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Secretaryship of the Institute

MEMBERS of the Institute will be sorry to learn that Mrs. Hardcastle resigned the Secretaryship at the end of April 1972 as she was expecting a child in June. They will join the Officers in wishing her every happiness in the future and in thanking her for her valuable contribution to the work of the Institute over the past four years.

Mr. Basil Wheeler, who has succeeded Mrs. Hardcastle as Secretary, was formerly Assistant Secretary of the British Inter-University Council and served in the Uganda Administrative Service for eleven years.

Eleventh International African Seminar on Modern Migrations in Western Africa, Dakar, April 1972

THE eleventh International African Seminar organized by the International African Institute in collaboration with the African Institute for Economic Planning and Development (IDEP), under the Chairmanship of Professor Samir Amin, Director of IDEP, was attended by over thirty participants and observers. The themes for this seminar on Modern Migrations in Western Africa were worked out jointly by the IAI and IDEP as follows:

- 1. Demographic studies of migration from census and other data. Further categories of economic data needed for economic and social studies of migratory movements, e.g. occupational categories; age and sex structure.
- 2. Variations in scale, distance, duration, etc. of migration of various types (rural-urban, rural-rural, and urban-urban) and their variable combination and significance in relation to specific conditions of development.
- 3. Social relations of migrant populations (a) with their home areas; conditions and degrees of continued integration; modes of inter-communication and influence, economic and political problems in the home areas; and (b) with their host communities; cultural, economic, and political factors influencing relations between migrants and hosts.
- 4. Valuations and expectations concerning rural and urban environments on the part of migrants; the modification of attitudes and objectives over the life-cycle.
- 5. Inter-relations between levels of migration, labour supply, wage rates, unemployment, etc. in urban centres.
- 6. The impact of different types of migration on the national economy and economic planning.
- 7. Government measures and conflicting interests of sending and receiving countries. Short research papers by participants, prepared for consideration before the meeting, included the following:
 - Dr. N. O. Addo (U. of Ghana): Differential rural migration in Ghana.
 - Mr. J. Ademako-Sarfo (UST, Kumasi): Effects of the expulsion of migrant workers on Ghana's economy.
 - Mr. J. A. Adepoju (U. of Ife): Oshogbo migrants in the Western State of Nigeria.
 - M. A. Ahianyo-Akakpo (INRS, Lomé): L'impact des migrations sur la société villageoise (Togo).

- Mr. P. A. Cornelisse (Nederlandse Economische Hogeschool, Rotterdam): An economic view of migration in West Africa.
- M. R. Deniel (INADES, Abidjan): Mesures gouvernementales et/ou intérêts divergents des pays exportateurs de main-d'œuvre et des pays hôtes.
- Mme E. Dessauze (IDEP): L'émigration sarakollaise.
- M. I. Diallo (IDEP): Migrations entre le Sénégal et la Gambie.
- Mme A. Diarro (IDEP): Les hommes et les femmes et les migrations zarma.
- Dr. A. Diop (IFAN, Dakar): Les migrants Tukuloors.
- M. B. S. Fofana (IDEP): Migrations dans les pays de l'OERS.
- Dr. A. D. Goddard (U. of Liverpool): Population movements in the Sokoto close-settled Zone, Northern Nigeria.
- Dr. L. Green (U. of Witwatersrand): Migration, urbanization and national development in Nigeria.
- Mr. J. Gregory (Cornell U.): Development and in-migration in Upper Volta.
- M. P. Haeringer (Orstom, Abidjan): Cheminements migratoires maliens, voltaïques et nigériens en Côte d'Ivoire.
- Dr. K. Hart (U. of Manchester): Migration and the opportunity structure: a Ghanaian case study.
- Dr. S. O. Imoagene (U. of Ibadan): Some sociological aspects of migration in West Africa.
- Mr. T. K. Kumekpor (U. of Ghana): Migration in Togo.
- M. E. N'doye (IDEP): Migrations des pionniers mourides.
- Dr. O. Oloko (U. of Lagos): Migration and worker commitment to industrial employment in Nigeria.
- Mr. P. O. Olusanya (U. of Ife): Socio-economic disparities and internal migration among the Yoruba.
- Mrs. K. A. Patel (ILO, Geneva): The position and working conditions of migrants in Africa.
- Mme E. Pestana-Andrade (IDEP): Migrations capverdiennes à Dakar.
- Dr. M. Piault (CNRS, Paris): Une association spontanée de migrants de Ghana: l'UFEC en 1958.
- Dr. R. H. Sabot (U. of Dar es Salaam): Urban migration in Tanzania.
- Mm. A. Songre et J. Savadogo (Service de la main-d'œuvre, Ouagadougou): Les effets de l'émigration massive des Voltaïques.
- Dr. R. K. Udo (U. of Ibadan): Social relations of rural-rural migrants with their host communities in Southern Nigeria.

A book which will review the discussions at the seminar and include relevant material from the research papers is in preparation under the editorship of Professor Samir Amin.

Institute of African Studies, University of Ghana, Legon

An interdisciplinary seminar on the theme Rural and Urban Family Life in West Africa was held at the Institute of African Studies of the University of Ghana, Legon from 21 to 25 June 1972. Over thirty participants, working in the fields of anthropology, sociology, economics, demography, law, linguistics, education, home science, psychology, and social welfare made contributions. An important function of the meeting was to bring together a number of people who have recently been working on similar kinds of research problems. It is envisaged that the papers will be grouped for publication into a number of sections including Reform and Welfare, Descent and Property, Residential Patterns, Migration and Change, and Attitudes and Expectations. Guest participants were drawn from the Institut National de la Recherche Scientifique and ORSTOM Lomé and from the Universities of Lagos, Manchester, Edinburgh, and Cambridge.