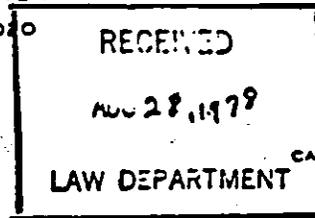


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Memorandum for Messrs. Ahrensfeld  
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Enclosed are copies of Dr. Rao's proposals for research for the year beginning October 1, 1978, together with the review of Smoking in Pregnancy and the Report of Work Carried Out From October 1, 1977 to March 31, 1978 referred to in the proposals. In the year up to October 1, 1978, support for Dr. Rao through Special Account #4 was approved in the amount of \$25,000. The new proposal asks for \$30,000, as detailed on the last page of the proposals. I have discussed these with Bill Shinn and although he has not yet seen the proposals, we are agreed that Dr. Rao should receive continuing support.

As you may recall, Dr. Rao's work, investigating lung cancer as an endocrine disease, was supported as a CTR Special Project for about three years prior to last year. That work culminated in a paper delivered by Dr. Rao at the Third International Symposium on the Detection and Prevention of Cancer held in New York in the Spring of 1976. At that time, he gave a final report orally to the CTR. His subsequent work has been under this Special Account #4 funding and, as noted in his six months report, is focused primarily on smoking and pregnancy, a focus he proposes to continue.

I expect to see Dr. Rao in September and, accordingly, would very much appreciate it if your approval for continuation of his work, if you do so approve, could be had before Friday, September 8th.

  
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cc: William W. Shinn, Esq.

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