.

Consideration will be given to co-sponsoring the following two conferences when dates and locations have been finalized.

I wish you success in this endeavour.

Yours sincerely,

(G.O.P. Obasi)  
Secretary-General